



**CHRIST'S UNITED'S NEWS & VIEWS**  
***JULY/AUGUST 2018***  
**PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS**

***FREEDOM AS REVEALED IN JESUS***

July is a time when reflect upon and celebrate our freedom as a nation. It is a time in which we celebrate Americana; that is, we celebrate our independence as a nation through and by events that typify American exuberance—parades and picnics, fireworks and festive music. These celebrations can be loud and bombastic. But we are also to be mindful of the sacrifices of the many who have given their lives in such ways that our freedom as a nation is maintained. We should never take such freedom for granted. And because such freedoms are fragile, we must be ever vigilant against any and all abuses that may infringe upon such freedom.

Freedom has come to mean many things in our world today. We desire freedom...from some things...free from oppression, from fear, from tyranny, from illness and disease, from anxiety and despair, free from external infringements on our hopes and dreams, free from injustice and the presence of evil. Likewise we also seek to be free in the manners in which we desire to pave our own path and destiny without the burdens of unsolicited and unwelcomed constraints or restrictions placed upon or before us by powers and entities beyond our control.

William Willimon, a retired bishop in the United Methodist Church, characterizes a contemporary, conventional way of understanding of being free as having “the maximum ability to choose whatever life I want to live with a minimum of external

attachments.” In other words, “I am most free when I am least attached to anyone other than me.” Willimon laments, “Modernity is that form of paganism that enjoys thinking that it has at last achieved humanity with unconstrained vistas...I am free to do anything I want to do. I can write my own script.” Freedom, as such, is cheapened as a concept if it is merely reduced to a freedom from others’ control or as a freedom of choice.

The apostle Paul wrote of a different kind of freedom, a freedom not validated by a culture that promotes exuberant self-expression but a freedom received from another’s obedience and a freedom to serve others beyond one’s self-interests. Freedom, in this instance, is intricately and inescapably connected to the person and mission of Christ Jesus; freedom is relational and is received as a gift of God to be exercised in faith and loving service. Paul writes, “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free” (Galatians 5:1). This freedom that Paul asserts is not an autonomous, individualistic freedom apart from limits or boundaries, but rather a freedom characterized by right relationships and selfless actions. In Christ, we are called to be free, but we are not to use our freedom to indulge in selfish ways. (5:13).

Paul understands freedom in the Christian sense to be not a philosophical or political concept but a quality to be found in God’s relationship to us through Christ and the Spirit. He writes, “Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom” (2 Corinthians 3). We have been set free from self-determinations and self-interestedness and given over and equipped to follow Jesus in caring for others.

Jesus promised his followers, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free” (John 8:31-32). As such, freedom is where “one ends up as a result of formation in the word and the practice of discipleship.” Scott Bader-Saye affirms that “true freedom is not an arbitrary license to choose but rather the capacity to become who we are.” Freedom, understood from a Christian perspective, “never separates individuals from one another or from all external authorities, but results in people fully living their humanity, rightly oriented to God and in relationship with one another.”

In Christ, free we are! Free to be for each other as Christ is for us!

~Pastor John

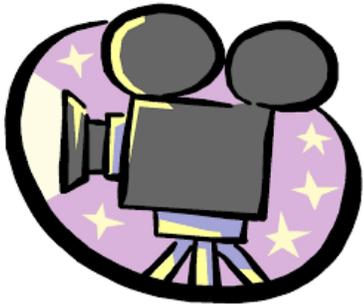
## ***BIBLE STUDIES***



<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Christ's United</b>	<b>First Lutheran</b>	<b>Christ's United</b>
<b>July 2</b>	<b>July 3</b>	<b>To Be</b>
<b>July 9</b>	<b>July 10</b>	<b>Announced</b>
<b>July 16</b>	<b>July 17</b>	
<b>July 23</b>	<b>July 24</b>	

Dates of Wednesday Bible Studies as well as studies for August will be announced in the bulletins.

## ***MOVIE NIGHT***



A family movie will be shown outside (weather permitting) on First Lutheran's grounds, on **Friday, July 20**. Festivities will start at **8:30 p.m.** with a social time, with a movie following soon after it becomes dark enough. The parish will supply drinks and snacks. Attendees are to bring blankets and chairs to sit on. Attendees may also bring snacks to share if they wish. No advance sign-up is necessary. Stay tuned for more details on the name of the movie.

