Christ the Lord Church Office Hours

Sandy: Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Sunday Service 10AM CTL eNews for August 28 - Sept 4, 2024

Please contact Elaine Brady <u>elaine.brady592ctl@gmail.com</u> for contributions to the eNews If you would like something to be included in the E-news please contact Elaine

September 2024

<u>Sunday, Sept, 1</u>-10 am Worship Service <u>Monday, Sept 2</u>- Labor Day Holiday. Church office closed

<u>Thursday, Sept. 5 -</u> 6:30-8:30 pm Bishop Rios Strategic Vision Listening Session. St. Stephen's, Orinda (See article and attachment)

Sunday, Sept. 8 - 10 am Worship Service

<u>Saturday, Sept 14</u>-2pm Creativity Unlimited (see article)

<u>Sunday, Sept. 15</u> 10 am Morning Prayer -Rev. Lois is out of town.

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

The "Ark" Birthday/Special Intentions Bank 2024 donations go to "Doctors Without Borders".

The September 2024 1st Sunday Donation Recipient is the Episcopal Impact Fund (they provide services for family-centered shelters, addiction recovery services, help for at-risk seniors, and case management services)

Visits with Rev. Lois - From July to September Lois will be available to schedule social visits with us. Visits can be scheduled for after 5 pm on weekdays and after 10 am on Saturdays. Please text or call either Sandy

October 2024

- <u>Saturday, Oct 5, 4:30-6:30 pm</u> -Italian Dinner Extravaganza at CTL
- <u>Sunday, Oct 6</u> Pet memorial at 10am worship
- <u>Saturday, Oct 12 -</u> 11 am Trisha Finnegan memorial service
- <u>Saturday, Oct 19 -</u> 11 am Graham Portis memorial service
- <u>Friday, Oct 25 and Saturday, Oct 26 -</u> Diocesan Convention, San Francisco

 $(510\mathchar`-691\mathchar`-0310)$ or Lois (408-655-3084) to schedule a visit.

Homebound Communion for CTL members

We have a Eucharistic visitor who will bring the communion elements (bread/wine/juice) and/or also do a service in your home. Please contact Elaine Glimme (510) 859-5317 or ElaineGlimme@comcast.net

Creativity Unlimited takes place every 2nd Saturday of the month. All are welcome. New project: "My Story." Meetings are at the home of Elaine Glimme. Please contact her for more info. (510) 859-5317.

Next Creativity Group meeting at Elaine's is September 14, by popular request (everyone at my house last time) Tony Ma will teach us how to propagate plants. Should be interesting and a lot of fun. We'll go back to working on our memoirs "My Story" in October.

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Fellowship & Hospitality - This is a lovely tradition for us to continue and enjoy. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex and choose a day that works for you to share your CTL spirit.

2024 Bishop's Committee: Please contact a Committee member if you would like to have a specific item addressed at one of the monthly Committee meetings. All congregation members are welcome to attend the monthly meetings, which are held on Zoom at 2 pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Contact Sandy to get Zoom access information.

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Prayer List

O Lord, please remember friends and family for whom we now pray. Comfort them and ease their suffering. Bless them with Your loving care, renew their strength, and provide comfort. We ask this in Your holy name. Amen.

<u>8/20/2024</u> Graham Portis, RIP. Graham died yesterday and was a previous member of CTL. According to Rev. Lois his family remembers the old barn being torn down, although they haven't attended CTL recently. Requesting prayers for Graham's soul, and comfort for his wife Jean and Portis family.

<u>8/20/2024</u> Healing prayers for Jeanne Walpole. She took a fall down some steps a few days ago and injured her knee. Thanks to neighbors and friends she is feeling better, and has the help she needs. She is walking gingerly on crutches at this point. She would appreciate prayers for healing; but please, no phone calls - she is trying to rest up.

<u>8/1/2024</u> Trisha Finnegan, RIP. Trisha passed away peacefully in her sleep on August 1. Several people have asked about contacting Vanessa she, along with Alastair and Maybelle, is currently on vacation in Washington state. I do not know if she will cut her vacation short. At this time, cards and emails would, I think, be gratefully accepted. Vanessa's email address is vcc541@gmail.com.

Bishop Austin has invited us all, throughout the diocese, to pray for and attend (either in-person or virtually) one of the **Listening Sessions** planned to gather our opinions, thoughts and suggestions in planning for the future of the Diocese of California. If you were in church or heard the livestream on August 11, this letter was read in place of the sermon. The letter was attached with last week's eNews.

Please review the letter and prayerfully consider attending one of the planned Listening Sessions mentioned. The closest one to us will be at **St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Orinda on Thursday, Sept. 5 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.** If you are interested in attending, please contact Sandy at the CTL office and we'll set up carpools for that evening.

Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County

<u>September 2024</u> - Healthy Democracy Workshop <u>October 2024 -</u> Constructive Conversations and Restorative Practices Workshop

For more details and information about Interfaith Council events, please contact Christine Nadeau christinenadeau50@yahoo.com or 510-275-3341.