



Legend of the Sand Dollar

Author Unknown

There's a lovely little legend
That I would like to tell
Of the birth and death of Jesus
Found in this lovely shell.

If you examine closely
You'll see that you find here
Four nail holes and a fifth one
Made by a Roman's spear.

On one side the Easter Lily
In its center is the star
That appeared unto the shepherds
And led them from afar.

The Christmas Poinsettia
Etched on the other side
Reminds us of His Birthday
Our Happy Christmastide.

Now break the center open
And here you will release
The five white doves awaiting
To spread Good Will and Peace.

This simple little symbol
Christ left for you and me
To help us spread His Gospel
Through all Eternity



We will seek God's will, share God's love, and serve as Christ's people.

Saturday:

5:15 pm Saturday Evening Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday:

9:00 am Sunday School (September—May)

10:15 am Worship (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays)

Broadcasts:

Sunday, 11:30 am Worship broadcast on Radio KJOE FM 106.1

Wednesday, 10:00 am Worship on Television Channels 3 & 67

Executive Council

Luke Schneider, President
 Mike Stelter, Vice President
 Whendy Gass, Secretary
 Ronda Radke, Treasurer

**Remember to check us
 out our Mobile Friendly
 Website:**

christinslayton.weebly.com

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 Lutheran Church”

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Prayer Requests

Call the church office at 507-836-8291, or e-mail us with your prayer requests. If you want a pastoral visit or would like to be included in pastoral prayers during worship, please call the church office.

Address, Phone & Email Corrections

Christ Lutheran maintains a database of all members. If you have had any changes to your address, phone number, marital status, etc. please contact Dawn with your name and the changes that need to be made.

If You Are Ill

Hospitals no longer notify churches when their members are admitted for care. Please call 507-836-8291 and let us know so we can support you with prayer and with presence.

“But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,” – *Romans 3:21-24 NRSV*

As a child, I remember my brother having a necklace with the words, “I am a Lutheran” engraved on it, along with Luther’s Rose. I’m not sure how often he wore it. I assume he received it as a Baptism gift. But, I was always a little jealous because I didn’t have my own necklace. I thought it would be pretty cool to wear something that identified me as a Lutheran.

I’ve been a Lutheran all of my life. As a young adult, I explored other denominations and even worshipped with my Roman Catholic friends on occasion. But, I’ve come to realize that I like being a Lutheran. I’m not one to boast about being Lutheran, but I am grateful to be a part of a church that focuses on God’s promises and grace as our source of hope and salvation. I also appreciate our shared convictions that Luther first discovered in Romans about the universal nature of sin. Paul says in Romans 3 that everyone has sinned. That means 100% of us are sinners in need of God’s saving grace. We are justified by faith that comes from Jesus Christ.

I realize, however, that not everyone shares my enthusiasm about the Lutheran Church. Some say our worship is boring. Others complain that we talk about sin too much. Still others criticize our commitment to working for peace and justice in the world.

I don’t expect others to share in my convictions. I do, however, hope that we, as Lutherans, will speak with confidence about who we are and what we believe. As we join in celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, it is a good time for all of us to refresh our knowledge and understanding of what it means to be Lutheran. This fall, on October 31, 2017, we will join others throughout the world in remembering that day when Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses on that church door. In preparation for this day, I encourage you to study scripture and learn all that you can about what we mean when we say, “I am a Lutheran”.

During Lent, we focused on the various parts of Luther’s Small Catechism. I’ve heard from many who appreciated this and found it helpful to return to what they learned many years ago in confirmation. Perhaps it’s been awhile since we’ve put as much time and energy into learning about our faith as we do when we are confirmation students. It’s not too late to change this.

I challenge you in the months to come to renew your commitment to learning not just what it means to be a Lutheran, but also what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ who longs to grow in your own learning and discipleship. I also encourage you to find ways to be better equipped as a Christian leader both in your own congregation and in the world.

If you are looking for good resources, websites or other learning opportunities, please speak with me or Pastor Ted. We are happy to share as we are able with you.

See you in church!

Pastor Dawn

Rejoice! Christ the Lord Is Risen.



CHRIST LUTHERAN –FAITH LUTHERAN
Joint Council Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:59pm, Faith President Marvin Isder
 Members Present: Pastor Ted Kunze, Pastor Dawn Quame; Faith Lutheran: Marvin Isder, Bill Neilson, Karen Frisk, Leroy Prahm, Cheryl Thiner, Jim Jens
 Christ Lutheran: Ronda Radke, Sue Isder, Dan Haken, Whendy Gass, Mike Stelter, Luke Schneider and Kim Holm. Theresa Nysetvold and Nikki Cheskie were guests at the meeting.