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*A man and his wife were driving their RV across the country and were nearing a town spelled Kissimee. They noted the strange spelling and tried to figure how to pronounce it - KISS-a-me; kis-A-me; kis-a-ME. They grew more perplexed as they drove into the town. Since they were hungry, they pulled into a place to get something to eat. At the counter, the man said to the waitress: "My wife and I can't seem to be able to figure out how to pronounce this place. Will you tell me where we are and say it very slowly so that I can understand." The waitress looked at him and said: "Buuurrrgerrr Kiiiiinnng."*

## ***PUBLIC SALES***



Our public sale food stand committee has three upcoming estate sales for which they will be providing food. Please check the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary for sign-up sheets for requested donations and sign up to help as you are able.

The dates of the upcoming sales are

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Estate</u>       | <u>Place of Sale</u>   |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| July 7      | 8:00 a.m.   | Sandy Stahl         | Christ's United        |
| July 18     | 4:00 p.m.   | Mary Ellen VonNeida | 106 E Green St., Mfbg. |
| August 4    | TBA         | Jeff Spotts         | Christ's United        |

## ***PARISH EVENTS***



At the BVLV Social Ministry Committee meeting on May 27, it was agreed to hold a worship service and picnic on **Sunday, September 9** at Knoebels near Elysburg.

While nothing is confirmed at this point, the idea is to reserve a pavilion for worship, as well as a charcoal grill for a picnic. Worship and the picnic would be free for individuals to attend. (The parish would pay for the pavilion and basic food expenses).

One early worship service would be held at one of the churches and then the Knoebels events would start with a worship there at 11:00 a.m. Lunch would be at 12 noon.

Members can bring a covered dish to share. Afterwards, people would pay for their own rides, use of the pool at the park and/or eat park food if they choose, or just sit around and enjoy the day.

If you have questions, talk to Bev Catherman, Maurice or Barbara Clouser, Barry Spangler, Janice Wagner, Deanna Billow, Barb Randecker or Jim Schwartz and stay tuned for further information as it becomes available.



## ***WEST END FAIR*** ***AUGUST 5 - 11***

### **HELP WANTED**

This year the West End Fair starts **Sunday, August 5**, and continues through **Saturday, August 11**. Our stand will be open each day from **Monday (August 6) through Saturday (August 11)**.

As we do every year, we will need help, and lots of it. We will be looking for help in the dining areas, in the kitchen (both cooking and making up the platters as the orders come in), cashiers, as well as clean-up and dishwashing crews. **Training Provided - No Experience Necessary.**

Sign up on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary or talk to one of these people to volunteer your help:

- cooking & preparing food in the Kitchen, making up the platters & sandwiches or dish washing, contact Kim Blyler – 570-922-4114 or 570-716-5601
- as servers in the Dining Room, contact Bev Catherman – 570-922-1640
- as a cashier, contact Katherine Hassinger – 570-966-6209
- cleaning up at close each evening, contact Tom Catherman – 570-922-1662
- cooking the meat early in the mornings, contact Ben Wenrich – 570-966-6209
- helping cook Pot Pie early Thursday morning, Ben Wenrich – 570-966-6209

We will also need help at the workdays that are scheduled prior to and after the fair...to mix and roll the pot pie, to clean the fair building, to cook meat, to make

pickled cabbage, BBQ. Ham BBQ, Macaroni Salad, filling mix, and to move items from the kitchen to the fair building.

Also we need people to bake pies and donate supplies. And of course, we need people to eat lunch and supper each day.

By the time fair week is over there are lots of sore feet, frayed nerves, tired bodies and befuddled minds. There is a lot of hard work connected to operating our food stand, but there is always a lot of fun too, so please help us out where and when you can.

Helper and donation sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary. **You may also sign up online.** There is a link on the Church Web Site. **PLEASE NOTE:** The spaces (both donations and helpers) are what we ACTUALLY NEED. Any items not donated will need to be purchased; and any worker slots not filled will make it harder for those who are there.

**Please don't wait to be asked to help...we're asking now...just sign up to help where and when you can.**

If you are not signed up to help and have some free time, just show up anytime and there will be something for you to do.

If you have any questions, talk to Kim Blyler.

## **SCHEDULE**

### **Thursday, July 26 – 5:00 p.m. – Potpie Workday**

Help will be needed at the church to cut and stack potpie as it is mixed and rolled.

### **Monday, July 30 – 6:00 p.m. – Clean Fair Building**

Come out to the fair building and help get it ready for fair week.

