



The Beacon

August 2017

**Christ Ev.
Lutheran
Church**

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**Divine Worship
Services
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday - 6:30
p.m.**

**Bible Study &
Sunday School
Sunday 10:15**

Heh, Coach!

This past summer has seen another set of unsung heroes giving generously of their time and skill to our community's kids—I'm referring to those dedicated volunteers who coach Superior's baseball and soccer teams! It is a pleasure to watch coaches transform a group of wild, rambunctious kids into an athletic team. They learn the basics of the game along with strategy and plays, gain new skills, acquire an appreciation of the benefits of hard work, respect, self-discipline and good sportsmanship. All of this is accomplished, in large part, because of the positive modeling, teaching and encouragement of their coaches.

It strikes me that coaching our kids should not be limited to the ball field or hockey rink. The Bible speaks of the roles of parenting and grand parenting as a kind of coaching position. St. Paul encourages fathers to bring up their children *"in the discipline and instruction of the Lord"* (Eph. 6:4; cf. Deut. 6:4-9).

As we wind up the last month of summer, parents, let's consciously see ourselves as coaches of our kids. God has given us the responsibility to teach our children the basics of 'the game of life,' especially as it relates to the things of God.

What qualifies us to be coaches? Great question! Being a good Christian coach for our kids requires that we have something to teach them! That's why each Sunday we are intentionally learning together the basics of 'the game of life.' It looks something like this:

- Each week we as a parish (our team) learn together a key passage from the Bible and a section from Luther's catechism. The pastors and teachers (our coaches) teach it in church, Sunday school, Bible studies and confirmation classes.
- But here's the important part (and the fun part for those of you with kids!): we give you resources that you can use at home! Every day you will have good solid resources to use in modeling and sharing the strategy and skills your kids will need in 'the game of life' (the Christian faith).
- The basic resource is a page you receive each Sunday called *"Christ's People Pray."* It gives you a form for family prayer that incorporates readings from the Bible, the Catechism and hymnal. Other resources are added on a regular basis.

As much as I enjoyed watching my kids play ball under the tutelage of others, it is even more personally rewarding for me to teach/coach my own kids. That's true whether the skill is fishing or soccer, but it is especially true of the precious life skills of living as a Christian.

Heh, Coach, I am wishing you all the joy of coaching your kids and grandkids into mature young Christians. There is no greater or more fulfilling role than that!

See you on Sunday!

Pastor Schoessow

Fall/Winter Worship Schedule Begins Sunday, September 10

Sunday

Divine Service – 8 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult/Teen Bible Studies – 9 a.m.

Wednesday

Divine Service – 6:30 p.m. & Bible Study – 7:30 p.m.

Reformation 500

Concordia University, St. Paul, the MN South District, and the MN North District invites you to join us in celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation October 28-29, 2017.

Together we will honor our Lutheran heritage with worship service featuring a sermon from LCMS President Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, performances from mass youth, and adult choirs, instrumental ensembles and more. There will also be the play "Luther" on campus and a display of Reformation archives in CSP's library.

For more information: CSP.EDU/REFORMATION500

Rally Sunday Pig Roast

With the success of the pig roast last year the board of education planning for a pig roast and potluck on Rally Sunday again this year following the 2nd Service on Sunday, September 10, 2017. We plan to have a Bounce House for the youth of the congregation, and a Pig Roast put on by B&B Market. The event is planned to be a potluck and gives you all a chance to be involved in the food, fun, and fellowship.

We will be posting a sign-up sheet on the office door for sign-up on Sunday, August 6, or you can contact Roni at 715-398-3680 or clcoffice320@gmail.com and give her the message.

On the sign-up sheet, you will be asked: 1) your name, 2) how many will be in attendance, and 3) the food item being brought for the potluck. We will have to give B&B Market the number of people attending 7-10 days in advance to make sure there is enough pork for everyone, **so we are asking for your commitment "no later than" Sunday, August 27.**

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

I want to take this opportunity to thank all Officers, Board members, and the many seen and unseen members who have served the Church in the past year. I also want to extend a huge thank you to those members serving the Church in Officer and Board positions in the 2017-2018 Church year. Our Church would not be what

it is today without "everyone's" dedication to service, stewardship, and generosity.

