

# Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

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Encounter God | Love one another | Reach the World

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## From the Pastor

Friends in Christ,

I find myself struggling to find words to share with you all. With the events that have taken place over the last few weeks, as well as the bitter cold that has set in... it seems that feeling any type of warmth is a distant memory. In the midst of so much uncertainty, fear, and anger, the Gospel is that candle of light and warmth we so desperately need. And as I write this message, news has come out that Governor Walz and President Trump have talked and that things should hopefully calm down soon. It is so comforting to have hope again after the past few weeks.

But even though the chill has seeped into our bones, I have more news that I hope will lift your spirits and warm your hearts like it has mine. As most of you know, Lakeview has been discussing their future and trying to discern where God is calling their

community of faith. Last Sunday, they voted nearly unanimously to begin worshipping with us at Christ the Servant at one service beginning in June. And while there is sadness and loss with this decision... there is also hope in a new future together. Our partnership has been a blessing to both congregations, and I am grateful that it will continue in new and exciting ways!

Even in the darkness that has enveloped us over the past several weeks, the light of the Gospel burns brightly. We have been given this light, and are called to share it with the world. I am so grateful to be a part of two communities of faith where that light shines bright for all to see!

God Bless,  
Pastor Jon

## News & Events

### Upcoming Events:

- 2/8 Annual Congregational Meeting
- 2/8 Youth Souper-Bowl Fundraiser
- 2/18 Ash Wednesday Worship - 7:00 PM
- 3/8 *Daylight Saving Time begins*

### Annual Congregational Meeting

Mark your calendars for our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, February 1 after worship. We'll hear reports from the church council and treasurer, elect members to positions of leadership, and learn about ministry plans and approve a budget for 2026.

We are seeking nominations of CSLC members to serve on the church council. If you wish to nominate yourself or someone else speak with council president Kim Katzenmeyer or Pastor Jon.

### CSLC Youth host Souper-Bowl of Caring

Join CSLC youth for the Souper Bowl of Caring - Sunday, February 8 after worship. Youth will be collecting food and monetary donations for the local food shelf.



### Lenten Worship at CSLC

#### *Walking the Palm Sunday Path - Lent 2026*

During Lent, we often face vital questions about Jesus and the new reign he proclaims. We repent and seek clarity. We take stock of our lives, reconsider the world we inhabit, and prepare to reencounter Jesus in the story of his self-giving, suffering, and resurrection.

Our goal for this series is to encourage people to follow Jesus along the path he walked into Jerusalem and eventually to the cross. As he approached the city, he staged a procession, a public display that both called into question the usual symbols and privileges of power and embraced a different way. Of course we know how the story ended, but it's important to remember that Jesus's message was public and provocative. His followers understood the risk. The original Palm Sunday was an occasion of joy and peril, all rolled into a tight and combustible ball of earnest expectation.

## Serving This Month

### Ushers:

- 2/1 Tigges Family
- 2/8 Johnson Family
- 2/15 Gary Splittstoesser
- 2/22 OPEN

### Readers:

- 2/1 Ron Hawkinson
- 2/8 Sarah Kelvie
- 2/15 Pam Irgens
- 2/22 Peter Songster

### Coffee Serving:

- 2/1 Paul & Eileen
- 2/8 Sandy Meyer
- 2/15 Sandy Johnson & Nancy Sacco
- 2/22 OPEN

### New Congregation Worshiping at CSLC

As most of you may have heard, we have welcomed another congregation that will be sharing our space on a weekly basis. This congregation is The United Church of God - Twin Cities. Their services are at 1:30 PM on Saturdays with fellowship following at 3:00. They are so excited to be able to share our beautiful building! I know there has been some concern about how this will impact some of the things we do occasionally on Saturdays, but they understand that things will come up and have agreed to be flexible. They have already been a tremendous help in getting some of our sound system issues fixed. If you do happen to run across them when they are here, I hope everyone will extend a warm welcome.

### CSLC Office Hours

Please note that our office hours are Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 AM -2:00 PM or other times by appointment. If you need assistance outside these hours contact office@csclcvh.org for the office or Pastor Jon at 612-231-2111.

### Bread Ministry Needs YOUR Help

The bread ministry is seeking a volunteer to assist 1-2 Monday mornings a month. At 9:00 AM wrap Panera bread and deliver to the 5 Star Mobile Home Park in Vadnais Heights. Call Sandy Johnson with questions at 651-329-1928.

**Submit news and events for the March newsletter to [office@csclcvh.org](mailto:office@csclcvh.org) by Thursday, February 19.**

### WORSHIP WITH US

Sundays @ 9:00 AM

Or join our livestream on Youtube!

Your giving to CSLC is appreciated! Scan the QR code to give through our website or stop in with your offering!

