



THE BEACON

June/July 2017

Christ Lutheran Church
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Sunday Divine Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Divine Service 6:30 p.m.

Summer Worship Schedule

Sundays

9:00 a.m. Divine Service
10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Wednesdays

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

These brief months find us enjoying summer to the max! But remember that Christians do not take a vacation from God (what if He took a vacation from us?). Worship faithfully this summer and find true "re-creation" for body, mind and soul. If you are out of town on both Sunday and Wednesday, and cannot worship with us, go to www.LCMS.org or call the church office for times and locations of Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod church services in the town where you will be vacationing.

“Standing on the Rock” Day Camp

Lutheran Island Camp’s Day Camp is coming to Christ Lutheran Church the week of June 26-30. This year’s theme is “Standing on the Rock”. Children ages 5-12 are welcome to register. . **The cost of the camp will be \$30 per child.** There are scholarships available. Registration forms are now available you will find them on the table by the office.

Please consider having your children attend this great camp!

CTK Scholarship Awarded!

At our 125th Anniversary celebration we awarded the Christ the King Memorial Scholarship. The first recipient is Mr. Josef Luther Muench of Hermantown, MN and a member of our sister congregation, Mt. Olive English Evangelical Lutheran Church in Duluth. He is a 2012 graduate of Hermantown High School and most recently a May 2017 graduate of Concordia University, St. Paul, MN. Josef has applied to and has been accepted to attend Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana. His area of study will be Pastoral Ministry with intent to earn the Master of Divinity degree. Josef received a \$2000 scholarship.

Church Office Summer Hours

During the summer months the office hours will be changing. The office hours will be Monday – Thursday 9:30 – 4:30. To start there will be no one in the office on Fridays. If Fridays don’t work it will switch to Mondays with no one in the office. If there are any questions please contact the church office.

Summer Sunday School

This summer, starting June 11 at 10:15 we will be offering Sunday school for children. Pastor Kirk Schield will be leading. Please meet in the sanctuary.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Confirmation class and graduates. Best wishes to you all.

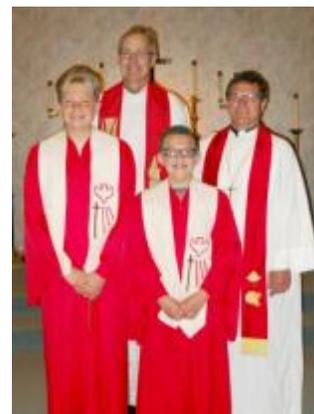
Confirmation: Aiden & Jonah Kropelin

High School Graduates: Tom Bedard, Superior High School

College Graduates:

Sara Schield, University of Wisconsin, Superior
Katie Stenroos, University of Wisconsin, River Falls
Bachelor of Science in Animal Science with a minor in Agriculture Education.

If you are going away to college or not living at home, please let the church know so we can have current information and stay in touch. If you graduated this year from either High School or College, and your name is not listed please contact the office so we may include you.



Pastor's Page

Summer is a time when we love to be outdoors. After what seems like a long winter and sometimes an even longer, colder spring we just want to get outside! As we spend time in nature enjoying its many wonderful sights, smells and sounds it's good to look at a hymn about the God who created and preserves it all for us to enjoy. The song is "How Great Thou Art."

To refresh our memory here are the words:

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power through-out the universe displayed;

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (chorus)

These two verses use word pictures to bring to mind those things we love about the world, and actually, the whole universe.

Sadly, we know there are things that go wrong in the world. Wars, earthquakes and tsunamis, floods and tornadoes, sickness and decay bring fear, destruction, and death. Why would God let those terrible things happen to his "awesome wonders?" The answer: Those were not part of God's plan for his created things—or for people—his created beings. *Our* sin brought with it the curse of fear, destruction, illness and death. But this next verse explains what God in his love did to rescue us, and to restore us and all things to a perfect relationship with him:

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin;

Just think of it—the sun shines because God has reconciled the world to himself through his Son, Jesus Christ. Because his perfect Son died, God's wrath over our sin is appeased. This means that all who trust in Jesus have forgiveness of sins, and therefore, peace with God.