### **Thursday, August 2 – 8:00 a.m. – Work and Moving Day**

Help will be needed at the church to make pickled cabbage, BBQ, Ham BBQ and filling mix and other preparations. When everything is done, we will move equipment, utensils and supplies from the kitchen to the Fair Stand.

## **August 6 - 11 – FAIR WEEK**

Kitchen Help, Serving Line Help (making up the platters and sandwiches), Dining Room Help, Clean-Up Help, Dishwashers & Pie Bakers will be needed.

### **Thursday, August 9 – 7:00 a.m.**

Need 3 people at church at 7:00 am to cook potpie

### **Monday, August 13 – 6:00 p.m. – Clean Fair Building**

Come out to the fair building and help close it down for another year.

We cannot stress enough how much we need lots and lots of help on these dates.

Please don't wait to be asked to help with any of these activities...if you are available to help, just show up at the designated time and place...Your help will be very much appreciated.

## **PIES**

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary for anyone willing to bake pies for our fair stand. Our goal is to have a minimum of 10-14 pies daily (more would be welcomed).

On the day you are to provide pies, you may deliver them to the fair stand before meal serving begins or to the church by 10:00 a.m. Each pie should be labeled with your name and the type of pie it is.

## **SUPPLIES**

Sign-up forms are also on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary where you can sign up to donate the following needed items:

|                      |                |              |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Apple Cider Vinegar  | Applesauce     | Butter       |
| Corn Starch          | Elbow Macaroni | Garbage Bags |
| Great Northern Beans | Ketchup        | Lettuce      |
| Mayonnaise           | Miracle Whip   | Mustard      |
| Napkins              | Onions         | Paper Towels |
| Potatoes             | Sauerkraut     | Tomatoes     |

## Lots of Pies

### PLEASE NOTE!!

- If you wish to donate and have no time to shop or don't know exactly what to donate, please consider a **CASH DONATION**. It will be used to offset the cost of food and supplies for the Fair Stand.
- Pies may be dropped off at the fair stand or at the church (by 10am).
- When you sign up to donate pies or supplies, please sign one line for each article you are giving.
  - (example – 1 pie / 1 signature, 3 cans of applesauce / 3 signatures)

**If you wish to work at the stand, please don't wait to be asked, just sign up (or show up any day). Thank You!**



## 2018 MENU

### Regular Menu

Hot Roast Turkey Sandwich Platter.....\$7.00  
*Served with Mashed Potatoes and 2 sides*

Hot Roast Turkey Sandwich w/ Mashed Potatoes  
.....\$6.00

Hot Roast Turkey Sandwich.....\$5.00

Hot Beef Sundae.....\$4.50  
*Mashed Potatoes, Beef and Gravy, Cheddar Cheese & a Cherry Tomato*

Sandwiches w/ Potato Chips.....\$2.50

Sandwich Platter w/ Baked Beans and Macaroni Salad.....\$4.50

- Hamburg BBQ (Sloppy Joe) Sandwich
- Ham BBQ Sandwich
- Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato Sandwich
- Cold Turkey Sandwich
- Cold Smoked Ham Sandwich (Wednesday – Saturday)
- Egg Salad Sandwich