Devotions were led by Pastor Dawn, followed by prayer

Pastors' Reports given

Discussion of the Partnership between the congregations. What have been the strengths:

Worship either place, giving more worship options (ability to go where it fits in their schedule)
 Working together opens limits that other congregations may have – flexibility, talent
 Congregations are both very appreciative of the time given by both pastors

Financial – 2 pastors allows for coverage

Bumps in the Road:
 Furnace went out at Faith Parsonage recently, but it was soon repaired

Improve:
 Communication

Business of Joint Concern:
 Discussion happening at Faith about the future of the congregation
 Letter was sent to Christ Lutheran as required by the partnership

Discussion took place about Faith's current position both financially and spiritually.
 Faith is planning 2 congregational gatherings for study, evaluation and prayer, focusing on what's right, what they have built, respect for those who have come before them
 The first gathering will be soon after Easter, the second this summer, and in August a financial assessment
 Need to look at the ministry more than the numbers

Parish Agreement Discussed:

100 members on Faith's membership roles
 Evaluate changing the parish agreement
 Transitions team from Christ: Luke Schneider, Ronda Radke, Theresa Nysetvold, Nikki Cheskie. Faith will soon name their representatives.
 Christ's involvement at this point is minimal, there is no sense of urgency
 Faith will keep in contact with Christ and let them know if there are any changes that could be made to the parish agreement

Holy Week Schedule:
 Palm Sunday – Normal Times
 No Wednesday Service
 Maundy Thursday - FLC – 5:30 CLC – 7:00
 Good Friday Maple Lawn – 10:00 CLC – 7:00
 Easter Vigil CLC– 5:15
 Easter Sunday – Normal times with the addition of a 7:00am service at CLC
 Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm
 Respectfully Submitted,
 Whendy Gass
 Recording Secretary

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Council Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 pm, by President Luke Schneider
 Members Present are: Ronda Radke, Sue Isder, Dan Haken, Whendy Gass, Mike Stelter, Luke Schneider, Kim Holm and Pastor Ted Kunze.
 Pastor Dawn Quame met with the Faith Council, but joined us at the end.

Agenda approved as printed M/S/P Whendy/Dan

The minutes of the February 26, 2016 were approved as printed. M/S/P Mike/Ronda.

Financial report was presented by Ronda. Discussion took place - Offerings way down in Feb. - not even enough to pay the pastors salaries. Synod Support discussed
 Approved as printed. M/S/P Whendy/Ted.

Old Business:
 Appointments
 Sharon Staples has agreed to serve on the Pastor \ Parish Relations Committee
 Others are still pending
 Synod Delegates – no volunteers as of yet.

Elaine Donaldson Bequest – we will be receiving approximately \$17,000.00 worth of stock – there will need to be research and discussion before deciding what to do with it.

New Business:

Grant Rohrer request: Going on a Mission trip to Haiti with the Basketball team at Northwestern, and requesting financial support from the congregation.

\$500.00 from Elsie Cole Memorial if available M/S/P Ted/Kim Coffee Hour donations one Sunday.

Equipping the Saints Fund is a grant we received several years ago – The use of the funds was discussed and the Synod “Equipping Gods People” would be a good fit for part of the grant monies. Motion to give \$6000.00 to the Synod for “Equipping Gods People” M/S/P Mike/Sue

Gustavus Adolphus Association of Congregations Annual Meeting is 04/22/2017 – Looking for delegates

April Meeting Discussed – 2nd week of April is Holy Week – April Committee Meetings (7:00pm) and Executive Council Meeting (8:00pm) will happen as usual

Board Reports Mission Outreach:

No Report

Parish Education:

Bible School Prep began 2017-2018 Sunday School schedule:

Rally Sunday – 09/10/2017
3rd Grade Bible presentation – 9/17/2017

Christmas Program – 12/10/2017

Vacation Return - 01/07/2018
Last Day Sunday School – 05/06/2018

Planning on serving a Wednesday night meal
Kim is the contact person for the committee

Property and Management:

Sidewalk Replacement on north side estimate \$970.82. Possibly is the Building Renovation fund. Motion made to approve replacement up to \$1000.00
M/S/P Whendy/Mike

Fire Extinguisher Replacement – 5 permanent rechargeable done by Ash Wednesday. The rest are not in need of replacement. They were good until 2020.

Tree replacement still pending – will follow up with VIP Floral

Stewardship:

Newsletter insert discussed
Framework for Stewardship Sunday discussed (April 22-23)

Women of Christ Lutheran:

Baked Potato Dinner successful - \$1622.00 raised plus \$500.00 Thrivent Dollars

Mission Growth is working with Health Ministry Team for a Mind, Body and Spirit Program in June – The community will be invited

Mission Community and Jean Sagmoe still welcoming babies with baptismal quilt

Request in newsletter for musicians to play music for Hospice patients and their families occasionally

7 Baby quilts sent to Helping Hands Pregnancy Center in Worthington

Baby Care Kits for Lutheran World relief are being assembled – still need dark colored had towels, bath size mild soap and baby socks

WCLC unit meeting is March 15 at 9:00 – Clean the Kitchen day

Upcoming events discussed – Information on these events is on the WCLC bulletin board

Shetek Conference Spring Gathering April 22

SWMN-WELCA 30th Synod Convention May 6

National Triennial Gathering July 13-16

We will again participate in the Shetek Lutheran Ministries Quilt Auction and ask each circle to plan a silent auction basket

Worship and Evangelism:

New Committee members taught how to schedule Holy week scheduled
Organized yearly schedule

Youth:

Serving soup suppers during Lenten services while Confirmation is not in session. Will resume the WWAM meals once Confirmation starts again. Both the soup suppers and the WWAM meals have been well attended and have received positive feedback. Thank you to all the volunteers that have stepped up and made the meals possible.

