



Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

April 7, 2019

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** BAPTISM** – *Isaac Paul Osten*, son of Trevor and Elizabeth Osten, is being baptized in the 5:30 service this weekend. Isaac was born March 21, 2019. Sponsors are Megan Gebhardt and Corby and Amanda Osten.

**** FUNERAL** – *Moriah Vavra* entered Eternal Rest on Friday, March 29, 2019; funeral service was held Tuesday, April 2, 2019.

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 this season have focused on the “I AM” statements of Jesus found throughout the Gospels. Pastors from the other area LCMS churches have been rotating pulpits and preaching for these services. On April 10, Rev. Ryan Taylor (Our Savior/Norfolk) will deliver the 12:15 message “I AM the Vine” (John 15:5) and Pastor Dave Goehmann (Christ/Norfolk) will deliver the final message in this series at the 6:30 service based on John 14:1-6, “I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life.”

LENTEN SUPPER
Wednesday, April 10
5:00-6:15 p.m.
Menu: Taco/Nacho Bar
Sponsored by Senior High Youth
Freewill offering to defray expenses for those
attending National Youth Gathering

**** PALM SUNDAY** – Next week is Palm Sunday. The Sunday School children will be participating in the 8:00 service with a palm processional, and offering their praises in song.

**** MOTHER’S DAY AD** – Happy Spring! With spring comes the celebration of new life. MOTHER’S DAY is just around the corner! Norfolk Area Right to Life, with the Lutherans for Life, will be collecting signatures for the Mother’s Day ad that will be printed in the Norfolk Daily News on Saturday, May 11. Stop by the table in the narthex after services this weekend or next to add your name to this meaningful ad. A suggested donation is requested to help cover the cost of the ad.

**** PALM SUNDAY CHORAL EVENT** – Please join the Norfolk Chamber Singers when they present “*Lamb of God*” on Palm Sunday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. The performance will be held at St. Mary’s Catholic Church (2300 W. Madison Avenue) and will reflect on the events of Holy Week, Christ’s love and mercy. A freewill offering will be gathered to support Orphan Grain Train in their flood relief efforts.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, April 28

9:30 a.m. Voters’ Assembly for purpose of calling a Director of Ministries
Ministry Milestone Dinner after 10:45 service honoring milestone anniversaries or service and this year’s retirees. Complete list of honorees will be included in next week’s Focus.

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 & 2's</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Christ Lutheran School
<i>Preschoolers</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	
<i>Kindergarten – Gr. 6 & 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, April 9, at 7:00 a.m. 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** 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.

**** NEW MEMBER CLASS** will begin on Monday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. If you know of someone who would be interested in studying about the Lutheran faith, or just in need of a faith refresher, please contact the Church Office. The class will run until mid-June.

LIFE QUOTE: "Jesus came to save us, to show love to us; He came because He is pro-life, pro-eternal life, and He came to give eternal life to you, to me, to those children unwanted by anyone else, to those mothers who have fallen into sin, to the disabled and elderly forgotten by everyone else. Jesus came for you, not to condemn you, but to save you. He came to destroy death with all of its power over us, and His Easter victory, which we will celebrate very soon, is a day of life, eternal life, for all." *Rev. Christopher Maronde, pastor of Saint John Lutheran Church, Decatur, Indiana – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:18

**** ADULT CHOIR** will rehearse Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. They will sing at the 6:30 p.m. Good Friday service, April 19, and 8:00 a.m. on April 21, Easter Sunday.



GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

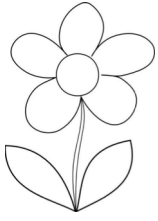
Please note – School doors are locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time after the 8:00 service.

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

**** PALM SUNDAY** – Students from Preschool through grade 6 will be processing with palms for the 8:00 Palm Sunday service (April 14) and offer their songs of praise to Jesus at this service. Students can be dropped off in the fellowship hall at 7:45 that day and picked up in the fellowship hall following the service.

Palm Sunday Practice – students are continuing their practice for Palm Sunday each week during the opening portion of Sunday School.

**** EASTER** – There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday, April 21. Enjoy the day with your family. HE IS RISEN!



**** ARE YOU A PLANT ENTHUSIAST? -** Do you have a green thumb? Christ Lutheran School is looking for volunteers to help with our Annual Plant Sale, which is held at the NECC Ag Complex Friday, May 3 (8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.) and Saturday, May 4 (9:00 a.m. – 12 noon). We are **ESPECIALLY** looking for volunteers to help verify orders prior to check out, which requires some knowledge in plant identification. If you have just a couple hours to help during the sale, we would greatly appreciate it! Please call the school at 371-5536 if you can help.



