



BY *grace*
THROUGH *faith*
IN Christ ALONE
EPHESIANS 2:8-10

Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

February 4, 2018

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** TODAY IN WORSHIP** we celebrate Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday. In conjunction with that we remember in prayer and thanksgiving the ministry outreach done throughout the world by this organization.

**** PRAYER FOR 5th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY** – Christ of the nations, may we carry Your message of good news from country to country and shore to shore. May more people be compelled to commit their way to You. And wherever Your followers may be, may there be an eagerness to say yes to You. Bless our work for the Church, O Lord. Release Your power through us as we use our hands and feet to do Your will in this place. Help us never to doubt what You tell us we can do. Christ, our preacher and provider, we put our trust in You. Amen.

Mission Memo ... Pray for Church Workers around the World and Lutheran Hour Ministries

Lutheran Hour Ministries was founded in 1917. The first radio broadcast of the Lutheran Hour was in 1930. **51 million** people are reached with the Gospel globally every week. **1,600** North American Stations air **The Lutheran Hour**. There are **42,500** Bible correspondence course students enrolled annually around the world. There are **400,000** annual responses to outreach efforts. **111,325** people are trained in Evangelism in the U.S. and internationally. **4,500** LCMS Churches use Lutheran Hour Ministries' resources. To spread the Good News of Jesus Christ, LHM employs local missionaries in over **30** locations to develop culturally relevant ministries to reach the unchurched in more than **50** countries on **6** continents. **May God continue to bless LHM to Bring Christ to the Nations--and the Nations to the Church.**

DAILY DEVOTIONS from LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES are available on line at: www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp



1 Corinthians 9:25 – “Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.” Self control is a fruit of the Spirit – for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received the new life in Christ by his grace, he now calls us to follow him deliberately, with self-control, with intention.

**** 2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available in the Church Narthex.** If you see boxes on the table for your friends, relatives or neighbors, please assist the Board of Stewardship by taking those envelope boxes and delivering them to the individuals. Even if you have automated giving, please pick up your envelopes.

**** ANNUAL HEARTS TO HELP CAMPAIGN** - The Board of Christian Nurture is once again sponsoring the “Hearts to Help” campaign to aid in replenishing our Human Care Fund that supports Good Neighbors. Monetary donations are requested. The campaign runs from February 4 to March 4, however donations are welcome anytime throughout the year. Reminder cards in the Narthex will help remind you of this special campaign to help the less fortunate in our community. Funds received help support the Good Neighbors and Norfolk Community Food Pantry. Thank you for your generous support in the past. Please prayerfully consider how you can continue to open your heart and share God’s love.

**** RECORDED SERMONS** – The sound quality of the recorded services has been greatly improved! They are available on the church’s website, as are printed copies of the weekend sermons. If you are unable to attend or simply want to refresh your memory concerning what was shared in worship, please go to www.clnorfolk.org

The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church

Share God’s Word – Share His Love – Do It Now!



DIGGING INTO GOD'S WORD ...



BIBLE STUDIES & SUNDAY SCHOOL JUST FOR YOU



BIBLE STUDIES

<i>Adult Bible Study</i>	Pastors Winter / Goehmann	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>9-12 High School Study</i>	Wingert	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Chapel
<i>Grades 7-8 Bible Study</i>	Bryant/Kolterman/Wingert	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Blue Room CLS

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lisa Moreno, Coordinator

<i>Parents & 2's</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Room 206
<i>Preschoolers</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Rooms 103 & 105
<i>Kindergarten – Gr. 6 & special needs adults</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Gym

(Please note – the school will remain locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time following the 8:00 service)

** **GRACE LUTHERAN MEN'S BREAKFAST STUDY** will meet Tuesday, February 13, at 7:00 a.m. The group meets every other Tuesday morning at First Choice Catering, 1110 South 9th Street. There is a meal with a freewill offering. All men are invited to attend.

** **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – will meet Saturday, February 17, at 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men of the congregation, young and old, are invited to join us for a hot breakfast of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee, and a Bible study designed just for you. Contact the church office (402-371-1210) or email dgoehmann@clnorfolkmail.org. to reserve your spot now. (This helps with preparations for study material and food.)

LIFE QUOTE: “[I]f it is wrong to kill a human fetus, it is wrong because this interrupts the vocation of that fetus to praise God and enjoy Him forever, a vocation given it by God Himself in and with the gift of existence, a vocation we may not override for purposes of our own without offending against the rights of God.” *Douglas Farrow, author of Desiring a Better Country: Forays in Political Theology -- A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

*Nobody should seek his own good,
but the good of others.*

1 Corinthians 10:24

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



Lutheran High Northeast

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Email info@lhne.org Web www.lhne.org

** **LHNE SCRIP** Please support Lutheran High and its students by purchasing SCRIP. You can buy SCRIP at the store-front location - The Abbey Christian Store during regular business hours (M-F, 9-8; Sat. 9-6) or at LHNE. Scrip makes great gifts.

** **SEEKING HOST FAMILIES** – Would your family be interested in hosting a foreign exchange student this coming fall? LHNE is looking for families who are willing to open their hearts and homes to host exchange students for the next school year. If you are interested, please contact Principal Sievert, for more information. (dsievert@lhne.org)



GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lisa Moreno – Children’s Ministry Coordinator

lmoreno@clnorfolkmail.org phone: 371-3898

facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Christ-Lutheran-Norfolk-Sunday-School/207797372579875>

Please note – School doors are locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time after the 8:00 service.

**** TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** the children learned that as Jesus came to the Ethiopian (Acts 8:26–40), He comes to us in our weakness, for we cannot by our own reason or strength come to Him. In your family faith talks, discuss how the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies us, keeping us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED IN THE COMING WEEKS:** Cool hot glue guns to keep or borrow; blue craft foam, 1/2” disc magnets, and kelly green sheets of card stock; and Twister games to borrow. If you can contribute any of these items, please bring them to the church office. Thank you!!

**** WINTER QUARTER MISSION OFFERING:** Our mission offerings will give wings and wheels to the Mercy Meals packed locally, so they can be distributed to the children who need them, worldwide. One meal costs just \$.12! One box feeds 300 people for \$36.00, or you can feed a child for an entire year for just \$44.00. Discuss with your child what you would like to contribute. Even their pennies will help feed children. Mission offerings will be collected the next two weeks.

**** STAFFING NEEDS:** We praise God for some recent volunteers who answered the call to help with Sunday school! We still have the following needs:

- Sunday school greeter to work 9:15 - 9:35, greeting people at the door on weeks they choose
- Team teacher for Preschool to teach one Sunday a month and help once a month
- Station leader to lead a prepared 15 minute station 1-2 Sundays a month on dates you choose.

If you can help in any of these areas, please call the church office or contact Lisa Moreno at 371-3898.



**** KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSES SCHEDULED** - Your child is going to be 5 by this summer! It’s time to be thinking about the start to their formal education. CLS is hosting open houses during February to help inform parents about the advantages of a Christian education. Join us from 5:30-7:00 on February 6 or February 22. By attending this event you and your future Kindergarten student will have the opportunity to: meet with our *Lutheran School State Certified Kindergarten teachers*, check out the classroom where your student would be receiving a *college prep/faith development education* each and every day of their elementary school journey. Bring along your questions about how you can get started in being a part of the Christ Lutheran School family. Kindergarten teachers will be available to answer questions about curriculum, expectations, and to make your child feel at home. Be sure to bring your child so they can scope out the classroom and meet future classmates.

**** PRESCHOOL 2018-2019** - Christ Lutheran Preschool is currently accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. Morning and afternoon classes are available for our three and five-day programs and a morning session is offered for the two-day program. Children must be at least three years old by July 31, 2018 in order to enroll in the Tuesday/Thursday or the Monday/Wednesday/Friday programs. The Monday-Friday program is reserved for children who are four by July 31, 2018.

Our preschool teachers and aides have over 60 combined years of experience working with young children and teachers and are certified by the Nebraska Department of Education. Class sizes are limited. Waiting lists will be generated for classes that are full. A registration form is available at the school office (402-371-5536) or on the school website at clnorfolk.org. We would love to schedule a tour and answer your questions.

textmessages

Want to be part of the conversation?

5th & 6th Youth Group
text 81010 | @cl56youth
Confirmation
text 81010 | @clconfirm
Jr. High
text 81010 | @cljrhigh
Sr. High
text 81010 | @clsrhigh



Matt Wingert
Director of Youth Ministry
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eventsignups

want to sign up for events or email lists?

- go to christnorfchurchcenteronline.com
- click register for events or groups
- join the group or event that you want
- if signing up for an event, be sure to fill out the required forms listed online.

JUNIOR HIGH

**** BIBLE STUDY 9:30 ON SUNDAY** – 7th & 8th Graders – join us on Sunday mornings in the Blue Room as we continue to grow in our Christian faith. Paul Kolterman, Chad and Megan Bryant, and Heidi Goehmann lead this Bible study. Don't forget we meet every Sunday from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

SENIOR HIGH

**** BIBLE STUDY 9:30 ON SUNDAY** – High School students – join us Sunday mornings in the **Chapel** as we continue to grow in our Christian faith by studying the Word. We are taking a break from our book to do a short video series call Alpha. It's fun and engaging. Come check it out. Don't forget we meet every Sunday from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4, 2018

Please remember the following in prayer during the coming week. You may also want to send a card or note to those on this week's prayer list to let them know they are being thought of.