Chicken Corn Soup.....\$2.50

Soup and Sandwich.....\$4.50

Kid's Meal (Hot Dog, Potato Chips & Applesauce).....\$2.50

### Desserts

Homemade Pie.....\$2.00

### Beverages

Coffee (free refills).....\$1.00

Bottled Water.....\$1.00

Fresh Brewed Iced Tea (free refills) .....\$1.50

Pink Lemonade.....\$1.50

Soda.....\$1.50

### Sides

Applesauce.....\$1.50

Homemade Baked Beans.....\$1.50

Cucumbers & Onions.....\$1.50

Homemade Macaroni Salad.....\$1.50

Pickled Cabbage.....\$1.50

Vegetable of the Day.....\$1.50

**ALL ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR TAKE-OUT**

# Daily Specials

## Monday

*Free Coffee, Iced Tea or Bottled Water with any food purchase for Veterans*

## Tuesday

**Roast Beef Dinner** ..... \$9.00

**Roast Turkey Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

**Hot Roast Beef Sandwich Platter** ..... \$7.00

*Served with mashed potatoes and choice of 2 sides*

## Wednesday

*Free Coffee, Iced Tea or Bottled Water with any food purchase for Seniors*

**Smoked Ham Dinner** ..... \$9.00

**Roast Turkey Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

## Thursday

**Pot Pie Dinner (Adult)** ..... \$9.00

*Served with choice of 2 sides*

**Roast Turkey Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

## Friday

**Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes and choice of 2 sides*

**Roast Pork Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

**Roast Turkey Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

**Hot Roast Pork Sandwich Platter** ..... \$7.00

*Served with mashed potatoes and choice of 2 sides*

## Saturday

**Roast Turkey Dinner** ..... \$9.00

*Served with mashed potatoes, stuffing and choice of 2 sides*

**All Daily Dinners available as a Child's Dinner** ..... \$6.00

**ALL PRICES INCLUDE PA SALES TAX**

## ***PARISHIONERS HELPING PARISHIONERS***



The Buffalo Valley Lutheran Parish's "Parishioners Helping Parishioners" committee is seeking members of Christ's United and First Lutheran to help out with the following:

- Small repair projects
- Pick up prescriptions, offer transportation, or cooking meals
- Offer to visit our shut-ins

The group welcomes helpful folks, ideas or suggestions. Interested, contact Doug & Pearl Gemberling, Joe Dressler, Linda Smith or Dianne Shuck.

## ***COUNCIL COMMUNIQUE***



### **May 15**

After much debate, the council voted by a 4 to 3 vote with one abstention to not have the Christkindl Market booth this year and have Outreach Ministry determine another type of outreach benefit event instead.

### **June 19**

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- Cyndi Clayton, Nutrition Education Advisor, Penn State Extension, Sunbury, was invited to attend tonight's Council meeting to request permission to hold a nutrition education program at our church for limited resource families. She noticed that our church has a food bank (Hope's Haven) and thought that it would be a logical place to hold a set of workshops. After some discussion, Cyndi was invited to come to Hope's Haven and work with our members in planning events for the near future. (Information about the program is on the bulletin board outside of the office.)



## TREASURER'S REPORT

As of MAY 31, 2018

|                            | <u>Actual</u>        | <u>Budgeted</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Income for month (4 weeks) | \$ 7,129.31          | \$ 10,376.92    |
| Expenses for month         | <u>9,804.69</u>      | 10,376.92       |
| Difference                 | <b>(\$ 2,675.38)</b> |                 |

|                       | <u>Actual</u>    | <u>Budgeted</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Income Year-to-Date   | \$ 59,140.46     | \$ 54,478.83    |
| Expenses Year-to-Date | <u>57,865.61</u> | 54,478.83       |
| Difference            | \$ 1,274.85      |                 |

### May Notes:

This report reflects only income and expenses of Christ's United Lutheran Church. Income and Expense of the Buffalo Valley Parish are not shown in this report, as they are not transactions of our church. The Parish transactions relate to Pastors Salary and other benefits of the Pastor. Our expense of \$4,200 per month to the Parish is reflected in our expenses as this is our share of the Pastors Salary and benefits.

May income was \$3,247.61 less than planned. Expenses were \$572.23 lower for a net income of **negative \$2,675.38**. There were no fund raisers in May. Actually, Fund Raiser income was a negative \$320.00 as we paid rental for the fair stand in advance of any income.

**We are now in the summer months with no major Fund Raiser income until the West End Fair. Your church will depend on your contributions each Sunday to meet the ongoing expenses of the church.**

| Sources of Income: | <u>May 2018</u> |      | <u>Year-to-Date</u> |      |
|--------------------|-----------------|------|---------------------|------|
| Offerings          | \$7,418.00      | 104% | \$ 42,780.80        | 73%  |
| Fund Raisers       | -320.00         | -4%  | 14,570.48           | 25%  |
| Other Income       | <u>31.31</u>    | 0%   | <u>1,502.92</u>     | 5%   |
| Totals             | \$ 7,129.31     | 100% | \$ 58,854.20        | 100% |

The Church Council recommended and the Congregation approved replacing the 50+ year old main doors to the church. To accomplish this we need to raise \$8,000 by the end of August. If you wish to contribute to this fund, on your offering envelope write "Capital Improvements" or "Door Fund" on the Special Designated Gift line and the amount.

As of June 30<sup>th</sup> we have \$1,612.00 of the \$8,000.00 needed.