"This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Thanks again for your efforts and God Bless.

Don Hauser

Boards Resume

All boards could still use a few people especially the Altar Guild. Each board meets once a month, here are the current meeting days and times (subject to change);

Altar Guild – Quarterly

Board of Deacons – 2nd Monday @ 5:30 p.m.

Christian Education – 2nd Tuesday @ 5 p.m.

Stewardship/Evangelism – 1st Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m.

Church Council – 2nd Thursday @ 5:00 p.m.

These meeting times are subject to change as the new boards meet and get underway.

Your 2017 - 2018 Board Members:

Welcome to our new and returning board members:

President: Don Hauser

Vice-President: Jim Lemmerman

Secretary: Sharyn Vengrin

Treasurer: Wayne Ploetz

Deacons: Jim Lemmerman, Millie Derick, Chris Kirchoff, Lois Teich, Mike Kramer, John Allen, Jim Bolin, Bud Brand, Caryl Lehto

Stewardship: Len & Peg Campbell, Peder & Jean Becken, Kirk Schield, Jim & Barb Johnson, Dave & Mary Severin

Education: Elisabeth Hannula, Joye Bedard, Marilyn Pingel, Roni Hauser, Debbie Winans, Helena Frost, Shannon Allen & Amy Kirchoff

Trustees: John Robinson, Andy Anderson, Shane Kroeplin, Mike Kramer, Ken Bedard.

Thank you to everyone for their service, if you volunteered and are not listed please contact the office.

Sunday School Starts

The fall quarter of Sunday school begins on September 10 at 9 a.m. Classes are offered for grade pre-k through high school and Bible study for adults. We have an exciting year planned and hope your family is a part of it.

Parents need to come in and register their children on the first day, you can do this in the classrooms in the Sunday school wing after Pastor's opening.

Then worship together as a family in one of our Divine Services (8 & 10:30 a.m.).

Please join us at the Rally Day pig roast after the 10:30 a.m. service. There will be a bounce house, and great food.

Church Council Minutes July 13, 2017

Members Present: Wayne Ploetz, John Robinson, Don Hauser, Jim Lemmerman, Robert Raaflaub, Len Campbell and Sharyn Vengrin
Absent: Pastor Schoessow, Pastor Schield and Liz Hannula

Call to order: Don Hauser

Call for additional agenda items: None

Opening Prayer: Don Hauser

Minutes from Council Meeting: Jim made the motion to accept the June 8, 2017, 2017 minutes John seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Schoessow: None

Pastor Schield: Worship Services-10 Bible Studies:

1 Visits: 20

Community ministry events: 1 Summer Sunday School: 4

New Business:

Summer Sunday is going well-not many students; those who attend are enjoying it.

Will continue to visit members, those baptized from outside, visitors, in actives visited and talked with all but one family of those who attended Camp who do not have a church home and invited children to Sunday school this fall. Will follow up again in August.

Was able to be a small part of Youth camp. June 26-30, visited with children and parents, attended Camp staff meetings about how days went.

As always, thanks again to all who have supported me in so many ways!

Treasurers Report: Ending Balance: \$27,789.31.

John made the motion to accept the ending balance.

Seconded by Len. All in favor. Motion carried

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Trustees Report:

Replaced two flood lamps behind the alter wall.

Contacted Belknap Electric to replace blubs in the lamp on the Dove on the front wall and also on a building lamp. They are scheduled to do it next week.

The kitchen is ready for the new dishwasher and other equipment. Contacted the supplier last week regarding

the shipping status, was advised that is should be shipped next week.

The lawn mowing crew is doing a great job, it looks good.

Met with Mary Ann Ross regarding refinishing of pews. She will work with contractor.

Board of Deacons:

Old Business: Shortage of Board members: Pastor gave Jim some suggestions of people to contact who might be interested in serving on the Board of Deacons. Jim will try to contact them. The Board of Deacons' is currently three members short.

