

Christ Lutheran Church

Germantown, Maryland

Epistle To the Saints

October 2024

Sunday School at 9:30 AM

Service at 10:30 AM each Sunday

Monday, October 14th-Columbus Day

Sunday, October 20th-Church Council Meeting

Sunday, October 27th-**Reformation** Sunday

Thursday, October 31st-**Reformation** Day

*Saturday, November 2nd-Harvest Party

RE•FORMATION
THEN • NOW • ALWAYS

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil,

to give you a future and a hope.

~Jeremiah 29:11

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

MERYL BENENATI: *Lord, we thank you for your continued healing in Meryl.*

BOB PETERSEN: *Father, we thank you for watching over Bob. We ask that you continue to heal him and ease his pain.*

JOE FLESCH: *Father, we praise and thank you for being with Joe. We ask that you be with Joe as he continues physical therapy. We pray for your comfort and continued healing.*

BECKY STAPF: *Lord, we thank you for Becky's successful surgery. Be with her as she continues physical therapy.*

REVEREND DR. CAREY LARSON: *Father, we thank you for Reverend Larson. We pray that you will keep him in your care and bless his work in Your name.*

PASTOR SCOTT YOUNT: *Lord we ask that you bless Pastor Yount and his wife, Lena, as they faithfully serve you and spread the word of the Lord.*

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 OUR SEMINARY STUDENTS: *Father we ask that you be with Chris Clarke as he prepare to join the ministry.*

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



Like us on Facebook!



Christ Lutheran Church AALC

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



christlutheranofgermantown.org

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



We are still looking for a Preschool Sunday School Teacher!! We are looking for someone to share this position with Carolyn. If you are interested, please see Chris, Jessica or Carolyn.

THANK YOU!!

REFORMATION

What does reformation mean?

The act or process of changing a religious, political, or societal institution for the better is called a reformation.

Who was Martin Luther?

Martin Luther was a German priest, theologian, author, hymnwriter, professor, and Augustinian friar. Martin Luther spent thirty-seven years as a Catholic, and twenty-six years as a Protestant. He was a loving husband and father of 6 children.

Born: November 10, 1483, Eisleben, Germany

Died: February 18, 1546 (age 62 years), Eisleben, Germany

Spouse: Katharina von Bora (m. 1525–1546)

Children: Margaretha Luther, Johannes Luther, Elisabeth Luther, Magdalena Luther, Paul Luther, Martin Luther

What did Martin Luther do?

On 31 October 1517 with the publication of the *Ninety-five Theses*, authored by Martin Luther. He was a Friar who wanted to reform Roman Catholicism. He believed that Catholic leaders misunderstood the Bible. Luther insisted the Bible was the only source of religious authority. Luther was excommunicated: he was condemned by the Holy Roman Empire, which officially banned citizens from defending or propagating Luther's ideas. Luther survived after being declared an outlaw due to the protection of Elector Frederick the Wise. Luther was the seminal figure of the Protestant Reformation, and his theological beliefs form the basis of Lutheranism.

What did Martin Luther Believe?

Luther believed in justification by faith. His famous quote is “*That I cannot and will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I stand, I can do no other, so help me God.*”

What do we at Christ Lutheran, AALC believe?

HERE WE STAND: We believe we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. We believe the Holy Bible is God's infallible, inerrant Word. We accept the Lutheran Confessions because they are the right interpretation of the Holy Scripture.



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We have been so blessed by the children that come to our Church. God answers prayer!! We wouldn't be able to have Children's Sunday School without the children, or the wonderful Teachers we have been blessed with.

Thank you Vicar Chris, Jessica, Carolyn and Sarah.



We are collecting shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child' until November 17th. Shoeboxes, brochures and labels are available in the Lobby. Please enclose a check for \$10 to cover shipping and other project costs.

*To build a shoebox online go to samaritanspurse.org/buildonline



And They'll Know We Are Christians

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

as I have loved you.

By Our Love

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