



Christ Lutheran Church
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

May 21, 2017

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** HANDBELL CHOIR** – Our Handbell Choir season ends this weekend during the 8:00 a.m. service. The Handbell Choir and their director are thankful for the opportunity to provide music for worship: Maddie Lingenfelter, Sally Schroeter, Judy Nathan, Tina Bredehoeft, Katrina Peabody, Ally Moreno, Sue Bernstrauch, Anastasia Blom, Myka Mayo, Glenna Gutz, and Lisa Moreno. We would love to welcome new members to our group in the fall.

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.

The Christ Lutheran Campus will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

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.

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.



John 14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well, "She was forgiven much, so she loved much" (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins – and this causes love to well up in us, which in turn causes us to keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is "Love."

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.

**** 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.

LIFE QUOTE: "We cannot be uncreated, unforgiven, unaccepted, unreconciled, unbaptized, unjustified, or uncalled any more than Jesus can be unborn, uncrucified, or unresurrected. His rising again and ascending into heaven ensures that His cross atonement will align and assimilate everything, and sooner rather than later." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life — A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.

1 Peter 3:8



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 Ascends into Heaven”. Jesus went to prepare a place for us there with Him (Acts 1:1-11; Luke 24:44-53). Ask the children to tell you about Jesus’ ascension and what it means for them.

**** 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, gr. 4, and gr. 5 team teacher for the 2017-2018 school year (teach 2 times a month)
- * Preschool and Junior High team teachers 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 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.

**** NEXT WEEK** – There will be no Sunday School next week (May 28) due to a one-service Sunday for the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

**** LAURIE WILSON BENEFIT** – Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day) 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 520 East Main Street in Pierce. This is a free-will BBQ provided by “Wolfenditters BBQ & Catering” Additional menu items will be supplied by Zion and St. John Lutheran Churches. A Bake Sale and Silent Auction are also included. Laurie is currently hospitalized at UNMC/Omaha from complications of her heart surgeries. She is the daughter of Marlyn and Laurita Nitz, the wife of Brent Wilson and mother of two young daughters, Laurissa and Breanna. (Cousin of Ron and Rick Nitz). Action Team funds provided by Thrivent Financial.

**** TEN POINT PITCH PLAYERS** will be meeting with our sister congregations on Thursday, June 1, at Grace Lutheran Church basement (5th Street and Park Avenue). Everyone is welcome to enjoy the fun of playing, beginners as well as experienced players. We play from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Come and enjoy the afternoon and meet new friends. You may bring snacks to share and drink is provided.

**** BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE** – The family of Kenneth Brandt invites you to celebrate Kenny’s 80th birthday on Sunday, June 4, at an Open House from 1:30-4:00 p.m. at the Christ Lutheran fellowship hall. No gifts please, just celebrate with us! Cards can reach Kenny at 803 Skyview Circle, Norfolk.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Moved by God's Love to Impact

Matt Wingert, Director of Youth Ministry mwingert@clnorfolkmail.org

Website: www.clnorfolk.org

Sarah Moje, Youth Coordinator youth@clnorfolkmail.org

Click on Ministries and select your group

JUNIOR HIGH

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

** 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 three 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 and enjoy serving the Lord through the project. 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:

** 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.

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PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 21, 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, 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 those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Kenny Brandt (5/21) and Ellen Glanzer (5/21), and Larry Lenox (5/27).
- God's blessings for the Malawi Mission Team.
- For safety as many families begin summer vacation travels in coming weeks.
- 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.

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Pastoral Staff

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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, Linda Petersen, Joan Larson, at East – James Wagner. Russ Sila is temporarily at St. Joseph Care Center. Mildred Korth is temporarily at Heritage of Bel Air. 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.

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

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship 05/14/17 613
Communed 182
Sunday School / Staff 65 / 23

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 05/14/17.....\$22,290

Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal\$1,200,000
Amount rec'd towards goal as of 5/14..... \$ 730,313
Amount paid out on project as of 5/14 \$ 671,888

This Week's Activities

SUNDAY, MAY 21

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

MONDAY, MAY 22

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

TUESDAY, MAY 23

8:30 a.m. ECHO Mailing
12:00 noon STEWARDSHIP
6:45 p.m. SOS at Veterans' Home
7:00 p.m. EVANGELISM, TRUSTEES,
ELDERS, CHILD CARE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

7:00 p.m. CHRISTIAN NURTURE

FRIDAY, MAY 26

9:30 a.m. Bulletin assembly

SATURDAY, MAY 27

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, MAY 28 – Memorial Day Weekend

9:30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION
No Sunday School or Bible Class

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