- For those undergoing cancer treatments; and for their families; including: Brian Beeks, Bobbie Bell, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Roger Frank, Bruce Gardels, Nanette Halverson, Bruce Hansen, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Sandy Horst, Jason Jackson, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Colet Lierman, Darwin McDonald, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Lisa Murray, Jackie Nelson, Amy Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Deb Robertson, Jim Roethler, Randy Schultz, Leon Schulz, Carol Thies, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz, and mother of Sarah Boelter.
- For those in care centers, nursing homes, those suffering long-term illness; those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, undergoing surgery, or facing difficult times, including: Elizabeth Ambrose, Hazel Bermel, Robert Daughton, Brendan Gnewuch, Craig Herpy, EllaMae Jensen, Steve Long, Marilyn Means, Connie Mock, Donnis Omer, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Jim Siedschlag, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, and a young girl, Taryn, and those undergoing other tests and treatments.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings this week including: Willard Vyhldal (2/4), Carl Mellor (2/7), Duane Zautke (2/7) and Dorothy Wetzler (2/9).
- Thanksgiving for the mission and ministry of Lutheran Hour Ministries.
- For peace in our land and an end to terrorism.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles.

PRAYER REQUESTS may be made in the Prayer Request book at the north entrance. Please fill out all information completely. Private prayer requests may be placed in the envelope provided for this purpose.

**** THANK YOU** for making my installation service very special. My family was able to worship with us also. We appreciate the cards and gifts. Some didn't have names on them, so I would like to use this opportunity to show our gratitude. I am excited to serve here and reach out together. The rest of my family will join us this summer. In Christ, *Tetsuya Sugita*, Director of Worship Arts.

**** THANKS** to our Heavenly Father for all the blessings He has bestowed on us in our years together. To pastors for their prayers. Also, many thanks to friends and relatives who wished us well in cards, letters and gifts as we celebrated our 50 years together on December 30. Special thanks to our daughter and son-in-law who made this day an extra special "surprise." *Robert and Ruby Schulz*

Worship With Us

- Sat. – 5:30 p.m.; Sun. – 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
- **Sunday School & Bible Classes – 9:30 a.m.**

Christ Lutheran Church Services are broadcast on Cable Channel 12, Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday ... 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fridays ... 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Pastors Winter and Goehmann are often out of the office for home, hospital and other visits. Contact the Church Office for available appointments with pastors.

Church Phones

CHURCH OFFICE 371-1210
CHURCH FAX371-1228
SCHOOL OFFICE371-5536
SCHOOL FAX371-1288
HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE379-3275

Christ Lutheran website: www.clnorfolk.org.

e-mail – use first initial & last name @clnorfolkmail.org

Pastoral Staff

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Rev. David Goehmann Associate Pastor

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Starla Landkamer Stephen Ministry Leader
Sarah Moje PreSchool Director
Lisa Moreno Children's Ministry Coordinator
Steve Stortz Principal
Tetsuya Sugita Director of Worship Arts
Matt WingertDirector of Christian Education

Administrative Staff

Judy Bohn Business Manager
Starla Landkamer Administrative Assistant
Lynn WalmsleyAdministrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS; Karla Lindsteadt. Bill Kenny is at St. Joseph Care Center.

If you are admitted to the hospital, you or a family member should contact the Church office with admission information.

Media Ministry

LUTHERAN HOUR – Sun., 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
WJAG 780 AM or 105.9 FM; or KZEN 100.3 F.M. at 9:30 a.m. Today's program is sponsored by Norfolk Circuit Lutheran Churches.

ON MAIN STREET – Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Cable TV
DAILY DEVOTIONS www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship 01/28/18 583
Communed 169
Bible Class 56
Sunday School / Staff 95 / 27

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 01/28/18.....\$16,278

Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal (all committed) \$1,200,000
Rec'd towards committed goal as of 01/21 \$ 930,249
Amount paid out on project as of 01/21 ... \$1,163,814
Amount borrowed on project \$ 233,565

This Week's Activities

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION
9:30 a.m. Bible Class / Sunday School
10:45 a.m. WORSHIP

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

12:45 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:30 p.m. Finance

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7:00 p.m. Priscillas @ Mercy Meals

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:20 a.m. Chapel
9:10 & 2:30 PreSch Chapel
5:15 p.m. Confirmation
7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

No meetings scheduled

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:30 a.m. Bulletin assembly

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

5:30 p.m. WORSHIP

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 a.m. WORSHIP
9:30 a.m. Bible Class / Sunday School
10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

Please call the Church Office to schedule an activity.
It is best to call ahead to avoid a conflict in scheduling.

Focus Announcements, as well as Verbal Announcements & Prayer Requests are due in writing to the Church Office by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Please include a contact name on all announcements in case there are questions, or further information is needed.

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