Pastor has attempted to contact the local family that has a deaf member (s). He has left a message and will continue to attempt contact them personally to inform them of church services that are held for the deaf in Duluth.

Chris, Mike and Jim will develop a short survey to see who would be interested in using a church van to attend Sunday or evening church services/activities. Also who might be interested in driving the van for the various services/activities.

Lois is continuing to look into ways to use the chimes in our services.

Group did a short recap of the June 4th celebration of the 125th Anniversary of CLC. All were in agreement that it was well received. Thanks to everyone who worked to put it together.

New Business:

Pastor, Chris and Jim will work on ideas of how to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation/October Fest.

Roni sent a letter to the group informing us that letters have been sent to members who have moved from the area, but not transferred their membership. When possible she also sent along the nearest LCMS church to the residence. She also gave us a list of people who have not attended in five or more years that she has no contact information at all.

Review of Pastors and Elders Book-Chapter 6 will be held for the August Meeting.

The next meeting will be held August 14, 2017 at 5:30 pm.

Board of Stewardship & Evangelism: None

Board of Education: None

Memorial Committee: Bench has been received. Will be installed soon.

Endowment Committee: Education Fund: \$50.96- Prayer books for Confirmands.

Bob will write letter for Scholarship Fund to be paid.

Memorial Garden:

Phone call has been made to Fence Company.

New Business:

One Year Board appointments

Deacons
Carol Lehto
John Allen
James Bolin
George Brand
Jim Lemmerman

Church Improvement Program: This was discussed.
Joyful Response: LCEF-Automatic Pay-Tabled

Miscellaneous Mission Money:

Back on June 5th we had a door offering during our Anniversary Dinner for the Grand Marais Church, we collected \$235.00.

Since March we had \$250.00 donated under Undesignated Missions, in other words use it where needed.

I would like to propose that we add the undesignated mission amount to the money collected for the Grand Marais church, and donate a total of \$495.00 to the Grand Marais church.

Roni

Sharyn suggested that we add the undesignated mission collection of \$250.00 to Our Grand Marais Church as suggested by Roni. Jim seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Request to use Fellowship Hall: None

Next Council Meeting: August 10, 2017 @ 5:00 pm

Adjournment: Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by: Sharyn Vengrin

Voter's Minutes

May 21, 2017

Call to Order: Don Hauser

Opening Prayer-Pastor Schoessow

Call for additional agenda items

Minutes from February 19, 2017 Voters' Assembly. Len, made the motion that we accept the minutes as written. They were seconded by Dave. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Ending Balance: \$37,613.04. Dave made the motion that we accept the Treasurers' Report as printed. It was seconded by Millie. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- a. Officer/Committee Vote: Vote was taken as Block. Len made the motion that we vote for the block. Pastor seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Office and Committee Members 2017 Nominations

President: Don Hauser

Vice President: Jim Lemmerman

Secretary: Sharyn Vengrin

Board of Deacons term 8/1/17-7/31/20

1. Millie Derick
2. Chris Kirchoff

Board of Stewardship & Evangelism Term 8/1/17-7/31/20

1. Jim Johnson
2. Barb Johnson

Board of Christian Education Term 8/1/17-7/31/20

1. Roni Hauser
2. Debbie Winans
3. Helena Frost

Board of Trustees Term 8/1/17-7/31/20

1. Ken Bedard

Update Emergency Payment resolution

1. The Church Council, the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees are each authorized to make unbudgeted emergency expenditures up to \$1,500 per emergency. Motion passed 5/17/2009

Proposed Resolution

2. The Board of Trustees is authorized to make unbudgeted emergency expenditures up to \$2,000 per emergency. The Church Council and Executive Committee are each authorized to make unbudgeted emergency expenditures up to \$5,000 per emergency. Dave made the motion that we accept the proposed Resolution as stated above. It was seconded by Jim. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discuss re-charter of Boy Scouts. Back in

December 2015-LCMS no longer has association with scouts. Our statement of belief is that we are male and female. We must let our relationship with the Boy Scouts go. John made the motion that we not recharter the Boy Scouts. It was seconded by Jim. All in favor. Motion carried.