Wednesday Discipleship at the Freeman's has been well attended and the kids are enjoying it. It has been a great thing for those that are confirmed to have somewhere to go on Wednesday nights.

Looking into setting up a trip for our youth and will discuss it at an upcoming meeting. We haven't had a big trip for a while and will ask the kids for input once Confirmation resumes again.

Fellowship and Service:

No Report

Respectfully Submitted,
Whendy Gass
Recording Secretary



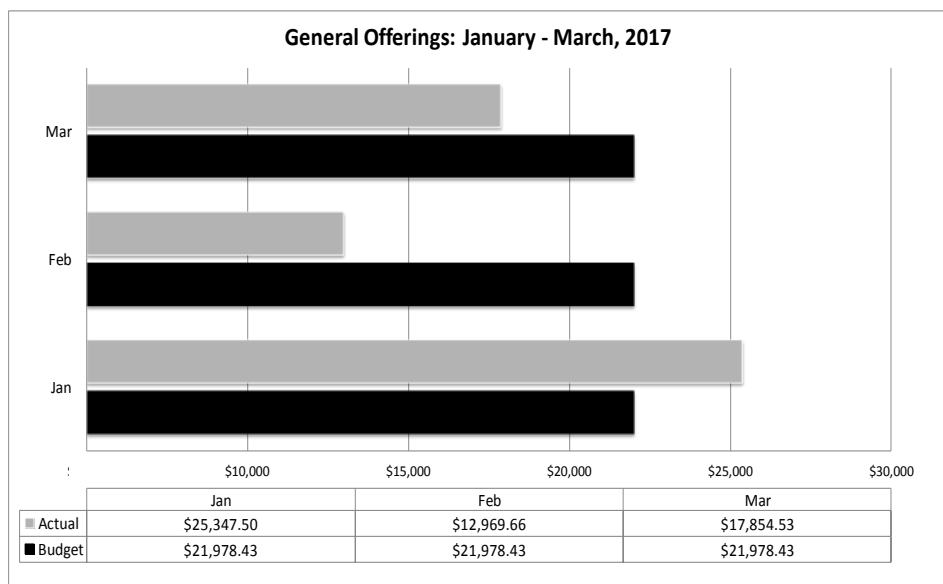
On this page you will find a brief overview of the month's offerings. It is our goal to provide you with actual, updated information about Christ Lutheran's financial status. Following our annual meeting, the congregation voted on the 2017 budget. The budgeted amount for general offerings breaks down to \$21,978.43 each month to cover our anticipated ministry expenses. In addition we will need \$1,982.02 each month to meet our Synod Mission Support goal.

~Ronda Radke, Treasurer
& Dawn Mouw, Office Manager

Here's a look at where we ended January:

Beginning Balance:	\$	8,446.18
Receipts:	\$	14,437.76
Expenses:	\$	22,102.60
Ending Balance:	\$	781.34

The gray bar shows our actual offerings through March 31.
The black bar is our budgeted offering total.



Many of us have discovered how helpful automatic electronic payments can be for those really important commitments we don't want to forget – the mortgage, insurance, utilities, etc.

Our gifts to the Church are also really important matters which could be budgeted and scheduled in this way. Our donations are a response to God's blessings, and fund the ministry of the Church in our congregation and throughout the world. Automatic electronic giving assures that our support of the church continues even when we are vacationing, home sick, or snow-bound.

Online Giving—Recognizing that some of us prefer to use our credit card for most transactions, the Stewardship Committee is encouraging you to use your smartphone to scan this QR code which will take you directly to the church website christinslayton.weebly.com. You will be able to quickly add your personal information on this secure site.



Automatic Giving—Another option for automatic giving is to withdraw your donation directly from either your checking or savings account. You can choose to have your donation taken out either on the 15th, or on the last day of the month, or at both times. Forms are available on the shelf in the narthex or on our website. Once you have completed the form, please return it to the church office.

IRA Distributions—If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can make "qualified charitable distributions" to the church and not include the IRA distribution as part of your taxable income. This can help people make direct gifts to ministry and save taxes! Could this help you? For more details talk to your tax person, or call Amy Bigot, Regional Gift Planner with the ELCA at [763-443-3750](tel:763-443-3750) or email at amy.bigot@elca.org. There is no charge for her service.

Holy Week Services

Please join us for these special worship services during Holy Week as we remember what Jesus has done for our salvation:

Palm Sunday—April 9th; Worship at our normal time of 10:15 as we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into the city of Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11)

Maundy Thursday—April 13th; worship at 7:00 PM. We remember Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples when he washed their feet (John 13:1-15) and instituted the sacrament of Holy Communion (Matthew 26:17-30). We will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion along with 5th graders who will be receiving it for the first time. The service ends with the stripping of the altar, as Jesus was humiliated that night.

