Christ the Lord Church Office Hours

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

Sandy will be out of the office April 14-May 15.

CTL members will be filling in for her while she recuperates.

Sunday Service 10AM

CTL ENews for March 30 - April 6, 2023

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

April

Sunday, April 2...

• Palm Sunday-10 am Passion service

Thursday, April 6...

 Maundy Thursday; evening service at 7pm with washing of the feet; Eucharist

Friday, April 7...

 Good Friday; afternoon individual meditation time Noon-3pm;Taize evening service 7pm

Saturday, April 8...

 Rev Lois will be doing an Easter service at 1pm at Heartwood Nursing Facility, 1044 Heartwood Ave, 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. The Virtual Pancake fundraiser for the Contra Costa & Solano Food Bank ends; raffle prizes awarded to some lucky CTL donors. (See articles for more info.)

Sunday, April 15...

• Bishop's committee meeting at 2pm via Zoom

Saturday, April 22...

• Earth Day Events for Pinole (See article)

May

Saturday, May 6...

• Plant and Jewelry Sale (*See article*) Saturday May 20...

• Memorial Service for CTL members 11am (See article)

Sunday, May 21...

 Bishop's Committee Meeting 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/ Sutter Care At Home/Hospice Chaplain cell: 408-655-3804

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

Good Friday Donations: Donations collected at our Good Friday service are used to support the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem. This year our donations will be used to support the Jerusalem Princess Basma Center's Mother Empowerment Program, which offers critical support to Palestinian families of children with disabilities from across the West Bank and Gaza. (See insert for more details.) **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 pleasse 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 <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.

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 would like me to bring the communion elements - the bread and wine/grape juice, to your house, please let me know.. I'm also a Eucharistic visitor and can perform a service in your home and receive communion as part of it.. Elaine Glimme (510) 859-5317or Elaine Glimme@comcast.net

April - 1st Sunday Special Collection is for CTL Veterans" activities.

It's that time of year again for our Plant and Jewelry Sale Save the date, Saturday, May 6 from 10am -2pm. Last year we raised over \$2,000 for CTL. Start planting and sorting plants as well as garden accessories such as statues, flower pots, tools, etc. This is a great time for spring cleaning of costume jewelry, hats, hair clips, scarves, clutches, and other small accessories. 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: <u>www.foodbankccs.org/findfood</u> 1-855-309-3663 (Toll Free)

QR code available in the Narthex.

LaCasita Report. They are closed Holy Week, April 3-7, and will reopen on Monday, April 10.

Karen Daughters would like people to use her cell number (510) 542-4512. She no longer will have a landline.

CTL Memorial Service Saturday, May 20 at 11am We will have a celebration of life/memorial for those we have lost and for various reasons were unable to celebrate these last few years. We want to provide a service for healing our grief and loss. If you wish to include someone for remembrance, please contact Sandy or Rev. Lois.

Earth Day Saturday, April 22 has our own Margaret Young chairing a portion of the day's activities sponsored by the City of Pinole. The City is setting up/taking down tables and chairs for Pinole Garden Club volunteers. The Gardne Club is bringing their own shade canopy. The purpose of the Club's participation is to encourage residents to plant seeds and beautify the City of Pinole. After the "Earth" Walk, there will be children's activities between 11-12:00 noon, and the Garden Club booth will encourage the children to plant a sunflower seed in a little peat pot and take it home. After it sprouts, they can plant the peat pot in their garden and watch it grow! Park visitors will also be encouraged to take home a free packet of seeds for their own gardens. We will visit with folks about the benefits of having a garden, and growing flowers, veggies, and trees in their yards. We will have membership pamphlets available to hand to interested parties. This will be fun...if it ever stops raining, and we get some sun and warmer weather! This is a new event for the City...very low-key, but a very nice way to get folks to start thinking of ways they can help the planet!