

Christ Lutheran Church

1500 Western Avenue Albany, New York 12203-3525

Chronicles April 2012

<p>Worship Sunday 10:30am Holy Communion</p> <p>Wednesday 11:00am Holy Communion</p> <p>Holy Week Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Good Friday 12:00pm Scripture & Prayer 7:00pm Tenebrae Service Easter Sunday 10:30am</p> <p>Pastor Rev. Russell Craig</p> <p>Secretary Madison Burrell</p> <p>Music Director Sharon Calka</p> <p>Custodian Fritz Herzog</p> <p>Office: (518) 456-1530 church@clcalbany.org www.clcalbany.org</p>	<p>A Message from the Pastor</p> <p>Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,</p> <p>The great celebration for all Christians is almost here – Easter. On Easter Sunday we rejoice in our Lord Jesus’ resurrection and victory over sin, death and the devil. Before Jesus headed to Jerusalem and the cross of Good Friday, He asked his disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” St. Paul gave the perfect response, “You are the Christ, the Son of God.”</p> <p>Unfortunately, immediately after this wonderful statement of faith, Paul told Jesus to stop talking about going to Jerusalem to be arrested and die. A God, a Savior, who would suffer and die just did not jive with Paul’s view of how God worked. It was not until after the Resurrection that Paul and the others understood that Jesus was truly the Son of God who died and rose for the forgiveness of sins.</p> <p>As you prepare for Easter, I ask you the same question, “Who do you say Jesus is?”</p> <p>Take time to pray about your answer. Do you truly believe that Jesus is the divine Son of God? Do you truly believe that the Son of God left the glory of heaven to be born as a human child in Bethlehem? Do you truly believe that Jesus, the God-man, took upon Himself the guilt of your sins to the cross? Do you really believe that Jesus, the God-man, rose from the dead? Do you really believe that Jesus, the God-man, died and rose for you? Do you truly believe that Jesus, the God-man, is your Savior and that because of Him you have forgiveness and eternal life?</p> <p>If you answered “Yes”, I have one last question: <i>Does Jesus truly matter in your life?</i></p> <p>Our Lord does not want us to simply say, “Yeah, sure I believe in Jesus.” He wants to be a part of our lives. He wants to impact our lives daily. He wants us to have life in Him and have enjoy this new life fully. This Easter may you truly believe that Jesus is your Savior and the very Son of God. And may He shape your thoughts, your actions, and your life.</p> <p>+Pastor Russ Craig</p>
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CHURCH NEWS

+ Holy Week Service (April 1 – 8)

Palm Sunday: Holy Communion, 10:30am
Wednesdays: Holy Communion, 11:00am
Holy Thursday: Holy Communion & Stripping of Altar, 7:00pm
Good Friday: Scripture & Prayer, 12:00pm
Tenebrae Service, 7:00pm
Easter Sunday: Holy Communion, 10:30am

+ Jubilate Concert, Sunday, April 29, 7:00pm

The Jubilate Singers and Orchestra present "Jubilate Deo: A Musical Thank-Offering for God's Blessings" on Sunday, April 29 at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, NY. Tickets are available at the door or may be reserved by calling 478-9476. Ticket pricing is adults \$15; seniors and students \$10, and children ages 12 and under free.

+ Welcome, New Members!

On Palm Sunday, we will welcome into our church family Ivy Hsieh, Susan Lawton, Brianna Morales and Valerie Morales.

FINANCIAL REPORT: JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Income \$ 14,899.00

Expenses \$ 16,178.39

Difference - \$ 1,279.39

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Len Ahders
Madison Burrell
Betty Jane Casatelli
Ben Duell
Hilda Griessel
Herta Haupt
Alan Kenyon
Hazel Lanza
Dorothy Siebert
Richard Smith



Family & Friends

Lori Archer (sister of Pastor & Carole's friends)
Ed Beutel (brother of Bea White)
Erin Carhart (niece of Della & Joe Henstenberg)
Robert Carman (brother-in-law of Loretta Flanders & Phyllis Mattice)
Rylee Cavins (goddaughter of Sue Lawton)
Deidre Chalkowski (daughter of Virginia Bradt)
Keith Cole (friend of Lorraine & Tom Urbano)
Shirley Curry (widow of Pastor Kenneth Curry)
Jean Davis (sister of Anne MacIntosh)
Teresa Deane (friend of Goodie Scherer)
Dustin Donovan (grandson of Virginia Bradt)
Bonnie Duchow (cousin of Sandy Smith)
Rhonda Duell (daughter of Len & Ruth Ahders)
Erma Fike (mother of Alan Fike)
Sue & Reese Frances (sister & brother-in-law of Sandy Smith)
Kurt Gerfin (son of Deacon Don Gerfin, Immanuel)
Teresa Grice (mother of Judy Zamurs)
Laura Langabeer (niece of Judy Zamurs)
Doug Lawton (friend of Phyllis Mattice)
George Lipani (friend of Joe & Della Henstenberg)
Peter Noonan (nephew of Joe & Della Henstenberg)
Holli Pocaro (friend of Sandy Smith)
Vicky Quay (daughter of Joan Long)
Eric Schermerhorn (son of Deacon Glenn Schermerhorn)
Marji Schwegler (cousin of Smith/Burrell/DeMoor families)
Ruth Varney (friend of Joe & Della Henstenberg)
Kyle Wagoner (friend of Madison Burrell)
Sharon Willet (friend of Larry Bohn)
Our Armed Forces, especially those in Afghanistan

