

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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Worship Service – 9:30 AM Sundays (In-person & Online)

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February 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted that you are worshipping today at Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. May your experience with God here be a blessing!

ACCESS FOR ALL: While we stand often during the service, please assume a posture of reverence which you are able or comfortable. A wheelchair accessible restroom is located in the Parish Hall through the kitchen. If you'd like Communion brought to your seat, our Pastor will gladly assist you. Activity bulletins are available for young worshippers (see ushers or Pastor).

How do I find worship music?

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the red book in your pew)

LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (the green book in your pew)

AAH - African American Heritage (the beige book in your pew)

Find us online at:

Website: <https://www.christourredeemerjc.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChristOurRedeemerJerseyCity>

Instagram: www.instagram.com/cor.jc

Have questions? Interested in baptism or membership? Please speak with our ***Pastor Kimberly Vaughn*** after service Or, call 201.433.1836.

P-Pastor C-Congregation

Meditation Hymn:

Come By Here, My Lord

Welcome

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand as you are comfortable.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

P: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

Meditation Hymn:

Come By Here, My Lord

WORD

First Reading	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
Psalmody	Psalm 51:1-17
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10
Gospel	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Meditation

The Rev. Kimberly A. Vaughn

Meditation Response

P: Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,

C: **but in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.**

Prayers of Intercession

MEAL

Offering

Offering Prayer

P: Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

C. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught...

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

P: Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

Meditation Hymn:

Come By Here, My Lord

Prayer after Communion

P: Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

C: Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

P: Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share your bread.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Please Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins:

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WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

“OPEN MY LIFE”

Meals served at 6:00 p.m.

Worship begins at 7:00 p.m.

<p>February 21 Host: Grace Lutheran Church 836 Avenue C, Bayonne NJ</p>	<p>February 28 Host: Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 37 Warner Avenue, Jersey City</p>
<p>March 6 Host: Bethany Lutheran Church 2015 JFK Blvd., Jersey City</p>	<p>March 13 Host: Trinity Lutheran Church 195 Claremont Avenue, Jersey City</p>

March 20

Each congregation will worship at their home church

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Congregational:

- **WEDNESDAYS IN LENT:** Joint supper/worship with area churches begins on Wednesday, February 21 at Grace, Bayonne. Meal begins at 6 pm and worship begins at 7 pm. We will serve as hosts on February 28th.
- **COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Our March meeting will be on Tuesday, March 12th. Please note the date change!
- **LENTEN DEVOTIONS** are available for pick up in either regular or large print at the church. Take yours home today.
- **OFFERING ENVELOPES:** See Wanda Fluellen if you don't have your envelopes. Please note - your envelope number may have changed.
- **BIBLE STUDY:** Join us each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. for study and conversation on "Daily Discipleship". See Pastor Kimberly for details.
- **HOLY BAPTISM:** If you or your child are interested in being baptized, please see Pastor Kimberly.
- **FIRST COMMUNION:** Do you have a child ready to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion? Please see Pastor Kimberly.
- **LOOSE CHANGE:** Got any spare change? Drop it in the jar after worship—all monies go towards the building fund.
- Please see page 9 for the list of upcoming worship assistants.

NJ Synod and Community:

- The 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering will take place July 16-20, 2024 in New Orleans. Registration fee is \$425 through February 14th. Late fee (Feb. 15—April 15) is \$475. MYLE and tAble registration fee is \$190 (Waived restriction apply). A \$150 nonrefundable and registration fee are due at sign-up.

***126th YEAR OF WITNESS AND SERVICE TO CHRIST
THROUGH GOD'S WORD,
THE LIGHT AND THE TRUTH,
WE INVITE ALL TO GROW IN CHRIST***

† Connected to Christ † Connected to Each Other † Connected to Community