



CHRISTLUTHERAN
providence | online



Contemporary

December 14, 2025



WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN'S PROVIDENCE CAMPUS

If you would like to learn more about the church, contact Kathy Hofmann, our Guest & Hospitality Director
khofmann@christelca.org
-or-

Fill out one of the Connect cards located in the pew racks in front of you, and place in the offering plate.

OFFERING

Place cash or checks in Give envelopes, located in the pew racks, and drop in offering plate. For online giving, text "PRAISE" to 73256 or scan QR Code on envelope.

CHRISTKIDS

During the sermon, children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited to rooms M241/242 for a special ChristKids children's message.



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Contemporary Order of Worship

GATHERING SONG

We're Tellin' Good News

arr. Phillips

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG (stand)

Sing Joyful

arr. Knight

Barb Chase, solo

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (sit)

Genesis Aurora Laneisha O'Neal

Daughter of Aniya Morgan

Jamie Lee Priscella Briggs

Daughter of Yolanda Morgan

GREETING & SHARING THE PEACE (stand)

Please greet those around you with the peace of the Lord.

MINISTRY PRESENTATION

O Come, Emmanuel

arr. Knight

Wednesdays Ablaze Dance & Movement

PRAYER

SONG OF PREP

Glory, Glory

arr. Knight

Bobby Mauney, solo

READINGS (sit)

Isaiah 55:8-11 (NRSV)

Matthew 1:18-25 (NRSV)

CHRISTKIDS DISMISSAL

SERMON

Fear Not

Fear of the Unknown

Pastor Ryan Ritzmann

MUSICAL OFFERING

Gratitude

arr. Wise

The Xperience & SpiritSong

SONG OF PRAYER (stand)

His Name Is Jesus

(Heaven's Hope)

arr. Cottrell

PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

**Jesus, the Joy of Christmas
with Joy to the World!**

arr. Knight

DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE



2025

Holiday Happenings

AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 14
3:00 p.m. The Charlotte Concert Band presents: Holiday Echoes
For ticketing: charlotteconcertband.org/holidayechoes

Tuesday, December 16
7:00 p.m. Luther Ringers & Joyful Noise Boys Concert @Windsor Run

Thursday, December 18
11:45 a.m. Third Thursday: Christmas Carols w/Carolina Voices Quartet
Register in REALM

Sunday, December 21
2:00 p.m. Joyful Noise Boys and Handbells Concert @Matthews Glen

Sunday, December 21
4:00 p.m. The Charlotte Singers 10th Anniversary Concert
in Christ Chapel

CHRISTMAS EVE
Wednesday, December 24
10:00 a.m. Children's Service (Sanctuary) ^
Special service geared towards families with children aged 5th grade & under with festive songs, a special message & a craft
3:00 p.m. Contemporary Christmas Eve (Sanctuary) 🎵🎶
5:00 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve (Sanctuary) 🎵🎶
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Christmas Eve (Sanctuary)
9:00 p.m. Traditional Worship (Christ Chapel) ^

Sunday, December 28
10:00 a.m. One Service (Sanctuary)
-no Sunday School-

^ IN PERSON ONLY 🍼 NURSERY AVAILABLE (0-35 months) 📖 CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORSHIP IN PERSON -or- ONLINE christelca.org/online

The Charlotte Concert Band presents

Holiday Echoes

Sunday, December 14 • 3 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

Tickets: \$14 in advance or \$15 at the door



CHARLOTTE
CONCERT
BAND

MORE INFO & TICKETS:
charlotteconcertband.org/holidayechoes

CHRISTLUTHERAN
cornerstone
gifts

located between the Ministry Center & Lower Commons

SUN | TUE | WED | THU
9:30a.m. - 12:30p.m.

or by private appointment
call 704-366-1595 ext. 0

**BEAUTIFULLY
 UNIQUE
 CHRISTMAS
 GIFTS**

ON SALE NOW!!

 FOLLOW US
 ON FACEBOOK!



Third THURSDAY

for adults of all ages

December 18

11:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Pit

Welcome the Carolina Carolers as they sing your favorite Christmas songs in full Victorian clothes. Lunch will be served along with hot chocolate & delicious cookies for dessert.

\$15 • Click/Scan to Register>>

MORE INFO: awallace@christelca.org



REALM

Brothers in Faith Book Study

**Thursdays at 7:00 a.m.
at the South Land**

(315 Reid Dairy Rd. in Waxhaw)

Adult men are invited to join this new, weekly book study as we delve into *The Screw Tape Letters* by C.S. Lewis. We look forward to seeing you there!

MORE INFORMATION:

David Dietert (dietert0103@gmail.com)

The Charlotte Singers

10th Anniversary

CONCERT

Sunday, December 21

4:00 p.m. in Christ Chapel

Helen McCorkle Finch, Director

FREE ADMISSION • DONATIONS WELCOMED

Dates to Know

Wednesdays Ablaze
resumes January 7, 2026

Sunday School
ends December 14 • resumes January 4, 2026

Worship on December 28
There will be only 1 service on Dec. 28
at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Online



Luther Ringers & Joyful Noise Boys Concert

Tuesday, December 16
7:00 p.m. at Windsor Run

Residents of Windsor Run & their families are invited to a Christmas concert in the new Carolina Hall Auditorium in the Fincher Building. Please invite fellow neighbors of Windsor Run to this concert!



GRIEF SHARE®

STARTS
JAN. 14

Wednesdays • 6-7:30 p.m.
in the Church Office Great Room

This Christ-centered, grief support group helps those who have lost loved ones find healing and hope. Open to members & nonmembers.

