Christ the Lord Church Office Hours

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

Sunday Service 10AM CTL eNews for Dec 5 - 11, 2024

Please contact Sandy at ctl.welcomel@gmail.com for contributions to the eNews If you would like something to be included in the E-news please contact Elaine

December 2024

Friday, Dec 6 4-6 pm Potluck dinner St. Clements, Berkeley (see the article).

Sunday, Dec 8 Worship 10am

<u>Tuesday, Dec 10 Advent Class-</u>6:30 pm via Zoom.

<u>Saturday, Dec. 14 - Creativity Unlimited</u> 2 pm at Elaine Glimme's home.

Sunday, Dec 15- Worship 10am

<u>Tuesday, Dec 17 - Advent class -</u> 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Sunday, Dec 22- Worship 10am

<u>Tuesday, Dec 24 - Christmas Eve -</u> 7:30 pm carol sing; 8:00 pm worship

<u>Wed., Dec 25 - Christmas Day -</u> 10am Worship

Sunday, Dec 29 - Lessons & Carols - 10 am

January 2025

Sunday, Jan 5 - Worship 10am

<u>Stewardship season</u>:Please return your completed pledge form as soon as possible, so that we can prepare the 2025 budget during December.

Advent Scripture Class: A study incorporating Lectio divina (prayer, meditation) will be offered by Rev. Lois on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm by Zoom, starting Dec. 3. Contact Sandy to receive the Zoom link.



Potluck dinner at St. Clement's in Berkeley- Friday, Dec. 6 from 4-6 pm. We will organize carpools to get CTL'ers to and from St. Clement's. Please see the flier attached with this newsletter for

more information about the event. There will be a carpool sign-up sheet in the CTL narthex. There will be episcopalians from far and wide - join the fun for a meal, hymn-singing, and more!



Christmas project for CTL!

As you know, Rev. Lois is also a hospice chaplain and she has made known to us the need for special wheelchair blankets

that have fasteners, pockets, and even zippers, which are especially helpful to those with dementia. These blankets can be purchased on Amazon (look for Fidget Blankets) for about \$30, or for you knitters, Rev. Lois has a pattern for the type of blanket needed. You can also donate any amount to CTL to purchase blankets, just be sure to designate Christmas blankets. Rev. Lois will be arranging the distribution of the blankets before Christmas, so this is a wonderful way to spread Christmas cheer.

Calling all volunteers! The Interfaith Council of Contra Costa has scheduled needed holiday serving a luncheon, or preparing welcome baskets for families starting a new life. Join with members of other faith communities in the county in helping our neighbors. For more info, see the PDF below or contact Christine Nadeau, 510-275-3341 or christinenadeau50@yahoo.com

<u>1st Sunday Special Donation</u> - In December, our special donations go to the Sabbatical Relief Fund (which allows us to pay supply priests when Lois is on sabbatic leave.)



Fellowship & Hospitality - Needs help! This is a lovely tradition to continue and enjoy! However, we need people to assist with set-up and clean-up. Please check the sign-up sheet in the Narthex and choose a day that works for you to share your CTL spirit!

Creativity Unlimited takes place every 2nd Saturday of the month. All are welcome. Meetings are at the home of Elaine Glimme. Please contact her for more info. (510) 859-5317. Next Creativity Unlimited is December 14 at 2pm

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

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.

projects at Hope Solutions and Food for Thought, such as food packing and delivery, preparing and

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Christine Nadeau (Treasurer) 510-275-3341 Sandy McNeel (Clerk) 510-691-0310

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

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.

Continued healing prayers for *Ted Rich, Kathy Cleberg, Jeanne Walpole, Chris Johnson, Sally Cash and Linda Morgan.*

Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County

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