



**Christ Lutheran Church**

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

March 24, 2019

# WEEKLY FOCUS

## **Experience the Season of Lent**

\*\* **MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES** are held each Wednesday at 12:15 (in the Chapel) and 6:30 p.m.

Sermon themes focus on the "I AM" statements of Jesus found throughout the Gospels. Pastors from the other area LCMS churches will be rotating pulpits and preaching for these services. On March 27, Pastor B.J.Fouts (St. John/Battle Creek) will be the guest preacher with his message based on John 10:9 "I AM the Door."

As in the past, Lenten meals will be served from 5:00-6:15 p.m. by various groups. Proceeds will go toward designated project as chosen by the host group for each meal.

**LENTEN SUPPER**  
**Wednesday, March 27**  
**5:00-6:15 p.m.**  
**Menu: Brisket, cole slaw, chips, bars & beverage**  
**Sponsored by S.O.S. (Servants of the Savior)**  
**Freewill offering for**  
**Rev. Farrukh Khan and POBLO Ministries**

\*\* **EVERYONE HIS WITNESS** series and small study groups for Lent are underway. There are still books available to purchase for \$5 and slots available in various small groups that you can participate with. Contact Pastor Goehmann for further information.

\*\* **GIRLS BASKETBALL HEADED TO INDIANA** – The varsity Girls' Basketball team has qualified for the National Lutheran Basketball tournament in Valparaiso, Indiana this coming week. They are doing a fundraiser by selling sheet cake pans and lids to help offset costs of travel and lodging expenses. These are nice baking pans that measure 18x13x1. If you are interested, please see one of the basketball girls, or you may contact Tina Raeside at 402-750-3885 ([raesidet@msn.com](mailto:raesidet@msn.com)) or Karri Wiederin at 402-640-5634 ([kariwiederin@gmail.com](mailto:kariwiederin@gmail.com)) Cost is \$12 for pan, \$12 for lid; or \$20 for lid and pan combination.

\*\* **"CARING FOR ALL" CAMPAIGN** – Each year, as a special outreach mission, the Christian Nurture Board sponsors a contribution drive to replenish funds that go towards the support of the Norfolk Good Neighbors, Food Pantry, and other local organizations involved with human care. If you would like to assist with this year's campaign to help those less fortunate in our community, please use one of the envelopes designated for this purpose and available in the Narthex.

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>	Pastor Goehmann	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>9-12 High School Study</i>	Heidi Goehmann	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Chapel
<i>Grades 7-8 Bible Study</i>	Bryants	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Rm. 132B



#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

<i>Parents &amp; 2's</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Christ Lutheran School
<i>Preschoolers</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	
<i>Kindergarten – Gr. 6 &amp; special needs adults</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	

(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, March 26, at 7:00 a.m. at First Choice Catering, 1110 South 9<sup>th</sup> Street. There is a meal with a freewill offering. All men are invited to attend.

**\*\* MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** led by Pastor Goehmann meets every Thursday from 6:45-7:45 a.m. at HyVee West. All men are welcome to attend. Contact Pastor Goehmann for more information.

**LIFE QUOTE:** "The Virgin Mary's womb became the dwelling place of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the Word by whom all things were made. Within the first month, the heart of the Logos in human flesh was beating, like ours, with electrical impulses, pumping blood through His body, blood He would later shed for our sins. But the full miracle of the Incarnation was not just in seeing the Man in the flesh but much more: in Mary's Son we saw with our eyes real things that are only visible by their effects: divine mercy, love, compassion, faith, meekness, and justice." *James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*



**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

*If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?*

*John 13:35*

## **HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED**

**\*\* CLICKERS / SCRIPTURE READERS / VIDEO RECORDERS** - We need your help. Would you like to learn how to be a clicker (screen operator) for the worship services, record worship services for our shut-ins, or use your reading and speaking skills? We need you! Please contact Lynn in the office and she will get you started on your journey in serving Christ Lutheran. Lynn's email is [lwalsmley@clnorfolkmail.org](mailto:lwalsmley@clnorfolkmail.org).

**\*\* WATCH SERMONS ONLINE** - Do you want to watch our sermons online? Now you can! Go to our website ([clnorfolk.org](http://clnorfolk.org)) and watch a recent sermon. Please subscribe to the Christ Lutheran sermon because when we have one hundred subscribers then other people can find it on the internet without going to our website. By subscribing you are sharing God's Word with thousands or millions of people!

