



SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES

Spiritual disciplines are like garden tools. The best shovel or rake or sprinkler cannot guarantee a healthy and prolific harvest; but they can give us the best chance of seeing the bounty we long for to come true.

Here are six spiritual practices that help nurture faith.

1. **Daily Prayer**-Prayer takes practice for it to become natural. Prayer always begins with grace. God wants to hear from us and share with us the promises that give us hope. Prayer is not simply “speaking” to God but conversing with God which also requires listening. Find a time when you are most alert (so you don’t fall asleep).

2. **Weekly Worship**-From the very beginning God set aside time for worship. We know it as the Sabbath. We gather on Sunday to focus on Christ and what he has already done for us (and continues to do; both now and for eternity). The Sabbath was not created simply as a day of rest, but as a day for worship.

3. **Daily Bible Reading**-Faith comes from hearing the Word of God. Reading the Bible isn’t simply a quest for information as much as a desire for transformation. It is vital to read much scripture so we don’t pick the parts we like or agree with and ignore those which challenge us.

4. **Serving in and beyond the congregation**-We now move from an inward focus to outward and the world. Our freedom isn’t given to us purely for our own benefit. We are now freed to love others in tangible ways. We do that as a congregation (Food Closet) and as individuals. We are all gifted and God calls us to share those gifts.

5. **Nurturing Relationships**-Relationships with our family, congregational members, friends and co-workers takes time and effort. In our current epidemic of loneliness it is vital for us to love in tangible ways so that others may see God and know that they too are loved.

6. **Giving a tithe and beyond**-Generosity begins when we understand that ALL we have is a gift from God. We own nothing. Giving a tithe (10%) is simply one way of showing us that truth. It isn’t about God owning 10%, but God being the creator and owner of all things. Giving is about grace.

Peace,

Pastor Jim

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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SPRY
2385 SOUTH QUEEN STREET YORK, PENNSYLVANIA 17402

Good News Letter

CHURCH COUNCIL

2020

President: Lori Abel (717- 586- 6459), Vice President: Joan Caruso (717- 741- 1626), Treasurer: Randy Witt (717- 891- 2018), Secretary: Shawn Smith (717- 659- 9152), Cindy Druck (717- 741- 0419), Charles Grammes (717- 668- 8478), Mervin Kashner (717- 578- 3790), Sue McLaughlin (717- 741- 2626), Doug Miller (717- 900- 8150), Raymond Rudacille (717- 578- 1764), Elaine Trimmer (717-741-1537), Patti Young (717- 885-7546) Pastor Jim 717-741-4639 (Office), 717- 757-1917 (Home), 717-654-8850 (cell)

Pastor’s report: Discussed role of council. Vision Board presented.

New Business: Lenten breakfast March 7, 2020.

Lilly Endowment Grant Application reviewed and will be discussed further at next meeting.

Treasurer’s Report: Filed for review.

Next meeting: March 24, 2020 7:00 PM

COMMITTEES AND CHAIRPERSONS

Christian Education, Endowment, Finance

Property Joan Caruso (717-741-1626)

Worship & Music

BOOK GROUP

The Book Group meets the second Tuesday of each month in the church library at 9:30 am. Please join us! The March 10 selection is “Before We Were Yours” by Lisa Wingate. The April 14 selection is “The Giver of Stars” by JoJo Moyes. Questions: Cindy Druck (717-741-0419).

BIRTHDAYS

March

- March 1 Oakley Calaman
- March 4 Kelly Miller
- March 5 Charles Grammes
- March 7 Chase Gundel
- March 12 Rebecca Snider
- March 13 Kelly Green
- March 14 Judith Bergdoll, Yvonne Holtzapple
- March 16 Erv Ness
- March 17 Korbin Gething
- March 20 Kimberly Bertch
- March 22 Joan Caruso
- March 23 Raequan Singleton
- March 25 Sarah Chakravarty, Miles Ferree
- March 26 Rebecca Polanzke
- March 27 Lorraine Miller

April

- April 1 Deborah Seitz
- April 2 Justin Stetler
- April 12 Gene Fake, Del Mummert, Kimberly Thomas, Kory Trout
- April 15 Randall Witt
- April 16 Allen Thomas
- April 17 Timothy Smith
- April 20 Matthew Ferree
- April 25 Ian Paules

CANCELLATIONS/DELAYS

If we need to cancel or delay events, the information will be available on the church’s facebook page or wgal.com Unfortunately, they will not guarantee that it will appear on the TV station.

