

Schedule and Announcements

Today

8:30 AM – Radio Program (AM 1150 / FM 92.9)

2 PM – Divine Service Rite II Worship (40th Anniversary Service)

Next Sunday

8:30 AM – Radio Program (AM 1150 / FM 92.9)

9:30 AM – Divine Service with Holy Communion Rite I Worship

Preacher: Rev. Jim Braun

Lector: Rev. Homer Mosley

Liturgist: Rev. Cody Anderson

Brass: Rev. Andy Burmeister

Organist: Mrs. Taylor Anderson

Thank You for Coming

Today couldn't have happened without the hard work of many people. First, we are gathered here today because of the Lord giving faith to these members to be faithful until the end. With their faith, they worked hard to clean and spruce up the church, and serve delicious food to everyone gathered here today, so the first thank you is to them and their dedication. Next, we want to thank our special guest pastors who have come to help with our service. Our guests reveal how special our history is. We see the Lord blessing His church, continuing to send men into the harvest field to administer us to Christ in Word and sacrament. We thank Pastor Jim Braun, Pastor Homer Mosley, Pastor Andy Burmeister, and Pastor Cody Anderson for leading us in worship. Thank you to all of our guests who came to visit. Our service wouldn't be possible without you. Whether you are new, or members in fellowship from our sister churches, we are happy to see you here today.

The 40th Anniversary Banner

Hanging in the front of church is a beautiful banner for our special service today. We want to give a special thanks to Kris Braun for this beautiful gift! This banner points to our history and the only reason we can continue our mission here in Klamath Falls. God has been our help and He will be our hope for years to come! Again, thank you Kris for this beautiful gift!

Tea Party Invitation

The ladies of Faith Lutheran Church in Medford have sent our ladies an invitation to join them for tea. Tea time is set for Saturday, July 18th, 12 PM – 3 PM. RSVP's can be made by calling Eleanor Miller at 760-904-8042.

Word of Greeting:

I fondly remember preaching at your congregation in July of 1992. The sanctuary was still under construction, but because of the membership's wonderful spirit, it radiated holiness and churchliness, even with all of the construction dust around. I am so glad to hear that your congregation is still thriving, administering God's grace through his means, of the word read and preached, the sacraments of holy baptism, holy communion and His Holy absolution. I remember my introduction of the that sermon that I had preached, discussing the children's book "The Little Engine That Could". May we always remember "that we can't", but that Jesus, "could", "does" and "will always do" for us.

His peace be with you and your congregation always,

Kent T. Dethlefsen

Christ Lutheran / Windsor CA

Dear members of Christ Lutheran,

We join you in giving thanks to the Lord of the Church for these 40 years in which He has blessed you as a congregation through His Word and Sacrament ministry. We are thankful for the time we were able to be among you, with many good memories of your love and faithfulness; and we rejoice in our ongoing fellowship with you in Christ and His truth. We pray for God's continued blessing on each of you, as He continues to strengthen and keep you in His loving care unto life everlasting.

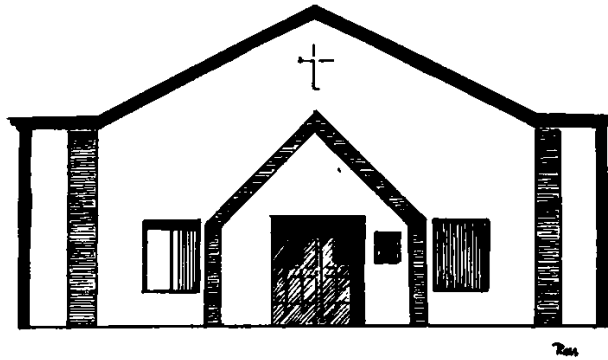
In Christ,

Rev. Glenn and Maria Smith and family

Our congregation wishes to congratulate you and your congregation on this the 40th anniversary of your congregation. Years ago some of our members attended a Mission Rally at your church while Jim Braun was pastor. Those were good memories. Please greet your congregation on behalf of Ascension Lutheran Church and its members. May the Lord continue to bless your preaching and teaching in that area of Oregon.

The Lord be with all of you,

Pastor Joe Burkhardt and Ascension Lutheran Church, St. Helens, Oregon.



During the summer of 1985 a group of members of Zion Lutheran Church in Klamath Falls felt it necessary to leave that church. These people went their separate ways for a short time and then decided to gather together and hold their own services.

James Braun was ordained and installed July 8, 1990. His parents Edward and Eleanor Braun came from Milwaukee to be with their son on this very special occasion.

Soon Christ Lutheran was functioning with renewed zeal and plans were being formulated for the future.