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

5 Barbara Kunkel
14 George Pomakoy
20 Judy Bliven
Bea White
26 Carole Craig

♪ From the Music Director ♪

After a several month hiatus, I am resuming my "Hymn of the Month" column and starting with "All Glory, Laud and Honor" written by St. Theodulph, Bishop of Orleans, France in the year 820. The hymn tune is named St. Theodulph.

The mighty Charlemagne (742-814 A.D.), King of the Franks, united most of Western Europe under his crown. He was a visionary who advanced education and reformed the laws, economy, and culture of Europe. When he died, his son, Louis I, assumed the throne. At first, all went well, but in 817, he began dividing the empire among his nephew and his four sons causing no end of problems. Twice he was deposed by his sons, and though he regained his throne both times, he was never again able to rest securely.

Caught in the middle of this epic family conflict was Theodulph, Bishop of Orleans, a city south of Paris. Theodulph, born in Spain about 750, had gone to France as a church leader at Charlemagne's request. He was a brilliant man who worked hard to reform the clergy. He established schools and advanced education. He advocated high morals, built churches and composed hymns of praise to God. But, during the political intrigues of Louis' reign, Theodulph was accused (falsely, it seems) of conspiring with King Bernard of Italy; and on Easter Sunday, 818, he was imprisoned in the monastery of Angers, a city southwest of Paris. There, as he meditated on our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem prior to His Crucifixion and Resurrection, Theodulph wrote the great Palm Sunday hymn, "All Glory, Laud, and Honor." According to a tradition that can be neither confirmed nor denied, when King Louis later visited Angers, he momentarily halted by the monastery where Theodulph was held, and the bishop appeared at the window, singing "All Glory, Laud and Honor." The king was reportedly so moved that he ordered the bishop's release. For whatever reason, we know Theodulph was released in 821, but he died on his way back to Orleans, or shortly after his return there.

Originally, there were 78 verses to this hymn! Theodulph had lots of time in his prison-monastery. The first several are the ones we commonly sing today. We will sing this hymn (as will many other churches) on Sunday, April 1st, Palm Sunday.

Sharon Calka

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<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	2 7:00pm Council	3 9:45am Bible Study 6:30pm Bible Study	4 11:00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	5 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 7:00pm <i>Holy Communion</i>	6 <i>Good Friday</i> 12:00pm <i>Scripture & Prayer</i> 7:00pm <i>Tenebrae Service</i>	7
8 <i>Easter Sunday</i> No Bible study 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	9	10 9:45am Bible Study 12:00pm Christ Women 6:30pm Bible Study	11 11:00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	12	13	14
15 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	16	17 9:45am Bible Study 6:30pm Bible Study	18 11:00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	19	20	21
22 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	23	24 9:45am Bible Study 6:30pm Bible Study	25 11:00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	26	27	28
29 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	30	1	2	3	4	5



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS			ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS	
Date	Lector	Communion		
1	Lois Ruppert	Linda Halbrend Sandy Smith	Virginia Matthews	In loving memory of my dear husband, Roy, on our anniversary
8	Lorraine Urbano	Joe Fahd Lorraine Urbano	Nancy & Joe Fahd	On the occasion of our 45 th wedding anniversary
15	Linda Halbrend	Linda Halbrend Bea White	Goodie Scherer & Karen Benedetto	In loving memory of John; a wonderful Husband, Dad and Grandfather
22	Mike McDermott	Mike McDermott Vicky McDermott	Pastor Russ Craig	In celebration of Carole's birthday
29	Madison Burrell	Alan Fike Bea White	Earl & Anne MacIntosh Lois Ruppert	To the glory of God In praise and Thanksgiving to God

*Flowers are provided, and part of the cost has been donated, by Emil J. Nagengast Florist
The 2012 Flower Chart has been posted on the narthex bulletin board. Remember to sign-up and submit a dedication form.
If there is one donor the cost is \$27 and if there are two, the cost is \$13.50 each.*