The church’s answering (717-741-4639) will also have the information available. And, all available council members will know the status.

CHURCH OFFICE

Hours

9:00 am – 3:00 PM

Monday - Thursday

Phone 717-741-4639

Email christspry@yahoo.com

DIRECTORY

Be sure to notify the church office (717-741-4639) if your address and/or phone number changes.

FACILITIES CALENDAR

There is a calendar in the church office to be used by each committee as it sponsors an event. The event(s) should be listed on the calendar under the room(s) that will be used for the event.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Attendance for January/February:

Jan 5 - 53, Jan 12 - 63, Jan 19 - 28, Jan 26 - 57

Feb 2 - 72, Feb 9 - 64, Feb 16 - 60, Feb 23 - 57

Budget Update

Our monthly income needed to meet our 2020 budget is \$18,802. In January our income was \$19051 and our expenses were \$16813. Please remember to mail your offering if you do not make it to church.

FOOD CLOSET

The March food item needed is non glass containers of jelly. The April food item needed is canned pasta. Please mark the bag "Food Closet" and place it in the church. Questions: Curt Ferree (717-741-0444).

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE

The newsletter is available electronically on our website at christspry.org or request an emailed copy by emailing the church at christspry@yahoo.com Paper copies will be available for pick up at each entrance. For those who are unable to pick one up at the church or download one from the internet, contact the church office (717-741-4639) for other options. Please have information you would like included in the newsletter to the church office by the 15th of the prior month.

If there is information you would like to have put on the website (christspry.org), email the information to the church office: christspry@yahoo.com

PRAYER VENTURES

Prayer Ventures can be obtained through the elca website: www.elca.org/prayerventures

When viewing the newsletter on the website or in email, Prayer Ventures will not be included. However; Prayer Ventures is easily obtained through the above elca website.



Remember:
turn your clocks ahead
Sunday, March 8, 2020!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Additions

Lori Lehman
Mark Matincheck

Members and Affiliates

Friends and Family

Joyce and Ken Innerst, parents of Andrea Mumford, aging issues.

Jean and Ken Ogle, friend of Lori Abel, struggling with health issues.

In the Military

Brendan Willett, grandson of Elaine Trimmer, is in the Marines.

To have prayer requests included in the newsletter, please provide the information on the Welcome Sheet inserted into the weekly bulletin or call the church office (717-741-4639). Prior to including names on our prayer list, it is required that you receive the person's permission.

Those added to the prayer list will be removed after three months, unless asked to be placed on the list again or updates are added. They will however remain in our hearts & personal prayers.

PRAYER REQUESTS continued

Call the Church Office at 717-741-4639 when:

- A member of your family or a church friend is admitted to the hospital (so that visits can be made and the proper people notified)
- There is a change to either your name, home or work phone number, e-mail or address (so that the church records and directory can be changed).
- A new baby arrives in your family
- A member of your household leaves for college or establishes a new residence
- You desire to join Christ Lutheran or are planning a wedding or baptism
- There is a death
- Upcoming surgery
- You would like Pastor Jim to visit

If not during regular business hours, call

Pastor Jim at 717-757-1917 when:

- A member is hospitalized in an emergency
- A death occurs

THANK YOU

Thanks so much for the cards and money for Christmas!! Also, thanks for the love and support thru the troubled past year. God Bless, *Jill Warner*

WELLSPAN eGREETING

If you know of a church member, family member or friend who is a patient at the York or Gettysburg Hospitals WellSpan offers a free service to deliver a personal message on select stationary.

