



Christ's Messenger

"To know Christ and to make Him known"



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

The American Association of Lutheran Churches

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Greetings!

...This page is usually reserved for our Pastor's report. Hopefully this spot will have a message next month from our new Pastor!!

As many of you know, the Call Committee held a special congregational meeting on September 19 and we voted to call Pastor Paul Hueter and to accept the compensation package that was presented. We called Dr. Lein's that same evening and he in turn contacted Pastor Hueter to let him know our decision and discuss our compensation package with him. Hopefully by our next newsletter we will know if Pastor Hueter has accepted our call and we will be making plans to move him to Duluth. He had mentioned to us when he was here that he would be interested in purchasing a home so this is also part of his decision making process. Please keep praying God's will for this decision.

In regard to our lightning strike and fire, our insurance claims have been renegotiated between our restoration company, a field adjuster, and our insurance company adjuster and were finally approved as of September 26th. There is much more that needs to be done than what they had initially anticipated especially in regards to the electrical. There is also an open window for unforeseen items that are found as repairs are being made. Our insurance company, Brotherhood Mutual has issued checks directly to us and now and we will be paying subcontractors directly for their work upon completion. It is a little more paper work on our end, but we ultimately have control of dispersing those funds. The cross will be coming down and repairs will begin soon.

Our electrician has given us the go-ahead to have our new boiler installed. We will be making that our top priority now and get that scheduled with the cold weather approaching. We have started cleaning out closets and shelves in Fellowship Hall, the copy room, Sunday school – blue room and the Library. We ask that if you have items in these closets to come forward and go through them or ask if a different location has been assigned for them. We have added more shelving for Sunday school materials so that has freed up storage space in other areas. Again, we will be making all things clean and organized for when our new pastor comes. Painting is also scheduled to begin soon.

Again, thank you for being patient and praying for so many things during this process. We don't know why God allowed all of this to happen, but we can see His hand in many things now. No matter what our personal thoughts and feelings are about things we need to work in unity and accept things as they are. Please read Philippians Chapter 2.

May God bless us and provide all things needed in a timely fashion so we may be whole again soon.

In Christ,

Carolyn Lofald, Vice President

October 2018

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Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

Philippians 2:3-8

October 2018 Serving Schedule

Church Office: Juliana Morgan
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Vice-President: Carolyn Lofald

Treasurer: Laurie Wiita
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Church Website: www.clcduluth.org

Sunday Worship

Praise Time—9:15AM

Worship—9:30AM

Sunday School - 11AM (Sept.-May)

Adult Bible Study—11:00 AM

MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

Mary Circle 1st Thur. 9:30 AM

Esther Circle 1st Thur. 6:30 PM

Dorcas Circle 2nd Mon. 1:00 PM

Lutherans for Life -

2nd Sunday 6:30PM

Council Meeting-2nd Thursday

PACT Televised Services

Duluth:

Charter Ch. 180

Sat. @ 9AM & 9PM;

Sun. @ 7AM

Superior:

SCMC 180

Wed. @ 6:00pm

Sun. @ 10:00am

Hermantown:

Sun. @ 8 AM

Thur. @ 2 PM

Sat. 8 @ AM

**The Deadline for
submitting news for the
November Messenger is
Tuesday, October 30.**

October 7

Ushers: Dale Lund; David Wood

Greeter: Bob & Kay Dahl

October 14

Ushers: Grace Wells; Bill & Jan Arezzo

Greeter: Norma Johnson

October 21 - Communion Sunday

Ushers: Mike & Wendy Pickar; Mike & Pam Wendling

Greeter: Chuck & Lowaine Morris

October 28

Ushers: Jim Carlson; David Wood

Greeter:

November 4

Ushers: Jim Carlson

Greeter:

USHERS NEEDED PLEASE

We want to thank all of you that have come forward and have signed up to be ushers and greeters!!! We couldn't do it without you!!! We would certainly welcome more volunteers!!! We will no longer be assigning you to the usher/greeter lists, it will strictly be on a volunteer basis so you can work around dates you are available. If you have been an usher in the past, please check the list and let us know when you can serve so we have good coverage. Again, we will pair all new ushers with those that have ushered previously. Remember, many hands make for a lighter load! Thank you!

Please Contact: Carolyn at 722-8392 or Wendy at 722-6112

Trustees:

October 7: Wendy & Ouitdee

October 14: Stacy & Bill

October 21: Grace & Kim

October 28: Sandy & Sue

November 4: Wendy & Ouitdee

Coffee Servers:

October 7:

October 14: Luther League

October 21: Library

October 28: Esther Circle

November 4:

Please Pray for....

- The Leadership of the Church
- The Call Committee
- Youth Group Kids & Leaders
- Open Arms Daycare
- Mission of the Month: MN Adult & Teen Challenge
- Pray for each other -that we would stay firm in our Christian faith and live in unity under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
- Our Country, Military & Police
- The teachers and students at public, private, & Christian Schools
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world

Those with Health Needs:

Gerald & Aletha Bartels

Shirley Randa

Sig Randa***

Bryan Goepfing

Brian MacDonald

David MacDonald

Shirley Kern

Dennis Peterson*

Dick Seseman***

Bill & Jane McLean**

Jean Sundstrom

Katie Lund**

Susan Johnson**

Vi Boder

Russ & Carol Schramm

Ruth Dahl

Florence Kubiak

Leo Plewa

Mary Jenny

Marlene Stauber

Don Olson

Pastor Tom Stover

*in the hospital, recently released, or anticipating surgery

**receiving therapy or ongoing medical care

***in hospice care

If there are any people who have been accidentally overlooked, please contact the church office. We apologize for any oversights

Notice:

The Annual Congregational meeting will be held

Oct. 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

We will be voting on the budget for 2019 and electing officers for next year's Church Council.

The Youth will be serving Spaghetti Supper at 5:15 PM.

Please have your group reports to the office by

Fri., Oct. 12.

Your report does not need to be long, but should include a summary of the years' activities and a year end financial statement.

FUNERAL SERVING

It has come to our attention that the Mary and Dorcas Circle ladies would welcome a little extra help to serve for funeral luncheons. If you are willing to be on an on-call list, please let us know. We are welcome to use Peace In Christ Church for funerals, weddings, and baptisms if need be, and also the use of their fellowship hall.

We are keeping in contact with Pastor Ludwig and he is available to help if needed. Andrew Virkus is also available for funerals.

Please call Carolyn if you would like to help out, have questions or have a need: 722-8392 or 390-8357.



Saturday
October 27th
from 9-2

Join us for a vendor and craft fair as well as games, crafts, and prizes for the kids! There will be a Root Beer Garden and brats for sale along with baked goods!

The Luther League is asking for volunteers to help with a variety of things. We will need help running games, grilling brats, serving root beer, and many other things. There will be a sign up sheet to help or contact Ally, Jessica, or Jackie.

*How can a young man keep his way pure?
By guarding it according to your word.
With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!
I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.
Blessed are you, O LORD;
teach me your statutes!*

Psalm 119:9-12



Fall has officially arrived with chilly days and changing leaves. On my way to daycare this morning I was so blessed to be able to see the orange stripe of the start of sunrise. Just above the orange, a stripe of pink and then beautiful billowy lavender and blue clouds. God is so great! He gives us extra special amazing gifts every day.

He made the moon to mark the seasons; the sun knows it's time for setting. Psalm 104:19

Thank you Norma for blessing us with another fun visit. You are so thoughtful and the kids love their puppets.

We have lots of fun nature activities planned for this month. We are also going to start a fun reading program and have a harvest festival. Our songs this month are *Peace Like a River*, *Every Move I Make I Make in You Jesus* and *Only Jesus*. We love singing every day and we always have a fun time learning new songs.

Fun things the kids have said...

One of the mom's shared with me that she overheard her children talking about God when they were playing. She said they were wondering whether God was a boy or a grown up.

One of the mom's said that when she asks her little boy who loves him he happily says God.

Adam and Joshua are best buddies. I heard them saying God loves you sooooo much to each other. It was so sweet.

Lunch time prayers...

Adam prays for his mom and dad and his friends at daycare.

Cora thanks Jesus for her mom and dad and her toys and neighbors.

Joshua prays dear Lord Jesus thank you for my food and my baby brother.

Little Addy folds her hands and says thank you for pizza and cookies.

We hope you all have all you need and have lots to be thankful for.

And let us not grow weary of doing good. For in due season we will reap if we do not give up.

Galatians 6:9

Many blessings to all for a super fun time this fall!

Mary Jo

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- MN Adult & Teen Challenge will be our mission of the month for October. They will also be singing and giving testimonials at our church service on Sunday morning, October 28. Esther Circle will be serving a brunch that morning.
- Gary & Carolyn Lofald will be hosting a table for the 2018 MN Adult & Teen Challenge Gala on Thursday, October 25 at the DECC, dinner choices are chicken or cheese tortellini. Please call Gary or Carolyn (722-8392) if you are interested in attending this event.
- Please prayerfully consider if the Lord would have you serve as a member of the Christ Lutheran Church Council. We need people to serve as president, vice-president, deacon, and trustee. Please see Carolyn Lofald if you are interested or would like more information.
- Don't forget! The first Sunday of each month is **FOOD SHELF SUNDAY!** Please bring an item or two to help those in need. Cash donations are also appreciated.

THANK YOU

To CLC Council

Thank you for your precious gifts and the honor showed to Joan and me at our final gathering August 26. We'll miss you all.

Pastor Carl and Joan

Fields of Faith is coming up fast!

Oct. 10th is right around the corner and Northeast MN FCA will again be hosting Fields of Faith (FOF) in Duluth, Wednesday October 10th 8pm at Public Schools Stadium. The target audience for FOF are high school age students but we encourage the whole community to come out and support the students in attendance.

For those who have never attended in the past. Fields of Faith is a student led event. Students invite, pray for, share with, and challenge their peers to read the Bible and follow Jesus Christ. An athletic field provides a neutral, rally point where a community can come together.

Help Wanted:

We are looking for more help running some of the electronic equipment at church. We need people to run the computer monitor and video camera and also people to help with editing the videos. If you are in high-school and looking for community service volunteer hours this would be a great opportunity!

Please see Grace DeRocher, Kelly Michel, or Mark Wiita if you are interested in helping in any of these areas.



We would kindly ask that the handicap accessible parking spots only be used by those that have a parking permit. There are members in our congregation who need the access to load and unload their equipment. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

October Mission of the Month:
Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge

For over 30 years Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge has been assisting teens and adults in gaining freedom from chemical addictions and other life-controlling problems by addressing their physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

Teen Challenge offers a residential program for teenage girls and boys struggling with chemical addictions, as well as behavioral problems.

For teens, there are both long and short term options. Programming is provided in a structured therapeutic community offering continuous observation and treatment by professional multidisciplinary staff members.

Additionally, they offer a long term faith-based residential recovery program for adults that assists individuals in gaining freedom from drug and alcohol addiction and the life controlling problems associated with it.

These programs are not offered cost free. Each resident is required to pay monthly room and board fees. Some fees are covered by outside agencies, but the majority of funding comes from private sources such as churches, businesses, and individuals.

In addition to your monetary support, there are several other ways you could help, job/intern opportunities, volunteering, or becoming a mentor.

Please prayerfully consider a donation to this month's chosen mission. You may make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church. Thank you for your continued support in our mission "To know Christ and to make Him known."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Bill McLean
October 15

Lydia Wiita
October 16

Jim Carlson
October 22

Donna Swanson
October 26

Ruth Dahl
October 30

Paul Holt
October 31

*All the days ordained for me were written in
your book before one of them came to be.
How precious to me are your thoughts,
O God! How vast is the sum of them!
Psalm 139:16,17*

Financial Update: 2018 annual budget: \$241,059

weekly need: \$4,636; YTD need: \$171,532

	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Daycare</u>	<u>Total</u>
09/16/2018	\$2,671	\$0	\$2,194	\$4,865
Year to Date	\$100,494	\$7,135	\$44,816	\$152,445

Collection for August Mission of the Month:
Lutheran Bible Translators - \$770.00

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21