Good Friday—April 14th, worship at 7:00 PM. Join us for this meditative service which includes the Stations of the Cross portrayed by our members, as we reflect on Jesus' death for our sin. (Or you can join our friends at Faith who will be in the Chapel of Maple Lawn in Fulda at 10:00 AM for a service reflecting on Jesus' 7 "words" from the cross).

Easter Vigil—Saturday, April 15th at 5:15 PM; We gather in the Social Hall, thinking of the disciples hiding in the Upper Room following Jesus' crucifixion. We hear stories of God's great triumphs and reaffirm our faith as we anticipate the good news of Easter.

Easter Sunday—April 16th; services at 7:00 AM and at 10:15. In this festive service we celebrate the Good News of Jesus' victory over the power of sin and death (Matthew 28:1-10).



Good Friday "Stations of the Cross"

Christ Lutheran Church will be offering a Live Stations of the Cross experience on Good Friday, April 14 at 7:00 pm. All participants will have the opportunity to journey through live portrayals of some of what Jesus endured during his final hours here on earth, including his arrest, trial and death. Following this, we will gather for a brief reflective time of worship in the sanctuary. Anyone is welcome to participate in this event as an actor or by helping with staging, costumes or organizing and assisting with details. Consider making this an essential part of your Holy Week experience. Please contact Pastor Dawn Quame for more information.

Easter Breakfast

Make your Easter Sunday complete! Join us at Christ Lutheran for a delicious Easter brunch sponsored and served by Christ Lutheran Youth on Easter Sunday, April 16th following the 7:00 am Sunrise Worship until 9:00 am. Breakfast will include rolls, muffins, fresh fruit, juice, milk, and coffee. Free will donations will be received and will go towards future youth trips and other missions. Bring your entire family!

Attention 7-12 graders. In order to make the Easter brunch successful, we need your help! Please donate fresh fruit, juice or milk by April 14th, and contact Kari Mathiowetz if you are able to help serve or clean up.

Confirmation Resumes

After taking a break from class for Lent, our Confirmation classes will resume on Wednesday, April 19th at 7:00 PM for a special lesson on Jesus' resurrection.

“Equip God’s People”

Our Southwestern Minnesota Synod is beginning a special fundraising effort that they call, “Embrace God’s Mission; Equip God’s People.” There are several parts to this emphasis, trying to strengthen ministry in our congregations by addressing some needs that have been recognized.

The “Equip God’s People” portion will be making some resources available for pastors, but it also emphasizes the need for training lay people for the work of ministry. Our Synod is already experiencing a shortage of pastors willing to serve in our part of the state, and this problem is projected to get worse. We will need to train lay people to preach and lead worship, and serve in other leadership positions.

Our congregation for about 15 years has had a fund called, “Equipping the Saints” that began with a grant from Lutheran Brotherhood (predecessor to Thrivent). The intention was to provide funds for training lay people in our congregation for ministry. This has been rarely used, so our Church Council voted to give \$6,000 from that fund to this appeal of our Synod. This money will now be used to “Equip God’s People” throughout our Synod for the work of ministry!



EMBRACE
God's Mission
EQUIP
God's People

Grant’s Mission to Haiti

Grant Rohrer, who is finishing his freshman year at Northwestern College in Orange City, IA will be going to Haiti this summer for a mission project. His basketball team will be going to that impoverished country through a group called, “United Christians International.” They will be helping to build a house and will also host basketball clinics as they build relationships with children and youth. The group is raising \$20,000 for travel expenses and building supplies. The Church Council voted to contribute \$500 from the Elsie Cole Global Mission fund, and we are planning to have a Coffee Hour so that you can have an opportunity to contribute, too. Or, you can donate online at www.nwciowa.edu/raiders4haiti

Radio Broadcast Ministry

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Radio Broadcast Ministry in 2016. Checks (\$65) can be made out to Christ Lutheran with “Radio Broadcast” in the memo or you can pay online by visiting our website. April 23 and 30 are the next dates available.

Confirmation Pictures Wanted

We are looking for confirmation pictures from the following years:






1933, 1934, 1935, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1948, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1957, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1995

Your pictures will be scanned and returned to you. Joyce Larson and Gayle Davidson are working on this so please feel free to contact them if you find any of these pictures. Or call the church office and let Pastor Dawn or Dawn Mouw know.... Thank you so much!

Down, In, And Out!

The weekend of April 22 and 23 our Stewardship Committee will lead us in special worship services. We will learn three movements in stewardship—Down, In, and Out. Curious? Join us for worship and learn what this is all about!