These greetings may be sent on "Get Well Soon", "Thinking Of You" or "New Baby" stationary. It is a nice way to let others know that you care. Simply go to <https://egreeting.wellspan.org> for details.



PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Reserve the church's Camp Myers Retreat Center for your family reunion, picnic, group meetings, etc.

Call the church office (717-741-4639) to check availability, reserve the facilities or with any questions.

An application for reserving Camp Myers can be found on our church website: www.christspry.org

DIRECTIONS TO RETREAT CENTER

From Christ, Spry, North 83 to U.S. 30 West, right on North 74 through Dover, to Mockingbird Road (which is 5 miles from Dover square), right on to Mockingbird Road. Retreat Center is on the left at the end of the road.

-or-

North on 83 to Newberrytown Exit. Turn left on to Route 382, go to blinking signal light, turn left on to Route 177, go to signal light in Rossville. Turn left, go 1/4 mile to Mockingbird Road, turn left. Retreat Center is on the left at the end of the road.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Choir Rehearsals

Chancel Choir rehearses Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

Chancel Chimes rehearses Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Questions: Darlene Winters (717-741-2979)

Communion Assistants

If you have any questions regarding the communion assistant schedule, or if you need to make any changes to the schedule, please contact Mae Myers (717-741-2347).

Reminder

If you are scheduled to serve in some capacity during the worship service and find you are unable to serve at that assigned time, please find a replacement and notify the church office (717-741-4639) so that worship can proceed smoothly.

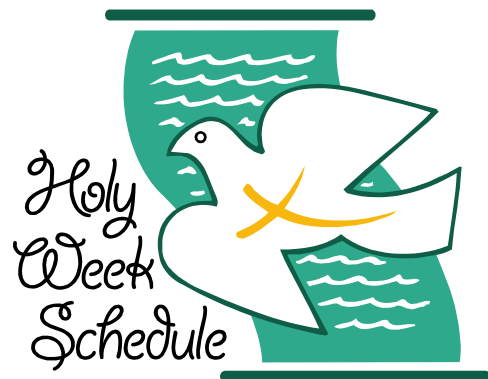
Worship Services - Mid-week Lenten

Please join us during Lent for mid-week worship with *Holden Evening Prayer*. This wonderful worship experience is both brief and beautiful.

It reminds us, especially in the darkness of winter, that Jesus is the light of the world. We will gather at 7:00 PM on the following Wednesdays:

March 4,11,18,25 April 1

Come and lift your voices in praise for all that God has done through our Savior Jesus Christ.



April 9 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship

April 10 7:00 PM Good Friday Worship

April 12 8:45 am Potluck Breakfast and

Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 am Celebration Worship and

Holy Communion

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily,
this year's cost is
\$10.00 each.
(All plants will be white.)

Checks should be made payable to:
Christ Lutheran Church of Spry

Please fill out this form and place it, and your payment,
in the offering plate or return to the church office by

March 22, 2020

(NO ORDERS ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!)

EASTER MUM ORDER FORM

If you would like to purchase an Easter Mum,
this year's cost is
\$11.00 each.
(All plants will be white.)

Checks should be made payable to:
Christ Lutheran Church of Spry

Please fill out this form and place it, and your payment,
in the offering plate or return to the church office by

March 22, 2020

(NO ORDERS ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!)

