

**Christ the Lord Church**  
**Sunday service: 10 am on Zoom**  
**E-news You can Use!**

— for the week of Dec. 31, 2020 - Jan. 7, 2021 —

**Happy New Year!!** Praise the Lord that 2020 is just about over! And we are blessed that our congregation has pulled together through the difficulties of the pandemic and other crises as they arose. We thank God for our individual blessings and continue to pray for the frontline/essential personnel who work to preserve the health and safety of us all.

**Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021, 10 am service:** morning prayer on Zoom with virtual Coffee Hour following. We're back on our usual schedule!

**"Growing Together" free online program starts January 14:** CTL has registered for this free program, toolkit, and community building resource, designed for churches. Over 5 sessions, program participants engage in compassionate dialogue about how we can embody the love of God as vessels of environmental healing, restorative justice, and resilient hope in our churches, homes, and communities. This series is designed for all members of the congregation, takes place over Zoom, and will be facilitated.

**Session 1 - Intro: Faith, Science & Creation Care - Jan. 14, 7:00 pm**

Developed alongside advisors at Yale's Forum on Religion and Ecology and Oxford University's Laudato Si' Institute, the Growing Together Program connects the dots between faith, science, and creation care. This program welcomes people from all parts of the Christian family. The program consists of 5 1-hr sessions, 1 session per month, January - May 2021. For more information and to register please go to <https://creationcarecollective.com/growingtogether/>

**Marguerite Febus asks our help to save Anne's home in Haiti:**

One of our dear previous CTL members asks our help for a family she loves and supports in Haiti. Their home has been seriously damaged by recurring flood waters. Please see their story at the Go Fund Me page that Marguerite has set up: <https://gf.me/u/zb4cus>  
Any donation is very much appreciated.

**Christ the Lord Church Office Hours:**

Rev. Lois Williams: none until Shelter-in-Place is lifted  
(but you may always call or text her at 408-655-3084)

**Want to know "Why You Can't Meet God over Zoom"?** Check out this article recommended by Deacon Kate:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/12/24/opinion/zoom-church-christmas-covid-loss.html?referringSource=articleShare>

**Pastoral visits:** Rev. Lois is available for either in-person (outside with masks) or Zoom online pastoral visits. Please email or text her (408-655-3084) to set a date, time, & location for your visit.

**Thanks for returning CTL's stewardship forms!** The Stewardship Committee thanks all those who have returned their pledge and time/talent forms - we really appreciate your response! Of course, it's not too late to send these in! Just put the completed forms in the envelope addressed to CTL and drop it in a mailbox!

**Yes, you may use our new online donation site to make your pledge payment.** Our online giving platform is able to receive your donations & pledge payments to support CTL and our various ministries. <https://christthelord.gvtls.com>

You may pay directly from your bank account (no charge to you or the church for that), or you may pay from a credit card (there is a charge which you may choose to pay, if you wish).

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and she will try to help.