Griefshare follows a 13-wk. curriculum • Cost: \$20
For questions, please email cpmengel@gmail.com

Scan/Click to Register>



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Baptismal Class

Sunday, January 11
1:00 p.m. on Christ Online

For info, email Caroline at
cdiffley@christelca.org

VIRTUAL LINK:
christelca.org/online

Christmas Decorations Removal

Please help us take down Christmas decorations and package everything up! Please register so we know we have enough help.

WE WILL MEET FOR TEARDOWN ON
Sat., January 10 • 9 a.m.

Scan/Click to Register



DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FALL: Teacher Luncheons

Support teachers and staff at McClintock Middle School with lunches on early release days. Volunteers needed to prepare dishes as well as help serve.

Next Luncheon Date: Nov. 19th

If you are interested in joining this team, contact Melinda Dale at melinda28226@hotmail.com

McClintock Partners In Education



DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY: McClintock Tutors

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McClintock Partners In Education

Volunteers needed to help tutor students needing extra help at McClintock Middle School, especially 6th grade math.

Contact Emma LeSaint if interested in volunteering:
emma.n.lesaint@gmail.com



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH **MOVIE NIGHT**

Wednesday, December 17

5:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the Pit

Join us for a cozy night around the couch as we watch a classic Christmas movie! We would love for you to join us!

Click/Scan to Register



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

FOSCOE TUBING RETREAT

**FOSCOE
HOME
TEAM**

February 6-8, 2026

Join us for a weekend in the mountains! High school youth will serve with Foscoe Home Team and spend Saturday afternoon snow tubing.

For lodging & meals we will be staying in Lutherock's hotel-style lodging, The Crow's Nest. Cost: \$100

Scan/Click to Register by 12/31
LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE



Children's Christmas Eve Service

Special service geared towards families with children aged 5th grade & younger with Christmas carols, fun stations & engaging story time

Wednesday, December 24
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Hand-in-Hand TEC Retreat



Take part in a faith-building experience where others share their faith stories & how being in Christian Community has affected their life. *Open to 9th graders through adults.*

January 17-19, 2026

at Tekoa Foothills in Casar, NC

\$50 • Click/Scan to Register>>
MORE INFO: tweller@christelca.org



MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Light the Knights Festival

Sunday, December 14

4 - 7 p.m. at Truist Field

All youth are invited to join us for an evening in Uptown Charlotte. We will meet up at church to drive together at 4 p.m.

Parent volunteers are also needed.

\$15 • Scan/Click for info & RSVP





FEED A FAMILY

DONATE onrealm.org/christelca/-/give/now

McPIE



ROOM IN THE INN

Christ Providence is now hosting our neighbors in need each Thursday evening - **overnight hosts, transportation/drivers, & one additional coordinator are needed!**



<< Info & Signup:
signupgenius.com
🔍 lane.goode@gmail.com

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2025 ADVENT SERIES
November 30 – December 21

Fear Not



christelca.org/sermon-series

SOUP KITCHEN

3rd SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH
at Roof Above

Serve up a warm meal for those in need!
Limited volunteer capacity.

To get Involved, contact:
Liza Snow liza.hack1994@gmail.com

McPIE

McClintock PARTNERS IN Education

Family Nights at McClintock
every Tuesday from 5:30 - 7:15 p.m.

To get involved, contact Angela:
adavis@christelca.org

NEW EPISODE EACH WEEK!

deeper dive

Led by Christ Lutheran pastors, Deeper Dive will tackle your big questions about religion & life.

Check it out now>>
christelca.org/podcast



Clothing Donations for Crisis Assistance

Bring new or gently used clothing to donate to our neighbors in need!

Drop off **CLOTHING ONLY** at the Outreach Office Mon-Fri. On Sunday, the blue bins will be outside the Outreach Office doors.

Questions? nealmann@bellsouth.net

-SMALL GROUP-

KNITTERS FOR CHRIST

meets the 3rd Sunday of each month • 10:00 a.m.

at Christ Providence
(Cornerstone Cafe)

ALL KNITTERS & CROCHETERS WELCOME



Prayers

- † Israel and Palestine War
- † Conflict in the Middle East
- † Nigeria
- † Caregivers
- † Prayers for escalating turmoil and divisions
- † Remove fear & bring peace in our community
- † Chris Simmons
- † Donna Emmans
- † Harper Nau
- † Diane Jones
- † Lauren Wright's mother, Deborah Cornwell
- † Kim Sciacero
- † Kristen Kilpatrick
- † Pastor Scott and family
- † Lois Witham
- † Susan McWhorter
- † Ashley and Stephen Deal on the birth of their twin girls, Maddie and Hallie. Proud grandparents, Steve and Mitzi Deal
- † Jane & Randy Satterfield's grandson, James Paul
- † Fred Reddel

Hospice List

- † Mark Lanoue's aunt, Glenda Baer
- † Ellen Zoutewelle's mother, Barbara Metzler

*The flowers today
are given to the Glory of God...*

In memory of Charlie Gluodenis,
from Anita Gluodenis

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

December 7, 2025

Traditional: 243

Bridge: 109

Contemporary: 257

Christ Online: 316 (Sun - Tue)



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— Our Ministry Leaders —



Dr. Scott Suskovic
Senior Pastor



Pastor Ryan Ritzmann
Evangelism
& Faith Formation



Pastor Adrienne Ladd
Family Ministries



Alexis Williams
Christ Online
Minister



Mark Johanson
Minister of
Music & Worship



Angela Davis
Director of
Outreach

— Serving in Worship —

Philip Biedenbender Minister of Music
Shelby Johns Tech Director
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Olivia Gerik Media Producer
Dennis Contreras Music Associate
Craig Cole Music Associate
Noah DePalma Tech Associate



FREE WI-FI NETWORK: CLC-Guest PW: OneChurch!

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