Your name:

Your name:

of plants: _____

of plants: _____

In honor of:

In honor of:

of plants: _____

of plants: _____

In memory of:

In memory of:

of plants: _____ **to the Glory of God.**

of plants: _____ **to the Glory of God.**

Check # and \$ amount: _____

Check # and \$ amount: _____

Cash: \$ _____

Cash: \$ _____

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SPRY

MARCH 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>1 Lent</i></p> <p>8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship</p>	<p><i>2</i></p>	<p><i>3</i></p>	<p><i>4</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>5</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Chimes</p>	<p><i>6</i></p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>8:00 am Lenten Breakfast</p>
<p><i>8 Lent</i></p> <p>8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship</p> <p><i>Daylight Savings</i></p>	<p><i>9</i></p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>9:30 am Book Group</p>	<p><i>11</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Chimes</p>	<p><i>13</i></p>	<p><i>14</i></p>
<p><i>15 Lent</i></p> <p>8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship</p>	<p><i>16</i></p>	<p><i>17</i></p>	<p><i>18</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>19</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Chimes</p>	<p><i>20</i></p>	<p><i>21</i></p>
<p><i>22 Lent</i></p> <p>8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship</p>	<p><i>23</i></p>	<p><i>24</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Church Council meeting</p>	<p><i>25</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Chimes</p>	<p><i>27</i></p>	<p><i>28</i></p>
<p><i>29 Lent</i></p> <p>8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship - Hymn Sing</p>	<p><i>30</i></p>	<p><i>31</i></p>				

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR MARCH 2020

If you are unable to serve on the Sunday assigned to you, please trade days with someone else or find a substitute and notify the church office (717-741-4639) with the corrected schedule.

Date	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Communion Assistants	Nursery Assistants	Reader	Ushers
03-01		Vicki Dill	Lori Abel, Rhonda Carl, Joan Caruso	Elaine Trimmer	Doris Geesey	Betty and Bill Stone
03-08		Elaine Trimmer	Joan Caruso, Marlyn Geesey, Andrea Mumford		Bill Paules	Betty and Bill Stone
03-15		Cindy Druck	Emily Boyer, Doris Geesey, Raymond Rudacille	Judy Hess, Barb Mount	Jamie Zwally	Betty and Bill Stone
03-22		Doris Geesey	Bob Quickel, Elaine Trimmer, Jamie Zwally		Shawn Smith	Betty and Bill Stone
03-29		Vicki Dill	Charles Grammes, Deloris Grammes, Andrea Mumford		Ken Billet	Betty and Bill Stone



March

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APRIL 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 Chancel Choir	2 7:00 PM Chancel Chimes	3	4
5 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship	6	7	8 7:00 Chancel Choir	9 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 7:00 PM Worship	10 <i>Good Friday</i> 7:00 PM Worship	11 9:00 Altar Guild Easter flowers
12 <i>Easter</i> 9:00 am Potluck break- fast & egg hunt 10:00 Worship	13 Church Office Closed	14 9:30 am Book Group	15 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	16	17	18
19 8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship	20	21	22 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	23	24	25
26 8:45 am SCS 10:00 Worship	27	28 7:00 PM Church Council meeting	29 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	30		



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR APRIL 2020

If you are unable to serve on the Sunday assigned to you, please trade days with someone else or find a substitute and notify the church office (741-4639) with the corrected schedule.

Date	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Communion Assistants	Nursery Assistants	Reader	Ushers
04-05		Carolyn Wert	Lori Abel, Rhonda Carl. Joan Caruso	Elaine Trimmer	Randy Witt	Betty and Bill Stone
04-09 Maundy Thurs.		Elaine Trimmer, Carolyn Wert	Rhonda Carl, Bob Quickel, Elaine Trimmer		Bob Quickel	Church Council
04-10 Good Friday						Church Council
04-12 Easter		All Members	Joan Caruso, Marlyn Geesey, Andrea Mumford		Joan Caruso	Betty and Bill Stone
04-19		Darlene Winters	Emily Boyer, Doris Geesey, Raymond Rudacille	Judy Hess, Barb Mount	Curt Ferree	Betty and Bill Stone
04-26		Carolyn Wert	Bob Quickel, Elaine Trimmer, Jamie Zwally		Jean Quickel	Betty and Bill Stone
05-03		Vicki Dill	Lori Abel, Rhonda Carl, Joan Caruso	Elaine Trimmer	Lori Abel	Betty and Bill Stone