Purchase of Sanctuary Audio equipment.

We would like to purchase a Lapel Mike for Pastor Schield. This will allow both to talk. The approximate cost will be \$800.00. Wayne made the motion that we purchase the mike. Jim seconded. All in favor. Motion carried

Next Voters' Assembly: September 17, 2017 after second service

Adjournment: -Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by: Sharyn Vengrin

Stewardship

Winston Churchill reportedly said that "we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." According to Churchill then, our lives are defined less by what we have gotten, and more by what we give away.

Our Lord's life is defined in this way. He gave completely of Himself for us. He became man for us. He taught the truth of God's Word. He healed those with many and various diseases. He died the death that we deserve because of sin. He gave of Himself in order to save us

from sin, death, and hell. And so, it is that by giving completely of Himself, He got for Himself us, making us citizens of His eternal kingdom by grace.

As it was for Jesus, so it is also for us. We get more from giving than we do from simply getting. For giving softens our hearts and frees us from the grip which the worries of this world and making a living has on us. For when we are singularly focused on making a living, we are singularly focused on what we get. That mindset begins to bleed into all areas of our lives—our relationships with friends and family, with neighbors and coworkers, and with the Lord. It shifts our focus from asking the question—How can I be a friend, family member, neighbor, and servant to others—to asking the question—what have they done for me lately. We become more selfish instead of selfless.

But when we give, we do not have less, we have more because when we give we join in the bond of friendship and family, the bond of service to those around us out of love for them. And love is the fulfillment of the Law. It is the nature of God Himself, for God is Love. Thus we are reflecting the divine nature. As Jesus said “It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35).

Why? A Layman’s Guide to the Liturgy Why is green the color of the second half of the church year?

The color green is the color of life and growth, as foliage reappears in the springtime and remains throughout the summer. Therefore it is fitting that green be used for the second half of the church year, the period following Pentecost and Trinity (Pentecost and Trinity octave use red and white, respectively) until the end of the church year.

This period is appropriately subdivided into Trinitytide (from Trinity Sunday), St. John’s Tide (from the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, June 24), St. Laurence Tide (from St. Laurence Day, August 10) Michaelmas Tide (from Michaelmas, September 29), and All Saint’s Tide, also called the Last Sundays of the Church Year (All Saint’s Day, November 1). These subdivisions also serve to emphasize the various stages of the Christian pilgrimage, even summer itself has various stages.

Traditionally this period has been referred to as ordinary time, as opposed to the festival time of the church year which observes particular aspects of the mystery of Christ. Ordinary time therefore refers to the period of time for observing the mysteries of Christ in all their aspects, but none in particular. Perhaps for this reason, there is wide traditional precedent for counting the Sundays after Epiphany and the Baptism of Our Lord as belonging to ordinary time as well. However, the unity of the Epiphany theme throughout the entire period, the theme of the manifestations of the Lord’s glory, would suggest the use of white throughout that season, employing green only during summertime, as nature itself also suggests.

Nursery Worker Needed

We are still looking for a Nursery worker. The job pays \$20 per hour and lasts about 2 hours. The requirements are that you are over 18 and willing to work every Sunday. From Memorial Day – Labor Day it would be from about 9 a.m. until about 11 a.m., from September 10 until we go back to summer hours it would be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. You would be dealing with kids 4 to 8 years old.

If you are interested please contact the church office to fill out an application.

Attention College Students!

All our college students are invited to church on **Sunday, August 20** when we will specifically include you in the congregation’s prayers in a short rite of blessing as you go off to school. Please **RSVP by August 17** with your name, the school you are attending and your major.

As you make preparations for college, please inform the church office of your contact information, including email. We will stay in touch with you throughout the year and can also help you make contact with local LC-MS campus ministries or congregations near your school.