**\*\* ADULT CHOIR** rehearsal for March and April will be as follows: Wednesdays, March 27, and April 3 short rehearsals after Lenten Midweek services from 7:15-7:45 p.m. Choir will sing on Sunday, March 31 (8:00). April 17 rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; singing at 6:30 p.m. Good Friday service on April 19, and 8:00 a.m. on April 21 Easter Sunday.

**\*\* PITCH PLAYERS** will be meeting with sister congregations on Thursday, April 4, at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Everyone is welcome to come. Fun, fellowship and card playing takes place from 2:00-4:00 p.m. You may bring snacks to share; beverage is provided.

**\*\* ZONE 11 LLL RALLY** will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, Norfolk, on Sunday, March 31. Registration begins at 3:00 with a hymn sing to follow. The Malawi Mission Team from Christ Lutheran and Malawi students currently attending Northeast Community College will present the program, followed by a business meeting and dinner. To register, call Eunice Brandt at 402-371-7758. Today, March 24, is the deadline for meal reservations.

**\*\* BIBLE PROJECT** – Do you have some Bibles that you don't know what to do with? Priscillas is collecting gently used Bibles for a mission project. A box will be available in the Narthex the weekends of March 24 and 31 for collection of these Bibles. Monetary gifts to pay the expenses of shipping these Bibles will also be accepted.



## **GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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.

**\*\* SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Join us for time in God's Word and fun learning activities with friends.

**\*\* PALM SUNDAY** – Students from Preschool on up will process in for the 8:00 Palm Sunday service (April 14) and offer their songs of praise to Jesus at this service. Children will be learning their song each week during Sunday School opening time. Watch for more information.

## **THE PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE**

Christ Lutheran Preschool offers more than a standard curriculum. We offer a Christ-centered program! Everything we do is focused on Jesus' love and forgiveness! Our preschool teachers and aides have over 60 combined years of experience with young children and teachers are certified by the Nebraska Department of Education. There aren't many preschools that can say that.



Please keep in mind that class sizes are limited, smaller than state regulations.

Waiting lists will be generated for classes that are full. A registration form is available at the school office or on the school website at [clnorfolk.org](http://clnorfolk.org). Call the school office at 402-371-5536 for a tour. We want your family to be a part of our Christ Lutheran family!

**\*\* ANNUAL PLANT SALE UNDERWAY** – This year marks the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Plant Sale hosted by the students and faculty of Christ Lutheran School. Plants are being pre-sold by any student who attends Christ Lutheran School until April 5. Order forms will also be available at the church. Orders may also be placed on line by visiting <https://tiger.clnorfolk.org>. Pickup of the plants will be on Friday and Saturday May 3 & 4, at the Northeast AG Complex where you can pick up your order or shop the "extras" area. If you are interested in purchasing a gift certificate, those can be purchased at the school office. Funds this year will go toward tuition assistance. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 402-371-5536. Thanks in advance for your support!

**\*\* 2019 REVEL BANQUET** will be held on Friday, April 12 at The Armory (817 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St. in Norfolk). Social Hour starts at 5:30 with Dinner at 7:00, Live Auction at 8:00 and entertainment to follow by the Malawi Acapella Singing Group. Revel is an annual social & fundraiser for Christ Lutheran School. 100% of the money raised from ticket sales and auction items goes back to our school for facility improvements, tuition assistance and other needs that arise to improve the students' experience at CLS. Tickets are available March 11 – 27 for \$45 each or after March 28 – April 5 for \$50 each. Only 200 tickets are available and the tickets can be purchased at the Christ Lutheran School office.

**\*\* A HEARTFELT THANK YOU** to all who attended the Pancake Feed on March 17 and donated to Flood Relief. A total of over \$3,700 was raised. We continue to pray for all those who were affected by the flood.

## **Mission Memo ... Pray for Church Workers Around the World**

**Rev. Adam and Christine Lehman, Hannah, Noah, Abigail, and Jonah are missionaries in Spain.** (Christ Lutheran supports the Lehman family each quarter during the year.) One of the realities of the mission in Cartagena, Spain, is sharing the Gospel and ministering to members throughout many different cities in Spain, including the Canary Islands. A way for the members to receive the Word is through the internet. Each week, the service is shared by Zoom and by Facebook Live so that members all across Spain can hear the Word, even if they can't physically be at a service. The Spanish Lutheran Church has three established congregations. There is a LCMS Missionary in two of these. A Spanish Pastor Jose Luis travels with Pastor Lehman or a missionary to provide the Word and Sacrament to the members in three cities. **PRAY that the Spanish Lutheran Church may continue to grow and hear the Word of Christ.**

*DAILY DEVOTIONS from LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES are available on line at: [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp)*

## Youth**ministry**

### Communication

<b>Jr. High &amp; Confirmation</b> Text 81010   @ChristNo	<b>Sr. High Activities</b> Text 81010   @ChristNor
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**\*\* SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – The Senior High and Junior High students are both studying The Gospel Project, a walk through the Bible in 3 years. Junior High in CLS, Room 132; Senior High in the Chapel.

