

Cornerstone

FEBRUARY 2022

Jesus Changes Everything.

Maybe you heard the council or me or Pastor Ron mention this. These simple three words impact our lives in an incredible way.

Jesus, he is the center all of creation. We worship him because he is God's song, God himself. Putting Jesus first is right as he should always be the center of what we do and who we are at Christ Lutheran...it's even at the beginning of the name of our church.

Change is a word that can be anxiety inducing, but when we put the word Jesus in front of it, we know that HIS change is always Godly, necessary, and true. After all he changed our destiny from life to death through his death and resurrection and he wants to renew us every day by the power of his life in us.

Everything. There is no getting around this word, it literally encompasses EVERYTHING in our lives. There is no part of our life that Jesus wants to leave untouched. It may not always be easy or comfortable or what WE want, but that doesn't matter. To be called a Christian is to invite Christ into every part of our lives and to change and redeem every part for HIS purpose.

There you have it, three simple words that change everything. But don't just leave them there, take action. A life lived with Christ at center is a life lived for the glory of God! Focus on him. Ask what "Jesus Changes Everything" means in your life TODAY!

If you want some examples of how Jesus Changes Everything check out my web series called...you guessed it "Jesus Changes Everything" on the Christ Lutheran YouTube or Facebook page. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdNQGYjcijaaXM_pDn1WITg, <https://www.facebook.com/Christ-Lutheran-Church-1081089251919355>

The latest episode just went live and is entitled "How Jesus Changes my marriage." Check it out today!

In Christ,
Pastor Wes



February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 30 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Coffee Fellowship 10:20am Anchored in Christ 5:00pm ALPHA	31 9:00am Quilting 10:00am Coffee Time 6:30pm Prayer Team	Feb 1	2 4:30pm Kingdom Kids	3 7:00am Community Prayer @ CLC 9:00am Charis Women's Study via Zoom	4 OFFICE CLOSED 6:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast	5
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The difference between “come and see” and “go and tell”

We live in an exciting time in history for the American church. This may seem like an odd statement in light of all that is going on today. The pandemic has changed how and when people work, eat out, see friends and family, worship, and more. The COVID19 pandemic accelerated an already alarming trend of church attendance. If you look at the latest statistics, you will see that church attendance is at its lowest levels since 1900 and is only falling. So how can I call this an exciting time for the church today? Because we are **surrounded** by people that need to hear the good news of Jesus Christ!

The difference is that instead of adopting a posture of “**come and see**” as happened in years past, we now need to practice “**go and tell**.” Because the church is not the cultural center of American life anymore, it is highly unlikely for someone to end up in church on Sunday just because it is “Sunday morning.” Instead it is time for the church to recover its original purpose... the same purpose that Jesus gave his disciples before he ascended back into heaven... “go and make disciples.”

So how does the church do that? Start by understanding God’s mission for mankind. When he came to earth Jesus was on a rescue mission for all mankind. His great love is the salvation for all

mankind. This is the message that needs to be communicated in all parts of the lives of those who go to church, communicated by all the people inside the walls of church to those outside the church in every walk of life. It's as simple as that, church members living a life united in the good news of the gospel.

This is the everyday mission that we are all on. Though it may be simple, it is never easy. Which is why it is so important to stay connected to the source of the mission, Christ, and the message, him crucified for our sake. ALL of us are missionaries for the church, in our homes, our work, our social lives, and everywhere. And we have more tools at our disposal to promote spiritual questions than ever.

One tool that we have are our social media sites. If you don’t follow Christ Lutheran on social media (Facebook and Instagram) now is the time to start! Instead of being a place to learn about ministry, Christ Lutherans sites are a place to engage in spiritual practices. And don’t just keep it to yourself, share these posts and engage with others in a more meaningful way. If light of today’s circumstances, you will most certainly be sharing words of hope to people who need to hear it! This is just one way you can “go and tell!”

february

Serving Team: Nazareth

Date	<u>Greeter</u>	Date	<u>Reader</u>
6	Heilman Family	6	Bonita Heilman
13	Pollock Family	13	Erin Pollock
20	Carlson Family	20	Asheim
27	Pennaz Family	27	Karen Pennaz

Date	<u>Altar Care</u>	Date	<u>Coffee</u>
6	Bonita Heilman	6	Heilmans
13	Julie Doyle	13	Andersons & Hawkinsons
20	Julie Doyle	20	Grenells
27	Yoshi Grenell	27	Roilands

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We Love Our
Volunteers!

"I felt heard for the first time."

ALPHA IS BACK!

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BELONG. DISCOVER.

It's not too late to join!



@ Christ Lutheran Church
Sundays 5-6:30pm

Thank You from
Mary Couser

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, phone calls and food we received during my recovery from my fall. Feeling the love from my church family has been a blessing. May God bless each one of you.