If we are enjoying the day, it is a blessing from God. And even if, for whatever reason, we cannot enjoy God's awesome creation as we would like we can still have joy in the assurance that Jesus has died for our sins.

The last verse of the hymn goes like this:

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great thou art!"

Heaven is that place where we will be in his perfect, loving, awesome presence forever. Then, for all of eternity we will be able to say, "My God, how great thou art!"

Pastor Kirk Schield

Church Council Minutes

May 11, 2017

Members Present: Pastor Schoessow, Pastor Schield, Wayne Ploetz, John Robinson, Don Hauser, Len Campbell and Sharyn Vengrin

Absent: Liz Hannula and Bob Raaflaub

Call to order: Don Hauser

Call for additional agenda items: Request! Secretary Hours: 9:30-4:30 4 days a week in summer!

Opening Prayer: Lead by Pastor Schoessow

Minutes from Council Meeting: Jim made the motion to accept the April 13, 2017 minutes Len seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Pastor's Schoessow's Report: No written Report. Office requested for Pastor Schield.

June 4th, 125 Anniversary. Fall Rally. Maybe Oktoberfest.

Pastor Schield's Report:

Old Business:

Thanks to all who made my installation memorable
Thanks to all who have shared suggestions for improvement

Visited those listed on cradle roll

New Business:

Will continue to visit members, those baptized from outside, visitors, inactives

Will be a part of Youth Camp in June

Will meet with youth leaders to plan activities, here or with other circuit churches

As always, thank you to all who have supported Pastor (me) in so many ways so far!

Treasurers Report: Ending Balance: \$34,396.04 Len made motion to accept the ending balance. Seconded by Jim. All in favor. Motion carried.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board of Deacons:

Old Business: 1. Shortage of communion assistants remains a concern. Discussion held about the issue.

2. Pastor reported that Peace in Christ in Hermantown has a deaf service once a month.

Local family that has a deaf issue will be informed of the service.

3. Chris gave a report on his informational search about the possibility of us buying a church van. A survey may be needed. Also a Van Committee. Tabled use of chimes until next month.

New Business:

1. 500th Anniversary of the Reformation was discussed at length. Pastor gave us a short report on planned activities around the Minneapolis/Duluth/Superior area. This will be the 4th Sunday in Oct.

2. The celebration of Christ Lutheran's 125th Anniversary on June 4 was discussed.

3. An October fest discussion was held on how to educate and also celebrate the reformation. Serve German Food-Form 3 or 4 Committees

Review of Pastors & Elders Book-Chapter 6 will be held for the June Meeting.

The next meeting will be held June 12, 2017

Trustees Report: John will fix small toilet. Tom and John will fix shingles on the roof. Tom and John will fix the portable lectern. The Floors need waxing. Transmitter ordered. Light on Dove needs to be replaced. The circle around dove needs painting. John will do this or see that it is done.

Board of Stewardship and Evangelism:

Old Business: Suggestions for Greeting Visitors: Len brought this to the April Council meeting for consensus. Council advised we insert the document in the Bulletin to get the message out. This will be done soon.

Explore Opportunities for Meals for Homeless: Jean gave a report on opportunities to serve at the Damiano Center in Duluth. She found there are options to volunteer to prepare and serve meals. Members felt this was a good idea and that our Board would schedule a time to volunteer to see if this is something that would work for our congregation.

Explore Opportunities for Clothing Drive:

Peg gave a report on an opportunity for a community outreach project. She visited Our Savior's Lutheran Church to gather information on free children's clothing drive they sponsor called "Threads of Hope." This program has been offered for 8 years, and gives away about 3,000 items of clothing annually.

Donations are solicited mainly through the church membership and include: New and gently used items, clothing from newborn through age 14, blankets, bedding, toiletries, socks, etc.

Hours of operation: Monday-Thursday, 9 am to 1 pm, and Tuesday, 5-7 pm.

Programmed organized and operated by church members, including youth.

No limits on income or number of items taken. Open to the public.

Christ Lutheran's participation, depending on the need in response to our contact with Our Savior's would be to request donations from our members and drop off at Our Savior's with a note: "Donated from Christ Lutheran Church" and include a Bible verse. The Board of Stewardship/Evangelism feels this is a viable program for Christ Lutheran to participate in and help others in our community.

In addition to the program described above, we would contact local agencies, I.E., CASDA, Boys & Girls Club, etc., to find out if there are needs we may be able to help them with. We would present the needs to the congregation and ask for donations. Items collected would be packaged in the same manner as described above for the Threads of Hope program and delivered.

Board of Education:

Cradle Roll: Pastor Shield has made home visits to those families with infants/toddlers

Nursery: Mary will not continue supervising the nursery after July or August. Suggestions for a replacement?

Sunday school:

1. Start staffing for fall. Look at projected numbers. We may combine classes to make three groups (PreK-K+Grades 1-3+Grades 4-6) Prospective

teachers: Marilyn, Shannon, Sue, possibly Wendy and Kathie.

- Plans for the end of the year. Children will sing May 21 Marilyn and Kathie have planned a scavenger hunt. Summer birthdays will be recognized. (Roni will compile a list of baptism birthdays for next fall)
- The two pastors may also hold a summer Sunday school

Summer Camp:

- Finances: We will announce a cost of \$30 per child and have committed to covering the remainder
- Sara will distribute pamphlets to the schools
- Rummage sale May 20 8:00-2:00; Roni will put ads in the newspaper; Roni and Dick will prepare the room
- Kitchen and food help Marilyn and Shannon will coordinate (and possibly Mary Pat + Kathy Field)
- Thursday evening supper and program? Yes-a good idea-we will announce it ahead of time
- People willing to host LIC staff: Frost family, Ploetz family

Youth Group

- Lutheran Island Camp summer gathering for grades 9-12: August 18-20 Cost is \$100 per child, but we will cover \$70.00 of it.
- Bible Bowl: We should know the assignment by fall (competition in March)
- Confirmation is June 4 (Kroeplin boys)

Items for Council:

Fall kick-off dinner/pig roast?

Roni and Sara need to be reappointed; Deb Winans and Helena Frost are joining

Don please announce the LIC camp

Next Meeting: June 11 at 8:15

Memorial Committee: No Report

Endowment Committee: No Withdrawals

Memorial Garden: We are looking into a new fence.

Old Business:

a. Constitution Update

- Discuss Membership sections of Constitution and Bylaws: Discussed
- Board nominations for Voters' Assembly: By May 21, 2017
- Boy Scouts-Will bring up at Voters' Meeting

New Business:

- Questions about the 125th lunch/brunch-This will be a catered brunch.

Requests to use Fellowship Hall: None

Next Council Meeting: June 8, 2017 @ 5:00 pm

Adjournment: Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by: Sharyn Vengrin

Voter's Meeting 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:

- 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

- Millie Derick
- Chris Kirchoff

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

- Jim Johnson
- Barb Johnson

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

- Roni Hauser
- Debbie Winans
- Helena Frost

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

- Ken Bedard

Update Emergency Payment resolution

- 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

- 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.

d. 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

June

One of the best known and beloved psalms is Psalm 23, the Shepherd Psalm. There we learn that the Lord is our shepherd. And since He is our shepherd, we will not want. We will not suffer want because the Lord, our shepherd, will lead us to green pastures and beside still waters. In other words, the Lord, our shepherd, will provide for all that we need in both body and soul.

Yet, we live as though this is not the case. We live as though we actually suffer from want, that the Lord, our shepherd, will not provide for all that we need. And thus, we live as though the Lord is not our shepherd. And that means that we live as though we are not the Lord's sheep.