Christ Lutheran's Calendar for April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Pastor Ted Kunze</p> <p>Pastor's Home # 507 -836-8136 Cell Phone # 507-995-4277 E-mail: pastorkunze@ gmail.com</p>	<p>Pastor Dawn Quame</p> <p>Pastor's Home # 507-335-7855 Cell Phone # 507-829-7584 E-mail: dawnquame@ gmail.com</p>	<p>Worship Service is broadcast every Sunday morning @ 11:30 am on KJOE FM</p>				<p>1</p> <p>5:15 Worship w/Holy Communion</p>
<p>2</p> <p>8:45 Worship @ Faith 9:00 Sunday School & Adult Class 10:15 Worship w/ Holy Comm/Coffee</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 WCLC Board 9:00 Comm @ Sun- rise 10:15 Comm @ Golden Living 11:30 Sack Lunch Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 WCLC Board 9:00 Comm @ Sun- rise 10:15 Comm @ Golden Living 11:30 Sack Lunch Bible Study</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 Worship on Channels 3 & 67 7:00 Lenten Worship 7:45 Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 Exercise Group 5:15 Bible Study Leaders</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5:15 Worship w/Holy Communion</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Palm Sunday 8:45 Worship @ Faith 9:00 Sunday School & Adult Class 10:15 Worship/Coffee</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 Love Circle</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:15 Comm @ Lin- denwood 11:30 Sack Lunch Bible Study</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:30 Peace Circle 10:00 Worship on Channels 3 & 67 1:30 Faith Circle 7:00 Committees 8:00 Executive Coun- cil</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Maundy Thursday 10:00 Exercise Group 5:30 Worship at Faith 7:00 Worship with 1st Communion</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>Good Friday 10:00 Worship at Maple Lawn 7:00 Worship</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>Easter Vigil 5:15 Worship in the Fellowship Hall</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Easter 7:00 Worship w/ Communion 8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Worship @ Faith 10:15 Worship w/ Communion</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Office Closed</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>11:30 Sack Lunch Bible Study</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:00 Worship on Channels 3 & 67 5:30 5-6 Choir 6:00 Meal 6:40 Confirmation 7:00 Choir</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:00 Exercise Group</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5:15 Worship w/Holy Communion</p>
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<p>30</p> <p>8:45 Worship @ Faith 9:00 Sunday School & Adult Class 10:15 Worship Coffee</p>						



Our Mission:
To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

April Visitation: Faith

Bible Study Leaders

Thursday, April 6 at 5:15 pm

Peace Circle

Wednesday, April 12 at 9:30 am

Bible Study Leader—

Hostess—LeAnn VanMeveren

Faith Circle

Wednesday, April 12 at 9:30 am

Bible Study Leader—Ruthie Nelson

or Audrey Fletcher

Hostess—Joyce Larson

Love Circle

Sunday, April 10 at 7:00 pm

Bible Study Leader—

Hostess—Kim Holm

Quilting

Monday, April 24 and

Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00 pm

Handmade Greeting Cards are available in the Library for \$1 each. Proceeds will go to WCLC.

Come As You Are~

We've been in Texas for about two months living in our travel camper at an RV park. We enjoy the folks we meet, many from Texas but others from across the US. Many of them are in Houston for the same reason we are—grandkids, some are here for medical care, and many are working folks. We also enjoy the warmer temps and sunshine to be sure. Doing lots of walking and outdoor activities without a winter coat is wonderful and good for the body, mind and soul!

We have also really enjoyed worshipping at two ELCA churches here, New Life Lutheran and New Hope Lutheran. One Sunday we sang one of my favorite contemporary songs that keeps coming to mind weeks later. It seems that people everywhere have burdens amid the many joys of life. I'm going to share the words (see the next page) and invite you to come as you are and lay down your burdens at the foot of the cross as we move through Lent and look forward to the Good News of Easter. Thankful today for God's love. See you in church~ Ruth Hoyme

Join Us For Exercise

Join us in an exercise group to help maintain mobility, balance and ambulation. The Health Ministry Team is sponsoring this light exercise program which meets each Thursday at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. For more information or questions, call Lorna Bader or Dorothy Almer.



Funeral~

Mark Nelson—passed away March 9

Funeral held at Christ Lutheran on March 13

Carolyn Azad—passed away March 25

Funeral held at Christ Lutheran on March 30

Baptisms~

Evan John G—March 11

Son of Vince G & Samantha K

Theda Joy R—March 25

Daughter of Jason & Dareth R

***Come As You Are***

Written by Louie Giglio, Chris Tomlin, Matt Maher

Refrain: Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.

All who are broken, lift up your face.

O wanderer, come home; you're not too far.

Lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.

Come out of sadness wherever you've been.

Come, broken- hearted, let rescue begin.

Come find your mercy, O sinner, come kneel.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.

Hope for the hopeless and all who have strayed:

sit at the table and come taste the grace.

Rest for the weary, a rest that endures.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure.

Come as you are now; you're never too lost.

Fall in His arms at the foot of the cross.

Joy for the morning, O sinner, be still.

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.