Parent’s Confirmation Meeting

Our congregation has a solid and exciting program for the catechesis (teaching) of our children (in the process of confirmation). An orientation meeting for parents and catechumens (learners) is on **Wednesday, September 13 at 3:30 p.m.** We will outline our “cradle to the grave” confirmation process and confirm our weekly schedule so that together we can enable our children to thrive in their Christian faith and life. Book purchases will be made on this day. Confirmation process starts for children in 7th grade. **Confirmation class begins that same day.**

Christ’s Men

Men, Let’s Do Lunch

Christ’s Men will meet on Tuesday, August 1 at 12 noon at the Upper Deck Restaurant at the Bong airport. This is an opportunity to gain guidance and spiritual support from God’s Word as well as an excellent opportunity for Christian friendship.

Did You Move? Or Someone You Know Move?

Summer is a time when many people move. If you or someone in your family has moved recently, please let the church office know your new address. If you have moved to another city, remember to transfer your church membership to one of our sister LCMS congregations by simply requesting a transfer from the pastor of the church you wish to be transferred to. There are many reasons to transfer your membership when you move, but the most important is that you will have a place close to home where you can regularly hear the Word of God

and receive the Body and Blood of the Lord in His Supper. So if you've moved recently, and distance keeps you from weekly worship at Christ Lutheran, now is the time to answer God's call by remaining faithful to our faithful Lord!

Defending the Faith, Teaching the Truth

Issues, Etc. is a talk radio show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio. Recent topics include: Same-Sex Marriage, Reformation *Solas*, Depression, Radical Islam, What Boys Need, Pro-Life Women and more. Listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

Food for the Local Food Shelf

The first Sunday of every month is when you need to bring in your donations of non-perishable food items for the local food shelf. You may put your items under the table in the narthex. This is given to those in need and then to the local food pantry.

Do We Have Your Current Email Address?

Are you receiving email from Christ Lutheran? If not, you are missing important and timely information from your church. We will not flood your inbox or share your email address (addresses are always hidden when sent from church). Please help us keep you informed! Call the office at 715-398-3680 or send it to clcoffice320@gmail.com

Looking for something?

The LCMS staffs the "Church Information Center", which offers a great deal of help and resources on a variety of topics. To contact the CIC with your questions, you may write: infocenter@lcms.org or call toll free 1.888.843.5267

Tips for Inviting People to Church

- ☉ Invite Someone You Know: Surveys show that a majority of persons first come to church because a friend invited them.
- ☉ Pray About Your Inviting: Ask the Spirit's help through prayer as you reach out to someone else
- ☉ Invite Persons In Time Of Need: People going thru the stress of change - a loved-one's deaths sickness, a new community, loss of a job, or a baby -can be served by the message of the Risen Christ around which the worship revolves.
- ☉ Invite Persons To Special Services: Special worship services are also times when people may be open to an invitation.
- ☉ Invite People In Your Own Way: There is no single "right way" even if your words may seem stumbling (to you), the Spirit will work through you.
- ☉ Invite People Because We Are Proud Of Our Parish Family: Because we know the "joy of



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salvation" in our worship, we will want others to share that joy and salvation.

- ☉ Invite People to Worship With You: Arrange to bring; them or meet them at church and sit and worship with them.
- ☉ Don't Give Up: Be gentle, but make sure a person knows the welcome mat is out.
- ☉ Ask Pastor For Help: He will be happy to help you in your inviting and he'll be happy to visit these people also.

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| 1 | Jill Austin |
| 2 | Millie Derick |
| | David Ritsche |
| 4 | Justin Michalski |
| | Kimberly Kroll |
| 10 | Patrick Flynn |
| 13 | Johanna Brown |
| 14 | Gene Loughren |
| 15 | Natalie Schultz |
| 16 | Jenny Schoessow |
| 17 | Robert Janicki |
| 18 | Doris Toms |
| 21 | Thomas Bedard |
| 20 | Barbara Johnson |
| 23 | Lorraine Kramer |
| 24 | Patrick Field |
| 25 | Connie Noble |
| | Jerry Broderson |
| | Patricia Nelson |
| 26 | Kevin Kroll |
| 27 | Dee Meadows |
| | LaVonne Hockin |
| 28 | Michael Miller |
| 29 | Don Hauser |
| 30 | Kali Magdzas |