How do we do this? We do it when we put anything else before Him and His provision for us. When we think that going to work is more important than receiving the gifts that He won for us on the cross, a violation of the First and Third Commandments. We do it when we fail to give generously of the first fruits of what the Lord has provided for us because we think we don't know what the future will bring, even though He has promised that He will lead us to green pastures and still waters. We do it when we think that the Lord is only in the business of helping those who will help themselves, we do this because we have a mind set on earthly, temporal things and not on heavenly, eternal things. We do this because we have stopped hearing the call of our shepherd, which comes through His Word.

The Word of God is how our shepherd calls us to himself. Through that Word, the Holy Spirit gathers and enlightens us with His gifts. Through that Word, we are kept holy and nourished in the one true faith, the faith that follows our Shepherd wherever He leads us. He promises to lead you to your true home, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to a better country, not of this world, but a heavenly one.

And so, here's the good news: The Lord is your shepherd still, even, and especially, for wayward sheep. For Jesus seeks and saves those who are lost. He finds the lost sheep and carries them back to the fold. He is the shepherd that lays down his life for His sheep. The Lord is your shepherd. Let us live then as His sheep.

July

"I will bless you . . . , so that you will be a blessing" (Gen. 12:2). The Lord blessed Abraham so that he would be a blessing. How did He bless Abraham? He promised that from His seed would come the savior of the nations. And Abraham believed that promise, trusted that the Lord would provide it just as He had promised. Thus, everything Abraham did was colored by that promise. He willingly gave of himself and his household in service to the Lord in view of that promise.

Our Father in heaven has richly blessed us. Not only has He given us everything that we need to support this body and life, but He has also provided, that promised seed in His Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. He is the savior of the nations. He is the redeemer of the world. He is the one who has conquered sin, death, and the power of the devil by His death, resurrection, and ascension.

Just as we are richly blessed, we are also thereby freed to be a blessing. Since God has endowed us with His gifts, we are set to endow others. Thus, we give of the blessings we have received so that others may be blessed. We do this in our homes, our communities, and our churches. We press the blessings God has lavished upon us in service to those around us. We use our time, our talents, and our treasures to be a blessing even as they have been a blessing to us.

The Lord blesses us. And He enlists us to be a blessing to others. So, whenever you put that envelope in the collection plate, when you set out to serve at the local food pantry, when you sit down to help your kids with homework, think of this: The Lord has blessed you, so that you will be a blessing.

Wednesday Community Outreach Visits

Members of the congregation are invited to join Pastor in making neighborly visits in our community on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. (*During the summer we will not go every Wednesday. Watch the church calendar*). Going in teams of two, we will welcome individuals who are new in the community, those who have worshipped with us, or have in some way expressed an interest in Christ and His church. If you know of someone to contact, please inform pastor or the church office. Or if you would like to help but cannot do so on Tuesdays, contact pastor to set up another time.

Please contact pastor or the church office at least one day before if you plan to participate.

Summer Bible Study Schedule

Bible study is offered during the summer at 10:15 a.m. after the Sunday Divine service.

Camp Arrowhead

Any Youth interested in attending Camp Arrowhead the summer the brochures are here and are located on tables in the narthex. Camp Arrowhead is a weeklong camp for youth in grades 3-12. For more information please pick up a brochure.

Thank You to Our Sunday School Teachers

Another year of Sunday school has flown by with the last day of Sunday school being May 21 and the Board of Christian Education would like to thank all of our hard working Sunday school teachers who work hard teaching our children the Word of God, and bringing the love of Jesus to them. So when you are dropping your kids off be sure to thank them for their devotion to your children. Our Devoted teachers are:

Pre K – Kindergarten – Marilyn Pingel
1st & 2nd Grade – Shannon Allen & Susan Isackson
3rd – 4th – Kathy Allen & Joye Bedard
5th – 6th – Wendy Schultz
7th Grade – Youth – Helena & Dominic Frost
Elisabeth Hannula – music
Pastor Schoessow – Confirmation & Adult Bible Study

Shannon Allen for doing the Nursery Roll, which sends out cards and stuff to the kids who are not old enough for Sunday School.

And to the substitutes that helped out.

Also, Thank you to Pastor Schoessow and Pastor Schield for leading the kids in the opening each week.

Thank you to Marilyn Pingel for assuming the Sunday school Superintendent role, she is doing a wonderful job!

Please consider teaching for the 2017/2018 year, help is really needed.

Youth Upcoming Events

All 7th - 12^h grade youth are invited to attend any or all events! We study God's Word in a variety of ways -music videos with today's current Christian artists, creative Bible lessons, and issues that relate to the youth! Join us! Bring a friend!

MN North District Youth Gathering

“Standing on the Rock” August 18-20, 2017

The Minnesota North District and Lutheran Island Camp are partnering together to provide a weekend for high school youth in the MN north district. This gathering is intended for youth to serve, learn, grow in faith and knowledge, and have fun.

The theme for the Gathering is “Standing on the Rock”. It is based on the on the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. There will be some great speakers, enjoying both Lutheran Island Camp and Christ Serve Ranch, excellent meals, participate in amazing worship

experiences, and celebrating 65 years of ministry at Lutheran Island Camp.

The cost of the Gathering is \$100, any members of CLC who are interested in attending some of the cost will covered, depending how many wish to attend. For more information contact the church office.

Sunday School Teachers for 2017/2018

The Board of Education is looking for new/additional Sunday School Teachers for the 2017-2018 school year. We have added new faces and our Sunday School is growing.

We would like to add at least a few more teachers to our staff. Curriculum is provided and we will support and train anyone who is willing to step forward and teach our youngest church members. If they have any questions, please contact the church office or Marilyn Pingel.

Greeting Cards Available in the Library

The library is well stocked with new cards for birthday, anniversary, sympathy, "thinking of you", get well, thank you, Baptism...cards for every occasion. Cost is only 50 cents each. If you're looking for a card for your Guardian Angel, we have it!

Summer musicians:

Vocal and instrumental!

As the choir disbands for the summer there are 30 opportunities (Sunday and Wednesdays) for you to share your musical gifts in honor and praise of our Lord Jesus. Don't be shy. Be bold to share your talents. Contact pastor.

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! Send it to clcoffice320@gmail.com

Looking for something?

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*August Newsletter
Submissions are due by
July 15*



**Fly Your Flag
Proudly on
Wednesday ,
June 14th**

June Birthdays

- 1 Janet Kroll
- 3 Lydia Bennis
- 5 Sarah Nestrud
- 6 CLC
Robert Raaflaub
Kory Telfer
- 8 Kathie Nikula
- 9 Jay Thompson
- 11 Mercede Mullikin
- 12 Jeffrey Makela
- 13 Harlow Filteau
- 15 Tylar Brand
- 16 Aiden Kroeplin
Weston Ormsby
- 18 Alice Dailey
Lars Root
Sara Kroeplin
- 19 Vicki Lull
Eric Johnson
- 22 Karl Schroeder
John McMillian
- 23 William Doane
Brian Amundson
Bruce Johnson
- 25 Jill Markee
- 26 Joseph Campbell
Kirby Aho
- 27 Peder Becken
Rebecca Harkabus
Emeline Larson
- 28 Dennis Austin
Ivy Bennis
- 29 Ramona Cornelison
- 30 Evelyn Reinkall

July Birthdays

- 1 Gloria Jablonski
- 2 Kara Brown
Jakob Kidd
Gabriel Kroeplin
- 3 Hope Fudally
Lois Geiger
- 5 Harla Lemmerman
- 7 Harris Balko
- 8 Craig Schneuer
- 9 Melanie Sternberg
- 10 Cheryl Magnusson
- 12 Sylvia Bloxham
- 14 Cheyenne Pierre
- 15 Nick Lull
- 19 Shannon Allen
- 21 Dane Blomquist
- 23 Shannon Durand
- 24 Matthew Markee
- 25 Joanne Pitt
- 26 Robert Sorenson
Danika McLaughlin
- 27 Scott Winans
Hannah Kidd
- 29 Clarissa Thompson
- 30 Michael Kramer
Leone Syring



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