

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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NewsNotes....

April 14, 2021

- **Yes, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! The seven-week Easter festival continues!**

- Join this community of faith to celebrate the risen Christ this Sunday, April 18, the Third Sunday in Easter, 10:00 a.m.
- We will gather at our “north campus,” also known as the Good Shepherd facility, 3680 Whitney Ave., Hamden.
- Because we will be worshipping indoors, please register to let us know you are coming so we can plan appropriate seating. Please reply to this email or call the church office to leave a message: 203.288.3196.
- All COVID cautions will be in effect ... appropriate social distancing while seated in the church and in entering and departing the facility, mask wearing, hand sanitizing, etc.



- **The sounds of music.** Whether you were worshipping in person or via live-streaming this past Sunday, you heard the sounds of the baby grand piano that now graces our worship space at our Christ Church facility. The piano, which was formerly housed in the music room of the church, was moved recently into the worship space to enhance our worship. Our thanks to our church musician, Caroline Henry, for her skilled and gifted playing.
- **Call Committee begins work.** After their meeting last Thursday evening with Mark Winzler, Associate to the Bishop of the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, our Call Committee has now begun its work that will lead to the nomination of a candidate to serve as the first pastor of this new congregation. While their work will be confidential, they will make occasional reports on their progress when appropriate. In the meantime keep these folks doing important work on behalf of all of us in your prayers: Krista O'Brien, Linda Kapitan, Cyndi Hansard, Rob Hansen, and Durbin Hunter.

- **April Congregation Council Meeting.** The Congregation Council will gather for its monthly meeting next Monday night, April 19, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom. One of the key items on their agenda will be to review our current in-person worship and when will be begin worshipping solely at our future single facility at 600 Shepard Ave. The Council will also discuss having a special “closing” worship service at the Good Shepherd facility in order to celebrate the many memories of life well lived in that cherished place. Watch for news on this and more in next week’s News Notes.
- **Correction.** If you have picked up the most recent Church Directory, please note that the church phone number on the cover page needs to be changed to **203.288.3196**. Typos happen. And thanks to those who caught it. But even more thanks to Brenda Samal who did beautiful work in compiling the new directory for this new congregation!
- If you would like a family member or friend included in the prayers on Sunday morning, please let Pastor Swenson know via email: **pastor@christgoodshepherdlutheran.org** or call or text: 860.857.9362. Also please let him know the good news that someone you have had on the prayer list over the past weeks has been restored to health. We will rejoice with you and take that person off the list.
 - Please note that the names offered before worship on Sunday mornings are only included for that one day. If you would like someone included on a continuing basis, please contact Pastor Swenson.
- If you have concerns or questions about life at Christ the Good Shepherd Church or have personal concerns you wish to share, please feel free to contact Pastor Swenson via phone or text: 860.857.9362.

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