



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

Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

July 22, 2018

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** FUNERAL** – Mildred “Milly” Kruse was called to her Savior’s side, July 16, 2018. Funeral service and Christian burial were held Friday, July 20, 2018.

You are invited to attend the congregation’s BLOCK PARTY PICNIC

Sunday, July 22 from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Hosted and served by the Board of Elders

Everyone is invited for this annual VBS kick-off event.



**** VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STARTS TODAY:** Preschool and Kindergarten will meet from 6:00 to 8:20 (NOTE NEW TIME) and Elementary students will meet from 6:00 to 8:30. If you have not yet signed up, please do so following services today. Forms are available in the narthex.

**** VBS OFFERINGS** this year will help the Norfolk Stuff the Bus Campaign to provide school supplies to needy families in town. We also will collect money to provide drought-tolerant seeds to the people of Haiti, to help provide long-term food security. Here are the suggested items for each day:

- **Sunday:** Wide ruled notebook and 4 folders/pennies
- **Monday:** pkg. #2 yellow wooden pencils, 2 big erasers, and a 5 x 8” pencil box/nickels
- **Tuesday:** 2 boxes 24 ct. crayons, and a package of glue sticks/ dimes
- **Wednesday:** 4 oz. bottle Elmer’s glue and Fiskar scissors for age 5-8/ quarters
- **Thursday:** red pens and 2 boxes Kleenex/ dollars
- New or gently used backpacks are also welcome any day of the week.

**** VBS SNACK DONATIONS:** All snacks need to be in the church kitchen today, except for the fresh berries, which are needed on Thursday, July 26.

**** VBS DONATIONS** are being accepted in the basket on the VBS table. Thanks for your generous support!

**** VBS ITEMS TO BORROW:** small hammers, rolling pins, broom and dust pans are all still needed. If you can loan any of these items, please leave them with your name on them, in the church office.

WINTER FAREWELL & GODSPEED

Sunday, August 5

Potluck Dinner in School Gym following 10:45 service.

Meat, table service and beverage furnished.

Those attending are asked to bring a salad or vegetable dish if last names begin with A-L; M-Z are asked to bring a dessert.

A gift box for farewell wishes will be available in the Narthex the next 2 Sundays

The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church

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



**** MORE FROM MALAWI** - The next wave of Malawi graduates are on their way from Africa to start school at Northeast Community College. Six to ten students are projected to come this year. There are plenty of ways to help! You could: be a host family + be a financial sponsor + be part of a transportation team + donate small items like school supplies, clothes, or gift cards + have a student over for lunch after church, or be a partial host family. For simple money donations you can earmark the special gold envelope in your contribution envelope box "Malawi student". There are so many ways to help! Contact Pastor Dave for more information.

**** POSITION OPENING:** Our Director of Children's Ministry, Lisa Moreno, will be leaving that post this summer. As she continues to help us organize our Vacation Bible School (VBS) for this July, we thank God for all her diligent leadership and service over the past eight years. Lisa has accepted a fulltime position with Norfolk Public Schools – something that has been in her prayers for a long time. We thank God for answering this prayer and opening this new door for Lisa. This means however, we are looking for someone to serve in the part-time capacity, aiding us in our VBS and Sunday School ministry. If you or anyone you know might be interested in being the Director of Children's Ministry, please contact Pastor Winter.

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.	Fellowship Hall
<i>Grades 7-8 Bible Study</i>	Bryant/Kolterman/Wingert	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL

	Lisa Moreno, Coordinator		
<i>Parents & 2's</i>		Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>Preschoolers</i>		Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Intergenerational
<i>Kindergarten – Gr. 6 & special needs adults</i>		Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School

(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, July 31, 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** led by Pastor Goehmann meets every Thursday from 6:45-7:45 a.m. at HyVee West. Currently the group is studying the book, *Jesus the King* by Timothy Keller. All men are welcome to attend. Contact Pastor Goehmann for more information.

**** LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY of Obadiah-Jonah-Micah** will begin the week of September 10. This 9-week course will conclude our study of the Old Testament Books of the Bible. If you have not pre-registered, forms are available in the Narthex. Study guides will be ordered July 30. Your book will be available to you in August upon our receiving them from Concordia Publishing House. Questions? Call Darlene Davis at 402-371-9659.

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

Rev. Doug and Angie Thompson are missionaries in Sierra Leone, West Africa. They received support from the Big Event last November. Sierra Leone is 60% Muslim, 30% animist religion, and 10% "Christian," some are influenced by Pentecostalism and the prosperity gospel. Sierra Leone is a land in which people are dying for thirst. The need for the true Gospel of the preaching of Christ crucified is indeed very great. The true drink for thirsty souls is Word and Sacrament. Njamao Village consists of 155 souls. Njamao means "by the water" and was converted from Muslim to Lutheran. There is a need for theological books. Some arrived by sea from the U.S. and some by container via Togo. Rev. Gaugert missionary to Togo accompanied the container of books from Guinea on a perilous land journey. Jembe is the place where a training session for future seminary teachers is located. Pray that God opens hearts to believe the Word of God and that God raises up trainees to participate in Bible based instruction focused on Word and Sacrament.

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

**** FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION:** Nonperishable grocery items and canned goods are currently being collected at the Apple Box display in the Narthex. Christ Lutheran is responsible for serving the Norfolk Food Pantry during the month of July.

**** MEALS ON WHEELS** – Christ Lutheran will again be delivering Meals on Wheels to our shut-in residents in Norfolk for weeks beginning July 30 thru August 17. Volunteers will meet at the Norfolk Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. each morning to pick up their coolers to deliver and usually only have 5-8 stops taking about 45 minutes to an hour before returning empty coolers back to the Center.

Volunteers for the first week July 30 – August 3 are as follows: Route 1 – Gertie Hofmann and Jean Woockman; Route 2 – Patsy Wasson and grandchildren; Route 4, 5, 6 & 7 – Jerome Woockman and Hank Scott; Route 8 – Judy Allvin and Dorothy Wetzler; Route 10 – Tom and Lola Brockman.

Thanks to everyone for generously giving of your time to help out. If you have any questions or a change in the schedule, please contact Sheri Anderson at 402-992-1357.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

I Timothy 1:5

LIFE QUOTE: “Please join us in praying for those who make, administer, and judge our laws that they may reflect the truth, love, and life of our Lord Jesus Christ in their policies and actions until the Savior returns to bring our redemption and resurrection to fulfillment in new creation and everlasting kingdom.” *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.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.

**** SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Intergenerational Sunday School meets in the church fellowship hall with all ages participating. Parents are encouraged to attend WITH their children and make this your family devotional time! Classes are led by the pastors and church staff. We are studying the Books of Moses. Please come to enjoy the shared learning and fellowship!

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF NEEDED FOR THE FALL:**

- * Team teachers in preschool and junior high to teach once a month and help once a month
- * Grade 2 and grade 6 team teacher to teach twice a month
- * THREE OR FOUR station leaders are needed to lead a prepared activity from 10-10:30 on Sundays they choose.
- * Greeters to welcome people to Sunday school from 9:15 - 9:35
- * Opening leader to lead children in a slideshow

Please contact Lisa Moreno if you can help!



**** TEN POINT PITCH PLAYERS** will be meeting with our sister congregations on Thursday, August 2, at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church (2nd Street and Omaha Avenue). Everyone is welcome to attend. The group plays from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Come play for fun and enjoy making new friends as well as seeing old friends. You may bring snacks to share and drink is provided.

**** ST. JOHN GREEN GARDEN LUTHERAN CHURCH** rural Madison will host an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 5 at the Madison Charity Hall (formerly Knights of Columbus). Serving will be from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Menu includes sloppy-joes, hot dogs, baked beans, chips, pies, desserts and ice cream. Free will donations will go to S.M.I.L.E.

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

youthministry

Communication & Sign Ups

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Director of Youth Ministry
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eventsignups

want to sign up for events or email lists?

- go to christnorfolk.churchcenteronline.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.

BIBLE STUDY FOR JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

The whole campus meets together for an Intergenerational Bible Study this Summer. We meet in the Fellowship Hall during Bible study hour as we grow and learn together. This opportunity helps our campus grow together in the faith, and create mentorships and help raise up leaders in the faith. We have a very diverse congregation and this summer, in Bible study, we all get to learn from each other.

**** JR. HIGH KAYAKING** will be Sunday, July 29, from 2:00-4:00 at Skyview Lake. If you are in Jr. High and you want to get on the water, come kayaking and try not to get shipwrecked, but we'll come save you if necessary. Bring \$5, a friend and an adventurous spirit!

**** YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE** – The next Youth Worship Service will be Sunday, July 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Narthex. The service is geared to the youth, but everyone is invited. Food and fellowship are provided.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 22, 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, Marvin Herbert, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Sandy Horst, Jason Jackson, Lela Kiepkke, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Colet Lierman, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Lisa Murray, Jackie Nelson, Amy Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Jim Roethler, Randy Schultz, Leon Schulz, Nicholle Soukup, 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, Mike Brockhaus, Robert Daughton, Dianne Deskins, Brendan Gnewuch, Craig Herpy, EllaMae Jensen, Jerry Kerkman (brother of Connie Schulz), Steve Long, Marilyn Means, Connie Mock, Donnis Omer, Harlan Prauner, 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 the family of Milly Kruse, called to her Savior's side this past week.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings this week including: Verna Honcik (7/22), Lucy Sanders (7/22), Wilma Purdy (7/24) and Harlan Prauner (7/28).
- For a person to carry-on the leadership of Children's Ministry.
- For our military, those who have faithfully served and / or continue to serve.
- For peace in our land and an end to the violence and 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.

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

Rev. Chip Winter Director of Ministry

Rev. David Goehmann Associate Pastor

Ministry Staff

Chad Bryant Child Care Director

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

Dale Beckmann Business Manager

Starla Landkamer Administrative Assistant

Lynn WalmsleyAdministrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS; Janet Griel, Willard Vyhlihal; at Dakota Dunes – Jim Gardels; at Women's Methodist/Omaha – twins Maddox and Merrick 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 07/15/18 508

Communed 259

Intergenerational Sunday School 47

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 07/15/18.....\$22,637

Amount borrowed \$45,000

Growing the Future Campaign

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

Rec'd towards committed goal as of 07/15 \$1,061,028

Amount paid out on project as of 07/15 ... \$1,181,553

Amount borrowed on project \$ 120,525

Capital Campaign (for Land Acquisition)

Purchase Price \$ 277,000

Early Commitment -100,000

Christ Lutheran School Foundation - 57,000

Previously received offerings - 20,000

Needed & authorized by Voters for Capital Campaign \$ 100,000

Offerings received for Capital Campaign - 31,125

Amount needed \$ 68,875

This Week's Activities

VBS Sunday – Thursday ... 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Supper Monday – Thursday ... 5:30-6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

8:00 a.m. WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Sunday School

10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

4:30 p.m. BLOCK PARTY PICNIC

6:00 p.m. VBS

MONDAY, JULY 23

3:30 p.m. Finance

TUESDAY, JULY 24

8:30 a.m. ECHO Mailing

6:30 p.m. STEWARDSHIP

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

7:00 p.m. CHRISTIAN NURTURE

THURSDAY, JULY 26

6:00-8:30 p.m. Final night of VBS

FRIDAY, JULY 27

9:30 a.m. Bulletin assembly

SATURDAY, JULY 28

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, JULY 29

8:00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Sunday School

10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

2:00 p.m. Jr. High Kayaking @ Skyview

6:30 p.m. Youth Worship Service