On May 15th, 1994, Exaudi Sunday, an invitation was sent to all for the dedication of the sanctuary we are now worshipping in for this 40th celebration.

More Greetings and Well Wishes

Presidential Greetings:

President Obenberger: May the Lord grant you a blessed celebration of His grace in the 40 years of Christ Lutheran Church's anniversary. Please bring my greetings to your congregation at this momentous occasion.

I will mark on my calendar the Women's Mission Rally at the end of September.

President Elect Mike Smith: God bless the celebration of the anniversary of Christ – Klamath Falls! Praise be for the faithful proclamation of his Word all these years. Thank you for the information regarding the mission rally. I will have to consult my rapidly-expanding calendar.

Dear fellow redeemed, greetings in the name of our Lord Jesu!

I rejoiced with those who said to me, “let us go to the house of the Lord.” Our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem. Psalm 122:1-2.

We rejoice with you on the occasion of your 40th anniversary as a congregation, faithfully serving the people of the Klamath basin, and most importantly our Lord. And all that time God has been with you and has blessed you richly in so many ways. As fellow redeemed, we are gladdened to see the manifest blessing of God on your fellowship. And we pray that Almighty God's richest blessings will continue in the future as you serve him with dedication and love. To God alone be the glory!

On behalf of your friends in Christ, Pastor Homer Mosley, for Christ Lutheran Church, Sutherlin, Oregon

Greetings dear brethren in the name of the One who calls us to be merciful just as our Father in heaven is merciful! What a joy to celebrate forty years of an open door and a lamp lighting the way in Klamath Falls! We, your brethren at Reformation Lutheran Church in Hillsboro, rejoice with you in God's mercy both to you and to your community. Yours is the privilege of maintaining the Road to Life in Klamath Falls. By the time you are reading this at your celebration, we in our Divine Service will have given thanks for you, and prayed for God's continued mercy toward you and the area in which your light shines. May the God of all mercy encourage you and keep your door open as you maintain the Road to Life where God has placed you. May your shepherds always be found faithful, and may you always bear much fruit unto eternal life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Steven R. Brockdorf and Reformation Lutheran Church. Reformation Lutheran Church

Beloved friends in Christ,

The psalmist invites us, *“Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord at night. Lift up your hands toward the sanctuary and bless the Lord. May the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth, bless you from Zion.”* (Psalm 134:1-3) What joy there is among God’s people to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Christ Lutheran Church in Klamath Falls, OR. The invitation to join in your celebration warmed my heart, and I would so love to be there among friends who have been so dear to me and Brenda. Unfortunately, circumstances did not allow us to be with you in person today, though we do hope to visit sometime in the future.

In the meantime, we rejoice with you that the Lord has preserved His Word in your presence and kept the Sacrament of His body and blood available to those who follow Jesus. At the same time, please remember that you all are daily in my prayers, and that I am exceedingly glad that the ministry continues among you who have so faithfully carried the banner of Christ Jesus our Lord all these years in a place where many do not yet accept His love and mercy. Furthermore, though we are not able to be with you today, physically, being bound together in Christ by faith, and in His care day by day, we know that we are together with you forever in God’s kingdom that has no end. May the Lord God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you in His infinite mercy and grace, today and every day.

Pastor Michael Muehlenhardt
English Lutheran Church
Cottonwood, MN 56229

Dear members of Christ Lutheran Church, Pastor Anderson, and honored guests, I would very much like to be with you today as you observe the 40th anniversary of your congregation, but it was not possible. In lieu of that let me address you through this letter.

Not long after my family and I moved to Oregon 25 years ago, we visited your congregation. I don’t recall with certainty what the occasion was, but I was struck by your friendliness and warmth. Since then, as you know, I have come over the Cascades to be among you many times, whether for some special event hosted by you, to serve you in vacancies or for one reason or another as circuit visitor. You have always made me feel welcome and, I suspect, you have engendered the same feeling in every and all the visitors you have welcomed into your midst over the course of your 40-year history. That warm welcome surely flows from the name you gave to this congregation 40 years ago: Christ Lutheran Church, Christ, who says to us all, “Come to Me all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28) In the means of grace you continue to hold out to all who come into your midst the rest for men’s souls that our Savior came into the world to give.

You have treasured the Savior who comes to you in word and sacrament, and have honored all the pastors, the ministers of word and sacrament, who have served you with Christ week after week all these years. I pray that our gracious and loving God will continue to comfort and strengthen you through the ministry He has sustained in your midst that you will always have this rest for yourselves and will winsomely and warmly share it with others.

In Christ our Lord,
S. R. Sparley, Pastor and Circuit Visitor