



Christ Lutheran Church
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

May 14, 2017

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** CELEBRATIONS IN WORSHIP** – We have many reasons to rejoice this weekend in worship. Among the blessings we celebrate are:

- **New Member Welcome** (8:00 service) for Brandon Hintz, Dorothy Freudenburg, JoAnn Kubat, Larry Freudenburg, Rusty and Linda Petersen.
- **Graduate Recognition** (8:00 service)
- **First Communion** (10:45 service) for our 22 Confirmands

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE – If you had your photo taken for the pictorial directory, you may pick up your copy in the Church Office during the week. If you did not have your photo taken for the directory and still wish to obtain one, you may purchase the book for \$10. (Only a limited number of extras are available.)

COMING THIS SUMMER



**** 2017 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** This year's VBS is called Maker Fun Factory. Our stories are all about creation. Day 2 teaches kids that "if God is for us, who can be against us?" What a great message for kids to learn about putting their trust in God! This fun week will teach children this and other valuable lessons through games, crafts, snacks, stories, and videos. Sign up now to help as a crew leader or station helper. Sign your children up to have a blast at VBS July 23-27 from 6 - 8:30 pm. Registration is available in the narthex and online at clnorfolk.org for children age 3 through grade 6. Contact Lisa Moreno with any questions.

**** NEW! CLC SUMMER BOOK READ & BIBLE STUDY** - The 500th Reformation is a great time to celebrate being Lutheran! CPH has developed an Internet Bible Study on the book "Being Lutheran" by Trevor Sutton. You have three options. 1. Study with a group online, 2. Study in a face to face group, 3. Read the book alone with study questions; or 4.(*bonus option*) All of the above! The study starts June 12 and is super flexible for the time frame. The sign up table is in the Narthex today. Take the opportunity to register and sign up for the prize drawing. Registration is due May 28. Prize drawing will take place June 4.

**** HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE SUMMER REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN** - Please stop by and grab a packet at the Center or give us a call with questions (402-379-3275). We have many exciting activities planned for the summer, including a trip to the water park most weeks for children 5 and up. Students will often attend three field trips per week. Daily themes and activities are planned for those under 5 and we'll bring in special items for them.



1 Peter 2:9 "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." God has called us to be His own. He has chosen us out of love, out of mercy, out of sheer, divine joy. The Apostle says that God has done this that we may share in His glory and joy, that we may "proclaim the excellencies of Him" who has made us His own. And truly, this is our delight! His joy brings joy in our hearts as well.

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 Winter	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>9-12 High School Study</i>	Moje / Wingert	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Youth Loft
<i>Grades 7-8 Bible Study</i>	Bryant/Kolterman/Wingert	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Room 126

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, May 23, at 7:00 a.m. The group meets every other Tuesday morning at First Choice Catering, 1110 South 9th Street (formerly Brass Lantern). There is a meal with a freewill offering. All men are invited to attend.

LIFE QUOTE: "As the Church of God it's time we rightly extolled the vocation of motherhood, and it's time we finally saw the resplendent majesty concealed therein. There is no greater vocation on earth for it is God's chosen means to bring children into this world and, likewise through parents, to bring children into Christ's kingdom of forgiveness through Holy Baptism." *Rev. Jonathan Conner, Zion Lutheran Church, Manning, Iowa - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

MISSION MEMO

News from **Rev. Stu and Deb Freese**, missionaries to Burkina Faso, West Africa. At the Big Event we helped them to go to Ghana, West Africa. A Liberian refugee, Rufus Kormah, living in Burkina Faso asked our missionaries in Togo, West Africa for assistance in training men about the teachings of the Bible. There are only 7 congregations in the country being served by one national Pastor. God has called **Rev. Stu Freese to Burkina Faso where 19 million people live.** They have never had the opportunity to hear the words of John 3:16 "God so loved the world..." They turn to witchcraft and black magic in an attempt to understand the things that are happening in their lives and why they are happening. Burkina is one of the poorest countries in the world, and it is the most illiterate country in the world. The Freeses will be learning the French and Moore languages. Pray that the people of Burkina Faso are willing to hear and share God's Word. **Pray that God provides men who want to be trained as Bible leaders for the church.**

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

**** SOS (Servants of the Savior)** will meet Tuesday, May 23rd at the Veterans' Home to assist with Bingo. The fun will begin at 6:45 p.m. Anyone interested in helping with Bingo and assisting the residents in this activity is welcome.



GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lisa Moreno – Children’s Ministry Coordinator

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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.

**** IN SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY** the children studied “Jesus Appears in Galilee”. We are all like Peter in our words and actions, denying our Lord and weeping bitterly over what we have done. We are in need of the same comfort that Peter received – the comfort of sins forgiven and the assurance that even though we are faithless, Jesus will remain faithful. You might discuss, “*How did Peter express his sorrow and repentance? What specific directions did Jesus give to Peter?*”

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF** - Our Sunday school staff is being assembled for the next school year, and we have some spots to fill. Can you help with:

- * Summer Sunday school teachers (you pick the dates)
- * Gr. 1-2 team teacher for the 2017-2018 school year (teach 2 times a month)
- * Gr. 4 team teacher for the 2017-2018 school year (teach 2 times a month)
- * Junior High team teacher for the 2017-2018 school year (teach 1 time a month)
- * Preschool team teacher for the 2017-2018 school year (teach 1 time a month)
- * Station leader to lead a prepared station 1-2 times a month

Our Sunday school staff is a fun bunch of dedicated Christians - why not join the staff to make some new friends and make a difference in the life of children in our congregation? Contact Lisa Moreno if you can help.

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION OFFERINGS** – This week and next week we will collect the mission offering that will go to the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod’s Urban and Inner City Mission. This mission’s purpose is to advance revitalization in city ministries, most of which are multi-ethnic or reach out across cultures with mercy and witness to the Gospel. Through the UICM, the church strives to provide a spiritual home for people who are searching for hope and healing. UICM offers training to equip leaders in witness, mercy and life together for community engagement that leads to gathering around Lutheran altars.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

**** CAMP LUTHER SCHOLARSHIPS** – *Last Chance ...* Christ Lutheran Church has scholarships for Camp Luther available to 5th graders who are members of the church and interested in attending Camp Luther this summer. Write a short essay about “*Why I would like to go to Camp Luther this summer*” and submit your essay to the church office by Monday, May 15. Scholarships will be determined based on the number of applicants and you will be notified after May 25th. You can select the week at Camp Luther that best fits your schedule. For more information about Camp Luther go to their website at campluther.org.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Join us for a special service, “*God Shed His Grace on Thee*”, for Memorial Day Weekend that reminds us of the grace we have been given by our God to live in a land of freedom, and the grace shed on us to receive freedom from our sin. Let the powerful words of Scripture, pastor’s message and hymns for a national holiday in this service help us to see how blessed we are by our God and how grateful we should be for those who sacrificed so much for our nation.

Services on Memorial Day Weekend will be held Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and only one service on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Both services will be identical and Holy Communion will be celebrated. No Sunday School or Bible Class will be held on this weekend.

Other “one-service Sundays” this summer will be the weekend of July 1 & 2 (preceding Independence Day) and September 2 & 3, (Labor Day Weekend). Again, no Sunday School or Bible Class will be held on these weekends.

JUNIOR HIGH

**** 8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION FAMILIES – PLEASE NOTE:**

- **Sunday, May 14** – First Communion Sunday at the 10:45 service. Families may sit together up front in order to be parts of the first tables to be communed that day.

**** MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE OPPORTUNITIES:** We have two summer events scheduled. To register for all events go to <https://christnorfolk.churchcenteronline.com/home>. Payments, however, still need to be turned in to the church office.

**** RELAY FOR MALAWI MAY 20:** Sign up to be a volunteer at the race, or participate in the 3 mile walk. The race is Saturday, May 20 at Tahazouka Park. Volunteers check in at 6:45 a.m. Runners check in at 7:00 a.m. and walkers at 8 a.m. Cost for this event is \$10 (whether you volunteer, run or walk) which includes a t-shirt. Although we will accept registrations the day of the race, in order to receive a t-shirt, registrations and payments must be received no later than Monday, May 15. The church office closes at 4:00 p.m. that day.

**** MINNESOTA RETREAT: AUGUST 2-4:** We will go visit other churches in St Paul MN, catch a twins game, visiting Concordia St. Paul, and participate in a service opportunity. We will also spend an afternoon at the Mall of America. This trip is combined with our Sr. High Youth Group. The nights we are gone we will stay on Campus at Concordia St. Paul, or at a local Church. We will travel by bus. Cost is \$120 per person. **Sign up by July 3rd.**

**** BIBLE STUDY 9:30 on SUNDAY!** - 7th & 8th Graders ... Join us on Sunday mornings in the 7th grade room as we continue to grow in our Christian faith. This bible study is led by Paul Kolterman, Chad & Megan Bryant, and Matt & Angela Wingert. We meet every Sunday at 9:30 -10:30 in the 7th grade room. During coming weeks we will be discussing the reliability, accuracy, and uses of God's Word.

SENIOR HIGH

We have four summer servant events scheduled this summer. Our hope is that all senior high youth will be able to participate in at least one service activity. To register go to <https://christnorfolk.churchcenteronline.com/home>. Payments, however, still need to be turned in to the church office. Check these dates on your calendar:

**** RUN FOR MALAWI:** Sign up to be a volunteer at the race, run the 30 mile race (alone or as a relay team), or participate in the 3 mile walk. The race is Saturday, May 20 at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park. Volunteers check in at 6:45 a.m.; runners check in at 7 a.m.; walkers at 8 a.m. Cost for this event is \$10 (whether you volunteer, run or walk) and includes a t-shirt. Although we will accept registrations the day of the race, in order to receive a t-shirt, registrations/payments must be received by Monday, May 15. The church office closes at 4:00 p.m. that day.

**** WINNEBAGO SERVICE PROJECT:** June 5-7 we will be serving at the Winnebago Reservation, painting a house and cleaning out gutters for residents of the community. Cost for this event is \$30. This fee includes meals and lodging at the church while we are there. Again, registration forms are online and payments are due in the church office. Deadline for this trip is Monday, May 22. Payments are due in the church office by 4:00 p.m.

**** HIS KIDS CAMP:** July 19-22 we will be serving at His Kids Camp at Camp Luther in Schuyler. We will buddy up with a handicapped camper and help them enjoy regular camp activities. All volunteers will receive training before campers arrive. Cost for this event is \$50. The deadline to register for this event is Monday, June 19. Payments are due in the church office by 4:00 p.m.

**** MINNESOTA RETREAT...AUGUST 2-4:** We will visit other churches in St Paul MN, catch a Twins game, visit Concordia, St. Paul, and participate in a service opportunity. We will also spend an afternoon at the Mall of America. This trip is combined with our Jr. High Youth Group. We will travel by bus and will spend nights at Concordia or at a local church. Cost is \$120 per person. Sign up by July 3.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 14, 2017

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: Janelle Bahr, Brian Beeks, Bobbie Bell, Nathan Boyle, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Roger Frank, Bruce Gardels, Deb Gebhardt, Bruce Hansen, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Sandy Horst, Jason Jackson, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Ruth Lehman, Stephanie McCorkle, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Lisa Murray, Jared Musser, Amy Neuhalfen, Sondra Reigle, Jim Roethler, Jean Schacher, Randy Schultz, Leon Schulz, Carol Thies, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Don Wolff, 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, Chris Bredehoeft, Brendan Gnewuch, Craig Herpy, EllaMae Jensen, Patty Landkamer, Steve Long, Marilyn Means, Vernon Miller, Connie Mock, Donniss Omer, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Sam Seikaly, Jim Siedschlag, Barb Slieter, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, and a young girl, Taryn.
- For those undergoing medical tests for cancer and other concerns.
- For Linda Petersen undergoing knee surgery on Tuesday; and for Troy Bowers undergoing surgery in Omaha on Tuesday.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Arlene Range (5/15), A.E. Shermer (5/19), and Vernon Hofmann (5/20).
- Thanksgiving for all mothers.
- For the Confirmation Class as they receive First Communion today, that they may continue to be nourished by this Sacrament throughout their life.
- Blessing for all of the graduates.
- For all students and teachers as they complete the end of another school year.
- For the Call Committee in the process of finding a first grade teacher.
- For Myka Mayo as she deliberates a call to serve at Immanuel Lutheran, Riverside, California, as well as her present call here at Christ Lutheran.
- For government, police and fire officials, and the military. 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.

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**** 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. Plan ahead now for holiday shopping and gift-giving. Scrip makes great gifts.

**** PART-TIME PHYSICS POSITION** - LHNE is seeking licensed candidates for a part-time physics position for the 2017-2018 school year. If interested, please send a resume to dsievert@lhne.org.

**** COACHING POSITIONS OPEN** - LHNE is seeking a dance coach and an assistant football coach for the 2017-18 school year. If interested, please contact Darin Suckstorf at dsuckstorf@lhne.org.

**** INFORMATION ON LHNE SUMMER SPORT CAMPS** is now available online. Check for complete information on the LHNE website. Some of the camps available are: girls and boys basketball, girls soccer, boys wrestling and football, girls basketball and volleyball, as well as art, chess and science camps.

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 is 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

Rev. Chip Winter Director of Ministry
Rev. David Goehmann Associate Pastor

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Chad Bryant Child Care Director
Starla Landkamer Stephen Ministry Leader
Sarah Moje Youth Coordinator
Lisa Moreno Children's Ministry Coordinator
Steve Stortz Principal
Matt Wingert Director of Youth Ministry

Administrative Staff

Judy Bohn Business Manager
Starla Landkamer Administrative Assistant
Lynn Walmsley Administrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week: at FRHS – Janelle Bahr, Joan Larson, at East – James Wagner. Russ Sila is temporarily 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 students and staff of Christ Lutheran School.

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship 05/07/17 845
Communed 287
Sunday School / Staff 68 / 20

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 05/07/17.....\$16,998

Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal\$1,200,000
Amount rec'd towards goal as of 5/07..... \$ 727,834
Amount paid out on project as of 5/07 \$ 671,888

This Week's Activities

SUNDAY, MAY 14 – Mother's Day

8:00 a.m. WORSHIP
New Member & Grad Recognition
9:30 a.m. Bible Class / Sunday School
10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

MONDAY, MAY 15

12:45 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:30 p.m. Finance
5:45 p.m. YOUTH BOARD

TUESDAY, MAY 16

6:30 p.m. Priscillas meet at S.M.I.L.E.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

8:20 a.m. Chapel
6:45 pm. Handbell Choir

THURSDAY, MAY 18 – Last Day of School

11:45 a.m. School dismissal
1:30 p.m. Ladies Circle
7:00 p.m. 8th Grade Graduation

FRIDAY, MAY 19

9:30 a.m. Bulletin assembly

SATURDAY, MAY 20

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, MAY 21

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

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. Submitting announcements earlier during the holidays is greatly appreciated. Please include a contact name on all announcements in case there are questions, or further information is needed.

* 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

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