



# CEL Weekly Gospel in Action Moments

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church



**For the week of  
Sunday, October 22, 2023  
Pastor Appreciation Month**

## 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.

## Congregation News

**"The Post Quarantine Church" Book Discussion will start today after worship.** The class will meet on Sunday's after church from Oct 22-Nov 19th. We look forward to learning together!

✚ **Veteran's Day 2023:** It is that time of year again, for CELC to honor our veterans, past and present. If you would like your family member to be included in a photo collage, please include a photo of the veteran, along with the name of veteran and their branch of service. Because Veteran's Day 2023 is on a Saturday, the display will be available on Sunday 11/12. Please submit photo and name/branch information to Ryan Smarsh by Wednesday 11/1. Submissions can be made in person at church

or via email: [rfsmarsh86@gmail.com](mailto:rfsmarsh86@gmail.com). THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS!

✚ **Annual holiday food pack:** Once again, CELC will take part of a holiday and service tradition: packing food bags at Cleveland's Redeemer Crisis Center. Because of COVID, the way we pack food bags have changed and CELC has been given the Friday night before the holiday to finish packing bags that were started by other area Lutheran churches the Wednesday and Thursday before. We are packing for Thanksgiving on Friday, November 17 and for Christmas on Friday, December 15. Both food packs will begin at 7PM and should end around 9PM. We need 16 volunteers for our group. Please RSVP your interest to Ryan Smarsh as soon as possible. We will not have a meal before. Please meet at CELC to caravan or meet us at the Center, 2970 W 30 Cleveland, Ohio. Please see Ryan Smarsh with any questions.

✚ **Fall Congregation meeting** will be held on Sunday, November 19, 2023, following the worship service.

✚ **The church office will be closed** Monday, October 23 as Heather will be traveling.

✚ **October is Pastor Appreciation month.** We encourage you to take a moment and thank Pastor Laura and her continued leadership of our congregation.

✚ **All Saints Sunday** will be held on November 5, 2023. Please contact the church office if you have had a loved one pass since last All Saints Day. Please submit names and relation to you by October 22. Thank you.

✚ **Photos please!** As we begin to prepare for our next pastor, it would be helpful to have updated photos of our members. We are encouraging members to take a photo of their families, along with each person individually, saved in .jpg format. Those photos will be uploaded into our membership

**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE**

records to create a pictorial directory for reference moving forward. **\*\*Please note while taking your photos, ensure good lighting and good focus.\*\*** Please send all photos to [celc.mainoffice@gmail.com](mailto:celc.mainoffice@gmail.com) Thank you.

### Call Committee Update

‡ Pastor Mitch Phillips, Assistant to our Bishop, is reviewing rostered ministers' mobility papers and contacting candidates who seem to have the best gifts for our faith community. He says that there are many factors that make our church a desirable Call. Pastor Mitch projects that we will begin interviewing candidates soon.

### Congregation Calendar

#### **Sunday, October 22**

10:00 a.m. Holy Worship  
10:00 a.m. Prek-6 Grade Sunday School

#### **Monday, October 23**

*Office Closed*

#### **Wednesday, October 25**

6:15 p.m. Bell Choir

#### **Friday, October 27**

Pastor's day off

#### **Sunday, October 29**

10:00 a.m. Holy Worship  
10:00 a.m. Prek-6 Grade Sunday School

### 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

#### October 22

Usher: Eric Mohney  
Lector: Beth Lecorchick  
Cantor: Michelle Young  
Live Stream: Ryan Smarsh  
Altar Care: Carol Meiners  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
Grass: Frank Lee and Brian Knip  
SS Teachers: Kristen and Mindy

### October 29

Usher: Ryan Smarsh  
Lector: Frank Lee  
Cantor: Angela Pedersen  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Brenda Crout  
Altar Care: Carol Meiners  
Bulletin Folding: Katie Koch  
Grass: Marty Koch  
SS Teachers: Sue and Katie

### November 5

Usher: Chip Crout  
Lector: Marilyn Culler  
Cantor: Julie Pressnell  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson  
Grass: Chuck Heindrichs and Andy Young

### November 12

Usher: Betsy Floyd  
Lector: Betsy Floyd  
**Cantor:**  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Counter: Eric Klenz  
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

### November 19

Usher: Brian Knip  
Lector: Laura Knight  
Cantor: Michelle Young  
Live Stream: Bill Higgins  
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

### November 26

Usher: Eric Mohney  
Lector: Tim Gottshall  
**Cantor:**  
**Live Stream:**  
Counter: Eric Mohney  
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler  
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

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