Youthministry

Communication

Jr. High & Confirmation	Sr. High Activities
Text 81010 @ChristNo	Text 81010 @ChristNor

**** NEW SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY -** "Questions and The Answer" - Junior and Senior High Youth began a new study of hot topics during the Sunday School hour with our Bibles open! Topics include creation and evolution, divorce, questions about homosexuality, Islam, dating, and mission work. If you have questions or want to join in the questions and answers, talk with Heidi.

**** NEXT YOUTH NIGHT -** NYG circuit youth event, April 28 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. We'll join with youth from other local churches riding the bus together and traveling to the NYG. There will be food, a Bible study, a servant event, and lots of fun. Every youth attending should bring a regular sized candy bar for the servant event. NYG here we come!

**LUTHERAN HIGH
NORTHEAST**
Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



Lutheran High Northeast
2010 N. 37th St. Norfolk, NE 68701
Office 402-379-3040 Fax 402-379-8340
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 - Abbey Christian Store during regular business hours (M-F, 9-8; Sat. 9-6) or at LHNE.

**** 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.

**** POSITION OPEN AT LHNE –** Seeking candidates for a weeknight (3 hours) janitor position to start immediately. Interested candidates should contact Principal Daniel Sievert for more information.

**** WHY LHNE?** Most of the benefits are difficult to convey with numbers, but are better understood when they are experienced firsthand: The friendly atmosphere, the caring and safe environment, the teachers who are devoted to students, and most importantly, being centered on Christ. It is certainly a great place to grow, and we want to invite you to be a part of something great ... just listen to our current students share their experiences in the new iBelong video posted at www.lhne.org ... you belong at LHNE!

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

Rev. Shauen and Krista Trump (Josiah, Elijah, Isaiah, and Jeremiah) are missionaries in Eastern and Southern Africa. Rev. Trump shares that Bishop Selestine of The Lutheran Mission in Africa requested LCMS to provide training in Christ-centered counseling. 25 years ago, there was a genocide in Rwanda that impacted the people still today. Rev. Trump requested trained pastors in reconciliation to hold a conversation for two dozen pastors and their wives at the church's headquarters in Rwamagana. For the pastors, the conference was their first ever opportunity to gather as a community and approach the issue of reconciliation theologically. For the wives, many met for the first time and it was an opportunity to build a new community and gain insight and skills for their own work in the congregation. The missionaries saw the wonder of God's amazing act of love in reconciliation through Jesus Christ and how that flows through the body of Christ to His people seen through the eyes of their Rwandan brothers and sisters. Bishop Selestine wrote: "We experienced love and the hand of God, touching our wounds, pains and past bad memories into the new proclaimed forgiveness to us and therefore new life and ministry in the finished work of our Lord Jesus Christ."

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

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 7, 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, Lois 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 the family of Moriah Vavra called from this earthly life this past week.
- For Carl Mellor in the loss of his wife, Geraldine (Gerrie) on Wednesday.
- For those celebrating 80 years or more of birthday blessings during the coming week including: Opal Raasch (4/8), Marilyn Biehle (4/10), Bernice Walters (4/10), Helen Wiedeman (4/11).
- For those affected by recent flooding and those involved in clean-up efforts as the recovery process continues.
- 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.

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 lwalmsley@clnorfolkmail.org.

**** WATCH SERMONS ONLINE** - Do you want to watch our sermons online? Now you can! Go to our website (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!

The easiest way to watch online sermons is to access to "YouTube" and search "Christ Lutheran Norfolk". To watch past sermon videos, click on "VIDEOS". Or click on "PLAYLISTS" and go to "Sermon Series". From our website, look for the dates that you want to watch – it is listed on the right column.

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 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

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 WalmsleyAdministrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS: Jim Siedschlag; 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

* 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 03/31/19 515 / 420
Lenten Midweek Worship 03/27 266
Sunday School / Staff 60 / 25
Bible Study 44

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 03/31/19 \$21,057
Amount borrowed\$ 55,000

June 2018 Yearend Deficit (\$203,359)

Received for Deficit reduction \$ 55,508

Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal (all committed) \$1,200,000
Rec'd towards committed goal as of 03/31 \$1,192,423
Amount paid out on project as of 03/31..... \$1,184,092
Surplus on project \$ 8,331

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, APRIL 7

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

MONDAY, APRIL 8

3:30 p.m. Finance

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Confirmation interviews

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

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. COUNCIL

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

6:00 p.m. PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

9:30 a.m. FOCUS assembly

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 – Palm Sunday

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