**\*\* TAILGATE MEAL CANCELLED** – The Tailgate Meal originally planned for today, Sunday, March 24 has been cancelled. The food was donated to the emergency shelter for flood victims. Proceeds from the meal were to be used for the trip to Minnesota for the National Youth Gathering. If you would like to make a donation towards this trip, please write NYG on your check or envelope and give to an elder or drop off at the church office during regular business hours. Thank you for your support of our youth.

## **LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST**

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



### **Lutheran High Northeast**

2010 N. 37<sup>th</sup> St. Norfolk, NE 68701  
Office 402-379-3040 Fax 402-379-8340  
Email [info@lhne.org](mailto:info@lhne.org) Web [www.lhne.org](http://www.lhne.org)

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

**\*\* HEARTFELT THANK YOU!** – Many thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who came together to help the evacuees housed at LHNE. The outpouring of support from the community came in many forms and was a true blessing. To God be the Glory!

**\*\* LHNE MUSICAL 'ELF' RESCHEDULED** – The production of 'Elf the Musical' has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. We hope you can join us at this new time.

**\*\* CONGRATULATIONS LHNE SPEECH** – On March 13, the LHNE speech team finished third at the district speech competition. State qualifiers include Brendan Westlake who received 1<sup>st</sup> in entertainment speaking and 2<sup>nd</sup> in humorous prose, Temo Molina who received 3<sup>rd</sup> in extemp and Isaac Weander placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in serious prose. Nice work, speech team!

**\*\* UNPLANNED – THE MOVIE** - *Unplanned* is the inspiring true story of one woman's journey from being a Planned Parenthood clinic director to one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America. She also has a caring ministry to encourage and assist abortion industry workers.

*Unplanned* will begin showing at Norfolk 7 Theater on Thursday, March 28 at 7:05 p.m. It has an R rating due to the graphic depiction of an ultrasound guided abortion procedure.

As Gospel motivated Christians, we pray that this film, as well as our own actions and lives, will do more than just turn the tide on abortion in this country. Our prayer is that it will also demonstrate the hope we find through the redeeming love and forgiveness we have in Christ.

**\*\* SHINE THE LIGHT OF JESUS AT HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE** – We want to shine the love of Jesus through every part of our facility and into our community. Our current goal is to ramp up our décor with pictures of Jesus and Bible verse wall appliques. On the average, a nice quality framed picture of Jesus is priced at \$60, with the Bible appliques running approximately \$35 each. We would like to be able to purchase 5 pictures of Jesus and 6 Bible verse appliques. If you would like to contribute to our décor project, please leave your donation in the Church Office or contact Chad at Helping Hands (402-379-3275). Put "pictures of Jesus" in the memo line of your check. Thank you for considering this project.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2019**

**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, Melvin Jensen, Lela Kiepke, Miriam Krueger, Joyce Kuske, Georgia Lambrecht, Kevin Langel, Colet Lierman, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Jackie Nelson, Amy Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Jim Roethler, Melvin Sanders, Randy Schultz, Leon Schulz, Nicholle Soukup, Carol Thies, Larry Walker, Velda Warneke, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Kathy Wolfe, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz.
- 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, Mike Brockhaus, Shellie Bretschneider, Robert Daughton, Dianne Deskins, Jonathan Glaser, Brendan Gnewuch, Craig Herpy, EllaMae Jensen, Elden Kapels, Gin Kuske, Steve Long, Marilyn Means, Connie Mock, Donnis Omer, Diane Pinger, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Marilyn Shattuck, Jim Siedschlag, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, and a young girl, Taryn, and those undergoing other tests and treatments.
- For Dale and Tammy Schlote in the loss of Tammy's brother, James Wilke.
- For Norm and Gloria Hansen in the loss of Gloria's mother, Ramona Gross.
- For those celebrating 80 years or more of birthday blessings during the coming week including: Donald Siedschlag (3/24), Joan Sila (3/26), Beverly Smith (3/26), Loretta Slobodny (3/27) and Wanda Sramek (3/30).
- For Christ Lutheran Church in this time of transition.
- 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.**

## **BE PART OF SOMETHING BIG!**

**\*\* LAST CHANCE FOR 2019** - Are you an eligible Thrivent Financial member with Choice Dollars ® to direct? What are you waiting for? Charitable grant funding through Thrivent Choice ® can make an impact and strengthen our community. By directing Choice Dollars to Christ Lutheran Church, Norfolk, you can help our deficit reduction goal. One choice can lead to another, and the impact can be profound.

