

Christ Lutheran Church

Germantown, Maryland

Epistle To The Saints

September, 2021

Service at 10:30 AM each Sunday

- Monday, September 6th-Labor Day
- Sunday, September 12th-Adult/Children's Sunday School 9:30AM



For it is written:

*“AS I LIVE, SAYS THE LORD, TO ME EVERY KNEE WILL BOW,
AND EVERY TONGUE WILL GIVE PRAISE TO GOD.”*

-Romans 14:11

Welcome!

To view the livestream of our services, go to the church Facebook page (Christ Lutheran Church AALC) or go to our website (christlutheranofgermantown.org) and click the link at the bottom of the first page. Once on the FB page click the “videos” tab. Bulletins for our services are on the website.

What Can I Do?

With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints, and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in proclaiming it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. – Ephesians 6:10–20

In our lives we also face many challenges. On the world stage we continue to suffer the effects of the pandemic. We face news from the situation in Afghanistan and we feel the shockwaves of that conflict on our shores and in our communities. But even on the seemingly smaller stage of our everyday lives we struggle with loved ones who will not believe God’s word. We face ill health that prevents us from doing what we love or even leaves us hospitalized or immobilized. Faced with such great troubles we often wonder, “What can I DO?” What can we do in the face of such seemingly insurmountable obstacles?

But instead of asking, “What can I DO?” in despair, by God’s grace we can ask, “What CAN I do?” Paul was in dire straits when he wrote his letter to the Ephesians. He was in prison. But even in that situation he asked for the people’s prayers so that he would be bold to preach the gospel of Jesus. In prison there wasn’t much that Paul could do. He could write, or dictate, at least. He could speak to those who came to him, even preach to them. And he could pray. Even in chains Paul did not lose faith, but he did what he could for the sake of Christ and His church.

Paul’s words in the passage above follow his famous passage about the armor of God, the defenses God has granted us against evil and the only weapon we have: God’s word. But in the passage above Paul describes our battlefield. Our battlefield is prayer. Prayer is a great gift. In the face of our obstacles, whether we are healthy or ill, we can pray to God. We can pray for one another. Our world seems to despise prayer more and more as if it were nothing, but we know its power. Prayer is powerful because God hears us. And God hears us because He loves us. So let us pray without ceasing in all situations. Let us pray for our world, our loved ones, and ourselves. And let us not despair, but have faith, hope, and peace through the one who hears our prayers, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

–Pastor Abraham McNally

September Birthday

1st-Joyce Ballard
18th-Bruce Gladhill
19th-Laura Nichols
19th-Carly Nichols
21st-Carilee Layman

September Baptisms

1st-Anja Clarke
***Carol Bartels**
***Joyce Ballard**
 * Date unknown

PRAYER AND PRAISE

GLENN SHRIVER: Lord, we pray that you heal Glenn and give him comfort and peace.

IRVIN STAPF: Father, we thank you for your continued healing in Pastor Stapf.

LAURA NICHOLS: Father, we praise you for your continued healing in Laura.

NANCY GREGORY: Father, we ask you to be with Nancy and help her to feel comfort and peace, as well as Your love.

PASTOR CURTIS LEINS: Father, we thank you for Pastor Leins. We pray that you will keep him in your care and bless his work in Your name.

PASTOR ABRAHAM MCNALLY: We thank you Lord, for sending Pastor Abraham to us. Be with him as he continues to be a blessing to our congregation.

DIANNE WENTZELL: Lord Jesus, we pray that you heal Dianne and give her comfort.

CLYDE GIBSON: We thank you Father, for watching over and healing Clyde. Continue to bless and comfort him Lord.

NIGEL BROWN: Lord, be with Nigel as he completes his seminary studies.

FOR OUR CONGREGATION: Father, we ask your merciful goodness in providing us with the wisdom, discernment and courage to do Your will.

FOR OUR CHILDREN: Lord, keep each of them strong in You each day. Protect them and guide them in the plan that You have for each of them.

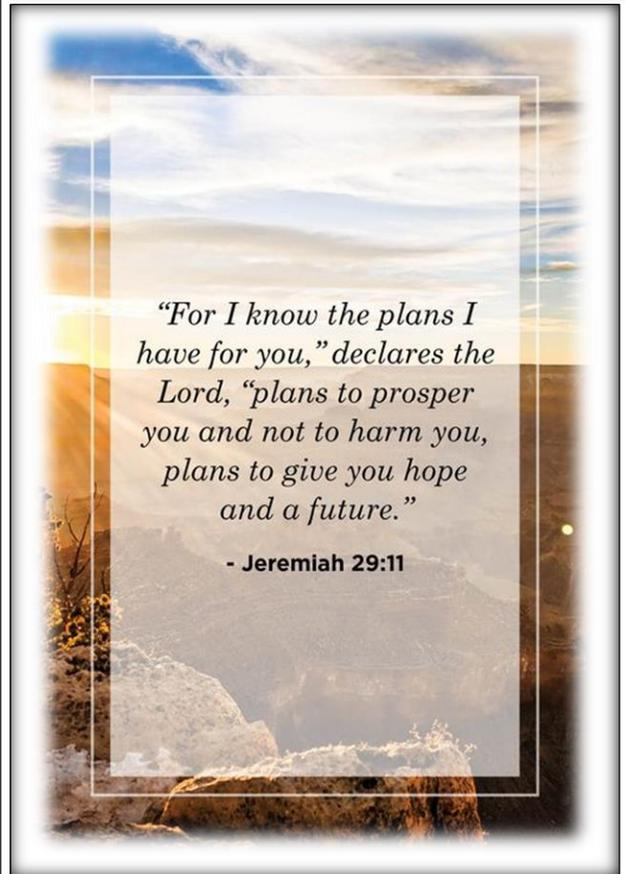
FOR OUR PASTORS: By the power and presence of the Holy Spirit, please uphold and help them stand firm in the truth of Your gracious word.

FOR THOSE SERVING AWAY FROM HOME: Father, please guide them in Your mercy and bless them with the fullness of Your love.



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Pastor McNally has our Facebook page looking great! Lots of wonderful information about our church, congregation, and news. Every week the service's video is posted.
AWESOME!



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We encourage you to provide Jeane with your comments and things that you think would add additional value to the site.



OMNIPRESENT

Omnipresent: Existing everywhere at once.

How many words can you make out of omnipresent?

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| 2. _____ | 12. _____ | 22. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 13. _____ | 23. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 14. _____ | 24. _____ |
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| 7. _____ | 17. _____ | 27. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 18. _____ | 28. _____ |
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| 10. _____ | 20. _____ | 30. _____ |

Thank you to everyone who participated in the school supply drive thru Faith Connections!! Kids are very happy to be back in the classroom this year and your donations will surely go a long way.

THANK



YOU!!!



Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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