

Christ the Lord Church Office Hours

Sandy: Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 12:30pm
(please call first if you need to meet with Sandy)

Sunday Service 10AM
CTL ENews for March 23 - 30, 2023

Please contact Elaine Brady, Editor, ebrady629@aol.com contributions/edits to the ENews

March

Saturday, March 25...

- Community Clean-Up: Friends of Pinole Creek Watershed (FOPCW) members will join Pinole Valley High School (PVHS) Earth Team members and community volunteers; meet behind Sprouts Market at 10am

April

Sunday, April 2...

- Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 6...

- Maundy Thursday; evening service at 7pm with washing of the feet; no Eucharist

Friday, April 7...

- Good Friday; afternoon prayer time Noon-3; evening prayer service 7pm

Saturday, April 8...

- Rev Lois will be doing an Easter prayer service at Noon for a care home in Vallejo. Please let her know if you would like to assist.

Sunday, April 9...

- Easter Sunday. We will have a special Brunch Potluck fellowship after service on this day. (See article for more info.) The Virtual Pancake fundraiser for the Contra Costa & Solano Food Bank ends; raffle prizes awarded to some lucky CTL donors.

Sunday, April 15...

- Bishop's committee meeting at 2pm via Zoom

Lenten Message from our Priest

Rev. Dr. Lois Williams

Followers of Jesus,

For those who use this Lenten time as a time to reflect and shed those things that no longer serve a positive place in our lives, I remind you of the beautiful and

sacred sacrament the Episcopal Church offers specifically at this time. The

Rite of Reconciliation is a time one on one with your priest to reflect, confess,

and release those things that are holding you back on your spiritual journey.

Feel free to schedule an appointment.

Rev. Dr. Lois Williams.

Christ the Lord Episcopal Church Pinole/
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This Lenten season as we learn of farm worker struggles, immigrant issues and racial biases still in our communities today, our readings for Lent will include reflections from Oscar Romero and our call to a Holy Lent with thought words and actions as a way of remembering how those before us have worked on these issues and how we need to continue in that work for Justice.

Rev. Dr. Lois

Senior Warden Corner: Online

Anti-Racism training; I have completed this training and I highly recommend it to all of you. All BC members must complete it, but it is optional for the rest of the congregation. I found the course insightful, provocative and informative. However, it is very long. There are 6 parts of 30 minutes each. But you can always stop and resume where you left off. This is a free anti-racism training that anyone can take at their own pace.

[Please check out the link and take this great training](#) for the Episcopal church.

Lenten Study Guides are Here! Printed versions for "Living Well Through Lent: Practicing Compassion..." are now available in the narthex. They are free so please take one. The

guide includes daily readings and devotionals.

QR code scams are on the rise. CTL members should only use a QR code if they trust the source!

<https://www.aura.com/learn/fake-qr-code-scams>

Sandy will be out of the office April 14-May 15. CTL members will be filling in for her while she recuperates. Sandy is the CPU of CTL!

Easter Sunday Brunch Potluck: Please bring homemade or purchased sweet or savory finger foods. 10-12 individually wrapped or packaged servings. Juices or other beverages are great too. If you have any questions or want help that day please call Trisha Finnegan

The "Ark" Birthday/Special Intentions Bank 2023 donations will be given to the Heifer Project.

Donations and pledge payments to support CTL and our various ministries may be given at <https://christthelord.gvtls.com>, or by sending a check to the church. Remember you can always give to charities of your choice at any time.

Would you like to help bring communion to elders in assisted living? Rev. Lois takes communion to residents of Piedmont Gardens in Oakland once a month. Anyone wishing to join her in this outreach service is welcome, either for 1 visit or more. Carpooling is possible; please contact Re. Lois.

Homebound Communion for CTL

If you're following our church service on Zoom and would like me to bring you the communion elements -

the bread and wine/grape juice, please let me know. Let me know if you prefer grape juice or wine. I'm also a Eucharistic visitor, which means I can perform a service in your home and receive communion as part of it.. Elaine Glimme (510) 859-5317 or

Elaine_Glimme@comcast.net

March - 1st Sunday Special Collection is for the Priest's Discretionary Fund. This is used mainly to help support our CTL members in need.

It's that time of year again for our Plant and Jewelry Sale

Save the date, Saturday, May 6 from 10am -2pm. Get ready for our special spring fundraiser. Last year we raised over \$2,000. Start planting and collecting plants as well as garden accessories. It's time to do spring cleaning of old costume jewelry you no longer wear. I'm looking for volunteers to work the various needs of this successful CTL fundraiser. Please contact Elaine Brady if you would like to help in any way, especially with sorting, pricing, displaying, setup and cleanup. Many hands make the work light. Thank you for your support.

Shrove Tuesday No-Bake Pancake

Fundraiser continues to support the Contra Costa and Solano County Food Bank throughout the season of Lent. If we reach \$500 in donations, an anonymous donor will match the funds. Tickets are 1 for \$5.00 or 2 for \$10. Purchase tickets from Susan Gallegos on Sundays during Lent. There will be fun raffle drawing on Easter Sunday for some lucky CTL members. Susan will provide information on various Sundays during announcements about how the Food Bank supports our community.

Food Bank Info: www.foodbankccs.org/findfood
1-855-309-3663 (Toll Free)

QR code available in the Narthex.

LaCasita Report. The fallen tree has been removed and the fence is in the process of being repaired. LaCasita follows the WCCUSD 2023 calendar for Easter break. They will be closed Holy Week, April 3-7, and will reopen on Monday, April 10. They will be having an open house on Saturday, March 25 from 10am -2pm.