



# CELC Weekly Gospel in Action Moments

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church



**For the week of  
Sunday, March 31, 2024**

**Easter Sunday**

## Welcome to Worship

✚ **We are happy to have you with us** and wish you a warm welcome. If you would like more information about our church and its ministries, please contact our church office, 440-933-6263.

✚ **Attention families:** We encourage you to have your children participate in worship. They learn about worship and faith by being involved. If you or your children need a break, we have Wiggle Beach off to the left of the sanctuary. If you need assistance, an usher will happily direct you.

✚ **We honor our military among us.** Please lift in prayer all who serve in the military, past and present, along with their loved ones. Currently serving: Marty Koch, Coast Guard.

## Prayers

✚ **For prayer requests** please fill out a prayer request form found in the gathering area and place it in the offering plate during the service, contact Sharon Davidson at 440-933-3923, skid440@yahoo.com or contact the church office.

## CELC Call Committee Update

✚ Exciting News! Save the Dates, April 27 and 28, 2024 Our Call Committee and Church Council are excited to announce that we will Meet and Greet our primary rostered minister at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 27. At that time, Our candidate will be announced, and you will have an opportunity to meet them and talk with them. Council members are arranging a cookies and beverage reception for all. It is important for you to come as you are able. After our 10:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, April 28, all voting members of the congregation are asked to please attend an important meeting. We will be voting whether to call to this candidate as our next pastor in ministry with us. If members affirm a desire to extend an official call, then a second vote will be taken to accept the compensation package to be offered. Who is a voting member of our church? According to the ELCA and our church constitution, a voting member is a confirmed member who partakes of Holy Communion and supports the

church with an offering of record at least once in a period of one year. If you are a voting member, it is especially important that you be present for both Saturday's gathering and Sunday's worship and meeting. Pastor Mitch Phillips, the Assistant to our Bishop and the person who has spent much time in aiding us in our search, will also be present to support us. Lastly, it is imperative that confidences be kept until the Meet and Greet. Meanwhile, continue to uphold our primary candidate, Pastor Laura, and all of us as we continue on this journey of discernment to know God's will.

## Congregation News

✚ **Public Notice: Please be advised that our facilities will be closed with no church activities or services April 6, 7, and 8.** We encourage everyone to take advantage of the Solar Eclipse events planned by the City of Avon Lake. **Parking will be first come first served, and run \$40 per day, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.** All Proceeds will go toward our youth as a fundraiser for their summer mission trip. Thank you for your understanding.

✚ **The eclipse committees looking for** members willing to lend corn hole sets or other yard games to be used by visitors while they are waiting for the eclipse to happen. If you have anything to lend, please label with your name and drop off to the church by Friday, April 5th. *The church will not be responsible for any broken or missing parts.*

✚ **The CELC Council is looking for a female representative** from our church to attend the annual Northeast Ohio Synod Assembly on Saturday June 1. Please see any member of church council if interested.

## Sunday School/ VBS News

✚ **There will be no Sunday School** today, Easter, March 31.

✚ **Wiggle Beach bags notice.** Please take a moment and clear out your child's Wiggle Beach bag to ensure room for the Church Mouse to drop off surprises. If you no longer wish your child to receive Wiggle Beach surprises, please let the church office know. Thank you.

✚ **VBS will be held this year June 24-June 28.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE**

### CELC Preschool News

‡ Our preschool director, Terri Pienoski, is retiring after 25 years of service and dedication to our education and community outreach. Please help us to recognize and honor Terri's with a congregational gift. The church council is collecting donations towards this gift and will accept them until April 15. Please mark any donation as retirement gift. Terri's final day with the preschool is May 31.

### Thank You's

‡ Thank you to all who participated in the reading of the Passion Story on Palm Sunday. We especially appreciate those readers that spent extra time and effort to make the story of Jesus life, suffering, and death come alive for all those present: Frank Lee, Daniel Ingraham, Lisa Scheer, Tim Neuman, Scott Carlson, Aubrey Luciano, Ron Jantz, Christ Owens, Barb Kocel, Rob Pederson, Laura and Meghan Knight, Ryan Smarsh, Betsy Floyd, Beth and Jacob Lecorchick, and Adam Luciano. Also, a big thank you to all the children and the youth who aided the congregation by holding up prompt signs. May all be blessed as we reflect on the Passion Story of Jesus Christ throughout this Holy Week.

### Congregation Calendar

#### **Sunday, March 31 Easter**

10:00 a.m. Holy Worship

#### **Wednesday, April 3**

8:26 p.m. Unite in Prayer

#### **Friday, April 5**

Pastor's Day Off

#### **Saturday, April 6**

Building Closed

#### **Sunday, April 7**

Recorded Worship

Building Closed

#### **Monday, April 8 Solar Eclipse**

Building Closed

### Christ Lutheran Preschool

Monday-Friday 9 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

### Good Kids Childcare Calendar

Monday-Friday 7a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

### Worship Assistants and Volunteers

#### March 31 Easter Sunday

##### **Greeters:**

Usher: Chip Crout and Brian Knip

Lector: Ron Jantz

Cantor: Angela Pedersen

Live Stream: Bill Higgins

Counter: Julie Skaggs

Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding: Marilyn Culler

#### April 7

Recorded Service will be provided.

#### April 14

##### **Greeters:**

Usher: Betsy Floyd

Lector: Betsy Floyd

Cantor: Rob Pedersen

Live Stream: Bill Higgins

Counter: Erik Klenz

Altar Care: Marilyn Culler

Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch

##### **SS Teachers:**

##### **Bread Maker:**

#### April 21

##### **Greeters:**

Usher: Brian Knip

##### **Lector:**

Cantor: Angela Pedersen

##### **Live Stream:**

Altar Care: Marilyn Culler

Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch

##### **SS Teachers:**

##### **Bread Maker:**

#### April 28

##### **Greeters:**

Usher: Ryan Smarsh

Lector: Marilyn Culler

Cantor: Sue Frantz

Live Stream: Bill Higgins

Counter: Brenda Crout

Altar Care: Marilyn Culler

Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch

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##### **Bread Maker:**

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