To direct Choice Dollars, go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-847-4836 and say "*Thrivent Choice*" after the prompt. Be part of something big – right in your own community.

The Thrivent Choice charitable grant program engages Thrivent members and Thrivent Member Networks in providing grants that support charitable activities, furthering Thrivent's mission and its purposes under state law. All grant decisions, including grant recipients and amounts, are made at the sole discretion of Thrivent Organization enrollment in and receiving grant funding through Thrivent Choice ® is subject to the terms and conditions for organizations receiving Choice Dollars ® Grant Funding.

## 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.

Pastor Goehmann is often out of the office for home, hospital and other visits. Contact the Church Office for available appointments with pastor.

## Church Phones

CHURCH OFFICE ..... 371-1210

CHURCH FAX ..... 371-1228

SCHOOL OFFICE ..... 371-5536

SCHOOL FAX ..... 371-1288

HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE ..... 379-3275

Christ Lutheran website: [www.clnorfolk.org](http://www.clnorfolk.org).

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

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. David Goehmann ..... Pastor

## Ministry Staff

Chad Bryant ..... Child Care Director

Heidi Goehmann, Deaconess .... Interim Youth Leader

Starla Landkamer ..... Stephen Ministry Leader

Sarah Moje ..... PreSchool Director

Steve Stortz ..... Principal

Tetsuya Sugita ..... Director of Worship Arts

## Administrative Staff

Dale Beckmann ..... Business Manager

Starla Landkamer ..... Administrative Assistant

Lynn Walmsley ..... Administrative Assistant

## Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS: Eldon Meyer, Gerrie Mellor, David Mauch; at Columbus Community Hospital/Columbus – Maddox Kalin.

*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.

**ON MAIN STREET** – Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Cable TV  
**DAILY DEVOTIONS** [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp)

\* Please Note: The inclusion of items in the *Focus* from outside sources is for informational purposes only. Inclusion of these items does not constitute CLC endorsement

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

## Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship / Communed 03/17/19 ..... 594 / 297

Lenten Midweek Worship ..... 187

Sunday School / Staff ..... 77 / 20

Bible Study ..... 43

## Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 03/17/19 ..... \$25,641

Amount borrowed ..... \$ 57,000

**June 2018 Yearend Deficit** ..... (\$203,359)

Received for Deficit reduction ..... \$ 51,404

## Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal (all committed) ..... \$1,200,000

Rec'd towards committed goal as of 03/17 \$1,183,542

Amount paid out on project as of 03/17..... \$1,184,092

Amount borrowed on project ..... \$ 550

## Capital Campaign (for Land Acquisition)

Purchase Price ..... \$ 277,000

Early Commitment ..... -100,000

Christ Lutheran School Foundation ..... - 57,000

Previously received offerings ..... - 20,000

**Authorized for Capital Campaign** ..... \$ 100,000

Offerings received for Capital Campaign ..... - 36,014

Amount needed ..... \$ 63,986

## This Week's Activities

### SUNDAY, MARCH 24

8:00 a.m. WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Bible Class / Sunday School

10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

### MONDAY, MARCH 25

3:30 p.m. Finance

### TUESDAY, MARCH 26

8:30 a.m. ECHO Mailing

6:00 p.m. EVANGELISM

6:30 p.m. STEWARDSHIP

7:00 p.m. EDUCATION, CHILD CARE,  
TRUSTEES, ELDERS

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

8:20 a.m. Chapel

12:15 p.m. MIDWEEK LENTEN CHAPEL

5:00 p.m. Lenten Supper

5:15 p.m. Confirmation

6:30 p.m. MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE

7:00 p.m. CHRISTIAN NURTURE

7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, MARCH 28

6:00 p.m. PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL

### FRIDAY, MARCH 29

9:30 a.m. FOCUS assembly

### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION