



The Beacon

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Divine Worship Services

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Sunday School

Sunday - 9 a.m.



“I am Making Everything New!”

The Risen Christ Offers Hope in the Midst of Disease and Death.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Now, I know that by the time you read this article for the June newsletter Easter Sunday will be a several weeks behind us. But I’m not ashamed to sound like a broken record. After all, the good news of Jesus giving His life for the sins of the whole world and then raising himself from the dead to prove that he is indeed God never grows old!

The Bible talks about God’s mercy being new every morning. That’s the truth! Lately, I’ve heard many people say that they’re glad spring is (hopefully!) here. I’m glad too. Spring is such a great time of year because new plants come up, new leaves pop out on trees, and all sorts of new things happen.

That’s what it looks like on the outside. But sadly, even in springtime things get old and decay. Even in spring people get sick and die. Some of the older folks here go to funerals regularly as they have lost loved ones or friends. You know people who are struggling with cancer or Alzheimer’s, etc. Do we happen to know a lot of old or unhealthy people? No, it’s simply that one doesn’t have to look very far in our own community and church family to see that disease and death are on our front doorstep.

But with Easter there is hope that continues past that one Sunday and into eternity! The central message of Easter is not chocolate bunnies or egg hunts, as the world would lead us to believe. The chief message of Easter is one of hope for all people in the midst of trials and tribulations, sickness and death.

Christ is risen! Yes, “the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”(Romans 6:23) And this gift is like no other. By God’s grace through faith it is ours today! This gift means that no matter what our circumstances we can have a positive outlook on life today, and the assurance of new life to come in heaven.

One of the great scenes from the movie “The Passion of Christ” is when Jesus is carrying his cross through the streets of Jerusalem to the place where he will be crucified. He can barely stand or walk as blood and sweat rolls off his severely scarred body. He soon falls down and the cross crashes down on top of him. His mother comes rushing to his aid, kneels down, and tries to comfort him. Though Jesus is in great pain, with intense hope in his eyes he looks at Mary and says, “Behold, I make all things new!” Even with the weight of the world’s sin crushing down on him and the literal weight of the cross upon his body he still utters words of hope. Jesus, the Son of God, knows that through his death and resurrection all things are truly new, both now and forevermore!

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Pastor Kirk Schield

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.

CTK Scholarship Awarded!

This year's recipient is Mr. Jacob Franck of Duluth, MN and a member of our sister congregation, Mt. Olive English Evangelical Lutheran Church in Duluth. Jacob graduated this spring after being homeschooled. Jacob will be attending Concordia University- Chicago in the fall. His area of study is the Pre-seminary, Theological language & Philosophy. Jacob has received a \$2000 scholarship.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our graduates. Best wishes to you in all of your future endeavors.

High School Graduates:

Samuel Kroeplin, Northwestern High School. Will be serving his country with the Marines.

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.

VBS Day Camp

Lutheran Island Camp's Day Camp is coming to Christ Lutheran Church the week of August 5-8. Children ages 5-12 are welcome to register.

The camp is from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food is provided. The campers will spend their time mostly outdoors (weather permitting), there will be Bible Studies, games, crafts and activities. Breakfast, lunch & snacks provided. There may even be a field trip. **The cost of the camp will be \$30 per child.** There are scholarships available.

Please consider having your children attend this great camp! Registration forms will be available the beginning of June.

We are still accepting donations from the congregation, if you would like to sponsor a child or two let us know.

We will need some volunteers to help with getting ready, serving, and clean up for the meals at most a couple of

hours each day. Time slots would be the breakfast (7 – 8:30 a.m.) and lunch (probably 11 – 1, not sure). If this would be something you are interested in doing so please save the dates and let either Marilyn Pingel or the church office know.

Housing Needed!

We need host families to put up the counselors while they are here. They need a place to sleep and eat dinner. Probably need at least 2 families to host. Please contact the church office if you are willing to host. If we cannot find host families we would have to put up the counselors in a hotel, an expensive option in the summer.

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the rummage sale on May 18, it was a great success. We were able to raise \$1100 for the day camp in August. Thank you to everyone who helped set up and cleanup.

Why? A Layman's Guide to the Liturgy Why do we confess the Creed after hearing the Gospel?

During the Sunday Divine service, the Nicene Creed is confessed after the Gospel has been heard. Thus we express our belief that the Christian faith which we confess is given *by* the Gospel we have heard. In some settings of the Divine Service, the Creed is confessed before the Sermon, and in others, it comes after the Sermon. In the former case, where the Creed comes before the Sermon, we express the conviction that the Sermon should be rooted in the Gospel as we have confessed it, and that it should not deviate from this faith. In the latter case, however, where the Creed comes after the Sermon, this former conviction is simply *assumed* to be the case, which, by some reckoning, actually makes the conviction a stronger one. At the same time another conviction is implied, namely, that the Gospel when it is preached is as much the Gospel as when it is heard in the Readings. In either case, to confess the Creed immediately upon hearing the Word is to imply that faith comes by hearing, that is, to acknowledge the power of the Word to create the faith we confess.

According to traditional rubrics, the Creed is said during all feasts of the first class, feasts of our Lord, and Sunday feasts, but is omitted during any other weekday Services. This is to elevate the status of the feasts.

Church Council

May 9, 2019

Members Present: Pastor Schield, Len Campbell, John Robinson, Jim Lemmerman, Mike Kramer, Wayne Ploetz and Sharyn Vengrin

Call to order: Jim Lemmerman

Opening Prayer: Pastor Schield

Call for additional agenda items: None

Approval of Minutes: Len made the motion to accept the April 17, 2019 minutes and Wayne Seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Pastor's Report: Verbal: Confirmation June 9, 2019
Pastor will be making visits again.

Treasurer's Report: Checking Account Balance:
\$13,227.90. John made the motion to accept Checking
account Balance as written. Len seconded. All in favor.
Motion carried.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board of Trustees: Mission Sign is being fixed the
fixing of the roof is ongoing.

Board of Deacons: Communion Asst. Training, talking
about flags in the sanctuary, Bible Study suggestions,
Delinquent Member list was discussed.

Board of Stewardship: Didn't have a meeting this
month. Checking on Project 24. Pot luck on June 9th.

Board of Education: No Report

Memorial Committee: March 2019 Designated Funds:
Kitchen \$50.00 Landscaping: \$151.25 Music: \$1,429.50

Memorial Fund Balance: \$6,973.80

Endowment Committee: Youth Fund: Christ Lutheran
Church National Youth Gathering \$2,000. Scholarship

Endowed Fund: Scholarship-Jacob Franck \$2,000

Memorial Garden: Resting Nicely!

Old Business:

- A.** Report from committee on document storage.
There was some discussion. Maybe they could
be scanned.
- B. Purchase "Made in His Image DVD Series" 4**
DVD set – Miracle of Birth, Marvel of eyes,
uniquely human hands, Beauty in motion from
Institute for Creation Research, for Bible Study
and Library – Jim-DVDs have been received, bill
for \$41.14 submitted: Jim received this.
- C. Report from Nominating Committee:** List was
presented. Len will send final copy to Jim.

New Business:

Business that needs to be brought before Voter's
Assembly, May 19th.
Jim is assembling this.

Requests to use Fellowship Hall: None

Next Council Meeting: 5 p.m., Thurs., June 13, 2019

Adjournment: Lord's Prayer

Voter's Meeting

May 19, 2019

Opening Devotion: Jim Lemmerman

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Len and
seconded by John that we approve the agenda as
written. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Reading and approval of minutes from February 17,
2019. Approval

Admission of new members: None

Transfers & Releases: List attached. John made the
motion we approve the list. Peg seconded. All in favor.
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-Balance: \$13,227.90. Motion was
made by Sharyn and seconded by John to approve the
Treasurer's report as printed. Motion carried. All in favor
Reports of Officers and Board- printed in Church
Newsletter.

Old Business:

1. Roof repair-still not completed, need to get final
EIFS applied. EIFS is an acronym for Exterior
Insulation and Finish Systems. The product is
also called synthetic Stucco and refers to a
multi-layered exterior finish.
2. Need to increase/replace insulation in some
areas and look into some way to prevent ice
dams. We will check on flashing and Insulation

New business:

Election of officers and Board Members.

President: Jim Lemmerman

Vice-President: Frank Bowman

Secretary: Sharyn Vengrin

Treasurer: Wayne Ploetz

ALL THREE-YEAR TERMS

Board of Deacons:

1. John Allen
2. Jim Bolin
3. Audrey Kidd
4. Jim Lemmerman
5. Mike Miller

Board of Stewardship & Evangelism:

1. Jean Becken
2. Peter Becken
3. Ashley Demars

Board of Christian Education

1. Jill Markee

Board of Trustees

1. Jeff Allen
2. Dick Lull

Motion was made by Len and seconded by John to
make a Block Vote: All in favor. Motion Carried.
Adjournment. Len moved and Wayne seconded that we
adjourn.

Closing Prayer:

Next meeting: September 15, 2019

List of members released:

Stephanie Burgraff

Christine Horivatch & Wyatt Thompson

Tim Schultz

Carol Nelson

Corrie Rubel

Amy Rygg & Brandon Berndt

Paul & Elizabeth Baxter

Bob & Shar Mike Family

Dan & Sara Jones

Abby Glawe

Phyllis & Lauryn McCurley

Tom Burd

Brett Reinkall

David Aller

Emily Aller

The following names have been transferred to other
congregations:

2019

Ken, Kara, Johanna Brown & Jacob Pearson-Klein –
Mark & Gigi Koenig

2017

Schuttee Family, Ryan, Tessa, Lillian, Keaton, Natalie
Ron & Olive Kruse
Jessica Pipkorn
Danette, John & Elle Seboe
Luke Johnson
Darrell, Kathy & Rebecca Dugdale

Stewardship

Some disciples of John the Baptist were questioning him about the baptism and preaching of Jesus. Many disciples were going to Jesus instead of John the Baptist.

John the Baptist answers: "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven" (John 3:27).

John the Baptist says this to show that Jesus, His teaching, and His baptism are from heaven. God provides everything we have in body and soul.

We are taught this in the meaning of the Apostles' Creed in the *Small Catechism*.

In the First Article of the Creed, we learn that God has made us and everything in the universe.

"He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him."

In the Second Article of the Creed, we learn that God sent His Son, Jesus, to humble Himself by taking the form of a servant.

In so doing, He "has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity."

In the Third Article of the Creed, we learn that the fruits of what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, did are given to us through the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

"That I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ."

Indeed, "a person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven."

But how easy is this for us to forget? How easy is it for us to think that what we have in life is because we have earned it?

How easy is it for us to forget that all our skills – the abilities of our hands and minds, the ethic to work diligently, and the desire to improve – is given to us from heaven, just as John the Baptist said?

How easy is it for us to forget that it is Christ alone, and the work of the Holy Spirit, that reveals His salvation to us, delivers it to us, and that none of this is our doing?

Sure, we have responsibility for coming to church, for delving into God's Holy Word, and for praying without ceasing.

But even these responsibilities are given to us from heaven. These duties are not earned; they are given in response to what He has accomplished for us.

Everything we have, and everything we are – in both body and soul – are gifts from God in heaven.

Let us then respond in thanksgiving and give back to Him as He asks – with a first-fruits, generous proportion offering of what He has given to us.

Summer Bible Study Schedule

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

Sunday School Teachers for 2018/2019

The Board of Education is looking for new/additional Sunday School Teachers for the 2018-2019 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.

LWML Meeting

All women are welcome to join us for our monthly Lutheran Women's Missionary League meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m., here at Christ Lutheran. We will share in devotions, a Bible study, a short business meeting and fellowship. If you have any questions please contact Donna Manos at 218-729-5056.

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

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Online Information

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lcms.org

Minnesota North District Website
mnn.lcms.org

Lutheran Witness Online
www.lcms.org
Click on 'Lutheran Witness' in left column

LC-MS Synod Radio Stations
www.kfuo.org—or—classic99.com
www.issuesetc.org

**Information on Pregnancy, Parenting
& Adoption**
getrealwithyourself.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



June Birthdays

- 1 Janet Kroll
- 3 Lydia Bennis
- 5 Sarah Nestrud
- 6 CLC
Robert Raaflaub
Kory Telfer
- 8 Kathie Nikula
- 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
- 22 Karl Schroeder
John McMillian
- 23 William Doane
Brian Amundson
Bruce Johnson
- 25 Jill Markee
- 26 Joseph Campbell
- 27 Peder Becken
Rebecca Harkabus
Emeline Larson
- 28 Dennis Austin
Ivy Bennis
- 30 Evelyn Reinkall

July Birthdays

- 1 Gloria Jablonski
- 2 Jakob Kidd
Gabriel Kroeplin
- 3 Hope Fudally
Lois Geiger
- 5 Harla Lemmerman
- 7 Harris Balko
- 9 Melanie Sternberg
- 10 Cheryl Magnusson
- 12 Sylvia Bloxham
- 15 Nick Lull
- 19 Shannon Allen
- 21 Dane Blomquist
- 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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