Ongoing Ministry Projects:

- **Yarn & Yak**—the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 am in the Chapel Lounge. This is a time to visit, share ideas, and learn from each other as we work on prayer shawls, baby hats, or other items. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Bring your projects!
- **Birthday Bags**—Murray County Food Shelf is in need of Birthday Bags. The bags contain a cake mix, a can of frosting, candles, balloons, and birthday plates and napkins. All donations can be placed in the birthday shopping cart just inside the church doors.
- **Quilting**—April 24 & 25, 2017

John Beech, Mitch Bonnsetter, Vera Chmela, Bernice Crompton, Joan Dahlgren, Sheldon & Judy Dean, Lori De-Greeff, Robert Domina, Gladys Feste, Cody Finke, Elayne Finke, Allison Grieme, Orv Grieme, Spencer Gurrola, Dan Haken, Laurie Hardekopf, Scott Hegstad, Evelyn Herder, Marilyn Hoffman, Iris Idler, Irene Johnson, Julia Johnson, Amie Rowden-Kidd, Samantha Kirchner, Lynn Knutson, Alan Kramer, Tony Krant, Bob & Betty Like, Carl Lindberg, Elsie Lindberg, Kristin Martin, Monica Morgan, Duane Nelson, Kim Nesmoe, Avalon Paulson, Amy Petersen, Lynda Petersen, Floyd Schadt, Robert Sellman, Maxine Skouge, Mary Ann Suedbeck, Charles Swan, Katie Ullrich, Christopher VanMeveren & Harold Yotter

Continue to remember in prayer ~

- ◆ Those dealing with cancer and other long-term illnesses.
- ◆ Members who are shut-in
- ◆ Service men and women
- ◆ Those who mourn the loss of loved ones



"Tip Night" at Pizza Ranch April 24

Come to Pizza Ranch in Slayton on Monday, April 24th for a special fundraising event. We expect to have five students going to ELCA colleges next year, so we are building up our ELCA College Scholarship fund. These families and some others will be working that night clearing tables and being helpful. You can give a tip that will be a donation to that fund--and Pizza Ranch will share 10% of their proceeds from 5 to 8 PM that night. Let's pack the Pizza Ranch in support of our youth! See you there!

A Special Adult Education will be led by Pastor Dawn J. Quame on Sunday, April 30 at 9:00 am at Christ Lutheran Church. Pastor Dawn will be sharing what she learned from her recent coaching experience with Tom Schwolert from Vibrant Faith Ministries. Please join us to learn more about how we as a church might develop a more vibrant faith as individuals as well as a congregation in the 21st Century. This coaching experience was paid for by your offerings and funds from Christ Lutheran's Endowment Fund.

Plan Now For Bible Camp!

Summer may seem a long way away, but **this** is the time to make your plans for summer Bible camp, and to get registered. Brochures are available at the church, or you can go online at www.shetek.org There are many different programs available—for families, for parents (or grandparents) with young children, for elementary, Junior High and High School students. Check it out! Scholarship help is available from the congregation to encourage you--\$50 for mini-camps and \$200 for full week or specialty camps. Forms for these scholarships are available at the church or on our congregation's website: www.christinslayton.weebly.com

Worship Assistants for Lent & Holy Week

Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 pm

Ushers: Adam Winter, Chayce Johnson, Colin Christensen,
Power Point: Keigan Behnke Nathaniel Kleven
Adult Help: Scott & Heidi Winter
Pianist: Brenda Whitehead

Thursday, April 13, 10:15 am

Maundy Thursday

Acolytes: Carli Moline, Savannah Boerboom
Lector: Nancy Boerboom
Communion Assistants: Jan Cuperus, Darren Saner
Ushers: Darren & Lisa Saner, John Moline, Grace Moline
Power Point: Arlyn Stokesbary
Organist: LaDean Lang

Friday, April 14, 5:15 pm

Good Friday

Acolyte: Morgan Winter
Ushers: Dick & Gayle Davidson
Power Point: Rossow Family
Pianist: Theresa Nysetvold



WHERE YOUR CHURCHWIDE OFFERING GOES

As members of the ELCA, our faith in a loving, caring God frees us to be bold and courageous, open to the Holy Spirit's invitation to be active in the world. The sharing of our time, talents and financial resources are meaningful ways that we show Christ's love in our communities, our country and the world. Mission Support is the portion of offerings that congregations share with synods and the churchwide organization for God's mission beyond the congregations. These dollars are put to work on your behalf in the following ways:

32.8% Coordination and support of ministries

- Coordinating relationships and activities between synods and churchwide ministries
- Providing communication and technological support to ministries across the church
- Supporting mission through research of attitudes, practices and trends
- Planning and evaluating the work of the ELCA locally, nationally and globally
- Providing administrative and organizational services for God's work, including maintaining the list of more than 15,000 rostered leaders

31.3% Supporting congregations And evangelical outreach

- Proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ in communities across the country
- Starting dozens of new congregations and Synodically Authorized Worshiping Communities annually
- Renewing more than a hundred existing congregations, ministries, organizations, institutions and agencies each year
- Nurturing faith communities through word and sacrament to witness God's grace
- Recognizing and promoting the gift of diversity

17.6% Bringing forth AND SUPPORTING leaders

- Expanding youth and young adult ministries
- Preparing, recruiting and supporting church leaders
- Supporting educational and teaching networks
- Encouraging the ministry of the baptized in the church and world
- Supporting retired church leaders

6.7% Global and ecumenical RELATIONSHIPS

- Accompanying churches around the world, including sending over 200 missionaries
- Assisting global companions in building their capacity for mission and ministry in over 90 countries
- Developing and nurturing inter-Lutheran and full communion relationships
- Relating to other communities of faith

5.6% Stewardship and mission funding

- Thanking, informing, teaching, inspiring and inviting people to be good stewards
- Interpreting the ELCA mission and budget
- Developing financial resources to fund God's work

3.9% Stepping forward as a church serving others

- Supporting the response to poverty, hunger, violence, disease and disasters
- Serving creation and humanity through study and deliberation on current issues
- Developing and supporting leaders who engage economic and social issues
- Serving in response to God's love through social ministry organizations

2.1% Governance

- Making decisions through governance procedures including the ELCA Church Council, ELCA Churchwide Assembly and Conference of Bishops

In 2012, Mission Support dollars for the above purposes totaled nearly \$50 million, not including over \$30 million of funds designated for ELCA World Hunger, ELCA Disaster Response, the ELCA Malaria Campaign and other ministries. For more information and frequently asked questions visit www.ELCA.org/MissionSupport.



Worship Assistants for April 2017

	Acolytes	Lector	Greeters	Communion	Usher	Video	Power Point
Sat, April 1 5:15 PM		Dodi Haugen		Tom & Clarice Kappes	Dodi & Steve Haugen		Kathy Behrends
Sun, April 2 10:15 AM	Atalie Rosenbrook Morgan Winter	Carolyn Gillette	Gerald & LeAnn Giesen	Katie Gillette Betty Hughes	James & Carolyn Gillette Arnie Guild, Gerald Giesen	James Berglund	Keigan Behnke
Sat, April 8 5:15 PM		Marlys Hegstad		Nikki Cheskie Marshal Isder	Marlys & Leon Hegstad		Burend Cuperus
Sun, April 9 10:15 AM	Callie Platt	Arnie Guild	Perry & Stacey Hegstad		Perry Hegstad, Jim Johnson Donna & Kent Johansen	Neal Everson	Sara Mathiowetz
Thurs, April 13 7:00 PM	Carli Moline Savannah Boerboom	Nancy Boerboom		Jan Cuperus Darren Saner	Darren & Lisa Saner John Moline, Grace Moline		Arlyn Stokesbary
Fri, April 14 7:00 PM	Morgan Winter				Dick & Gayle Davidson		Rossow Family
Sat, April 15 5:15 PM		Nikki Cheskie Brenda Whitehead			Bob & Sue Gass		
Sun, April 16 7:00 AM	Conner DeGreeff	Lorna Bader		Leon Kruse Lorna Bader	Tim Lange, Luther Onken Troy & Kim DeGreeff	Leon Kruse	Greg Moberg
Sun, April 16 10:15 AM	Carli Moline	Mary Ellen Moline		Kraig & Jeanne Cochran	Tim Lange, Kraig Cochran John Moline, Grace Moline		Lauren Stoel
Sat, April 22 5:15 PM		Ann Muecke		Bev Knapp Marshal Isder	Pam & Brad Hovdet		Jan Cuperus
Sun, April 23 10:15 AM	Derek Kluis	Marcia Kunze	Robin & George Hemmingsen		Ashley & Dan Haken Leon & Lorie Kruse	Greg Moberg	Grace Moline
Sat, April 29 5:15 PM		Marshal Isder		Cheryl Krant Marshal Isder	Jim Kluis Al Husfeldt		Morgan Winter
Sun, April 30 10:15 PM	Abram Paulzine	Jem Hamilton	Gayleen Kirchner		Katie Gillette Betty Hughes	Leon Kruse	Arlyn Stokesbary

Bread Bakers: Alice Beattie, Betty Hughes
DVD to City Hall: Carisa Clarke

Thank you to everyone who is helping during worship services at Christ Lutheran Church this month. If you cannot fulfill your ministry responsibilities, please find your own substitute and let the office know of your replacement. Thank you!!!

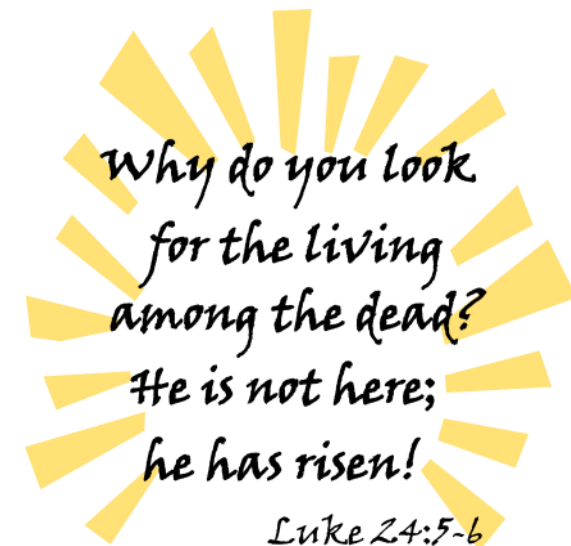
April Birthdays

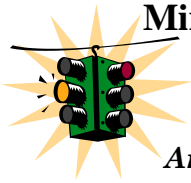
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| 1 | Kathy Aanenson
Gerald Hubbling | 15 | Joseph Erickson
Marie Paulzine |
| 2 | Jesse Swanson
Mikah Lentsch | 16 | Bobbi Jo Johnson |
| 3 | Jim Berglund
Grant Lindberg
Pat Nelson | 18 | Vicki Hoffmann
Vernon Holmes |
| 4 | Tyler Ash
Joshua Larson
Devin Landsman
Rachel Nysetvold
Erica Doeden
Charlie Paulzine | 19 | Brad Lindberg
Tyler Skindelien |
| 5 | Cole Bly
Carol Rechtzigel
Melanie Steinle | 21 | Mylan Larson |
| 6 | Samuel Erickson
Linda Wilkison | 22 | Bruce Freeburg
Beth Prahm
Jessica Larson
Brenda Whitehead
Scott Wilkison |
| 7 | Molly Prahm
Blake Heronimus | 23 | Allison Grieme
Samantha Larson |
| 8 | Michael Johansen
Dylan Nelson | 24 | Floyd Radke
Samantha Wynia
Gavin Wynia |
| 9 | Diane Clercx
David Rise | 25 | Betty Brake
Nancy Olson |
| 10 | Margaret Bowman
Keith Falk
Jon Hoyme
Dottie Muecke | 26 | Melissa Manson
Samuel Nysetvold |
| 11 | Nathan Everson
Robert Holmes | 27 | Vera Chmela
Joyce Larson |
| 13 | Jason Larson
Travis Stoel | 28 | Emily Bose
Vincent Gillette
Graysin Gillette
Caleb Telkamp
Joshua Bonnstetter |
| 14 | Jennifer Blackmer
Robert Sellman
Elvera Nelson | 29 | Harris Johnson
Jon Stokesbary
Dylan Doeden |
| | | 30 | Leah Carlson
Nancy Sauder |

April Anniversaries

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| 3 | Gerald & Leann Giesen (1982) |
| 9 | Gary & Sue Johnson (1999)
Dustin & Leah Carlson (2005) |
| 10 | David & Brooke Swart (2010) |
| 12 | Betty & Ivan Brake (1958) |
| 14 | Joshua & Amanda Crowley (2012) |
| 20 | Lucas & Joyce Radke (2013) |
| 22 | Charles & Susan Blackmer (1978) |
| 24 | Jason & Nicole Platt (2004) |
| 27 | Darrel & Heather Peters (2001) |

Please contact the office if you notice a mistake or omission on the Birthday or Anniversary lists. Thanks for your help!





Minnesota State Driver Safety Program

at Christ Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall

Are you aware if you're 55 or older, Minnesota drivers are eligible to receive a 10% auto insurance discount?

If you've had a course within the past 3 years, to retain your 10% Minnesota automobile insurance discount, you are required to attend a **4-hour refresher course**. Two courses have been scheduled for **Tuesday, April 4, 12:30—4:30 pm** and **Tuesday, April 11, 5:30—9:30 pm**.

We have not scheduled an 8 hour class that is needed for 1st time participants at this time.

Please contact Office Manager, Dawn Mouw at the church, 836-8291, to pre-register.



Cost is: \$20.00 per participant.
AARP Members receive a \$5.00 discount.

Free Welcome to Medicare Education: Learn the A through D of it!

The Senior LinkAge Line® through the Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging® (MNRAAA) is sponsoring an educational presentation for people who will soon be eligible for Medicare. Participants will learn the basics of Medicare and their coverage options in Minnesota. They will also learn how to research these options using non-biased tools, such as the Medicare website. The presentation will be held in Slayton at MNRAAA, 1939 Engbretson Ave., from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm, Part 1 Monday, April 10, and Part 2 Monday, April 17. Class size is limited, so call the Senior LinkAge Line® at [1-800-333-2433](tel:1-800-333-2433) to register.

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CANEWS FROM CAMP

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Mark Your Calendar

- April 21 & 22 – Confirmation Retreat
- April 23 – Spring Toddlers & Trees
- April 29 – Spring Clean-Up Day
- May 7-12 – Road Scholars
- May 6 – Camp clean-up day
- June 11 – First day of CAMP
- June 23 – Quilt Auction Quilt preview - 6:30-8:30 pm
- June 24 – 31 Annual Quilt Auction - 10:30 am

For more information go to Shetek.org or Call 507-763-3567

Help send Kids to camp...Become a Pelican/Timber member today.
For more information call 763-3567 or www.shetek.org

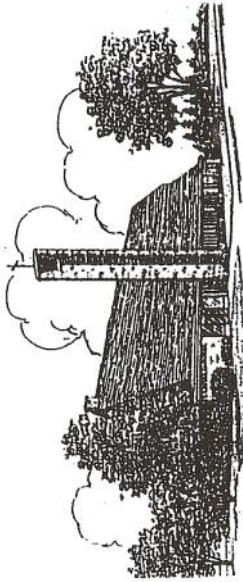
Summer Camp & Day Camp 2017

Registration is now open...Check out our brochure on line.
www.shetek.org or call Shetek Lutheran Ministries at 507-763-3567 to talk about this ministry opportunity. Start planning your camp Sundays.
Contact Dana at dana@shetek.org or call 507-763-3567



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