~~Cliff Valentine, Financial Recording Secretary

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### **Children's Misinterpretations**

- *From San Francisco: When I was a child, I learned this prayer as "Our Father, who are in Heaven, Howard be thy name." I always thought that was God's real name.*
- *Groton, Mass: My mother spent her early childhood saying, "Hail Mary, full of grapes."*
- *Missoula, Mont: My son, who is in nursery school, said, "Our Father, who art in Heaven, how didja know my name?"*
- *Uniontown, Ohio: I remember thinking this prayer was "Give us this day our jelly bread."*
- *Covina, Calif: I recall reading something years ago about the Pledge of Allegiance. Some child thought it began, "I led the pigeons to the flag."*
- *Cleveland, Ohio: When I was little, I often wondered who Richard Stands was. You know: "I pledge allegiance to the flag and to the republic for Richard Stands."*
- *Schenectady, N.Y: I once knew a child whose favorite Sunday school song was "Gladly, the Cross-Eyed Bear."*
- *Tampa, Fla: When my husband was 6 years old, he thought a certain prayer was "He suffered under a bunch of violets..."The real words were "under Pontius Pilate," but at that age, he didn't know better. To this day, we still snicker in church whenever that prayer is read.*
- *Lake Forest Park, Wash: When I was a little girl, we sang a song in Sunday school about Noah. Part of the chorus was "And the rains came down, and the floods came up." We lived next door to a couple of charming little girls who always sang this song while playing in their garden. Their words were, "And the rains came down, and the spuds came up."*
- *Grand Junction, Colo: When I was younger, I believed the line was "Lead a snot into temptation." I thought I was praying for my little sister to get into trouble.*
- *From New Jersey: When my twin daughters were young, I taught them to say this prayer before going to bed. As I listened outside their door, I could hear them say, "Give us this steak and daily bread, and forgive us our mattresses." My husband and I always had a good laugh over this. That was over 50 years ago, and the memory still remains in my heart.*
- *Oak Harbor, Wash: When my older brother was very young, he always walked up to the church altar with my mother when she took communion. On one occasion, he tugged at her arm and asked, "What does the priest say when he gives you the bread?" Mom whispered something in his ear. Imagine his shock many years later when he learned that the priest doesn't say, "Be quiet until you get to your seat."*



## ***FOR YOUR INFORMATION***

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Dates still available to sponsor altar flowers are: **July 29; September 2, 30; November 4.**

The cost of the flowers is \$35.00 per week and is payable to the church.

### **FREE ENERGY CREDIT**

There is a free energy credit available to the church. If you want help to lower the church's electric bill, and save money on your own electric bill contact Greg Shuck for details.

### **COFFEE CANS NEEDED**

We are in need of coffee cans to be used to send altar flowers home following a worship service. If you have any to spare, please drop them off at the kitchen or in the office.

### **VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT**

We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:

#### **1. Baby News Correspondent**

When a new baby is born to a member of the congregation, the responsibility of the baby news correspondent is to contact the family and get "vital statistics" and then write a short article for the newsletter. Talk to Margie if you would like to tackle this position.

#### **2. Greeters, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Ushers and Sound System Operators.**

Our list of people willing to do these jobs keeps dwindling. Will you help? Sign up on the attached “volunteer form” and drop them on Margie’s desk or put them in the offering plate.

3. **Someone** to sharpen pencils and replenish communion cards and comment cards in the sanctuary.

### **COMMUNIONS**

Communion for all confirmed members must be recorded in the parish register annually. If you do not commune on a regular basis, we ask that you fill out a communion record card (one per year is all we need) so we know you have communed. The cards are located in the racks on the back of the pews. Cards may be put in the offering plate or handed to an usher.

### **MEMORABILIA**

The following memorabilia items are still available for anyone interested in purchasing anything:

Wooden Miniatures of the Church - \$10.00

Church Prints - \$20.00

Blankets - \$10.00

Christmas Cards - \$10.00

12 cards per box feature a winter picture of the church

Talk to Bev Catherman if you have questions about, or would like to purchase, any of these items.

### **INFORMANTS WANTED**

We like to publish news about our members in the newsletter, but we need your help to do so. If you know of interesting information about any of our members (youth or adult), i.e. an award or recognition, a funny tale or exciting adventure, please let Margie know about it so we can include it in an issue of Christ’s United’s News & Views.

### **HAVE A FAVORITE HYMN?**

Over the past few years, some of you have been requesting favorite hymns and gospel songs and for that we give many thanks. Because of U.S. copyright laws, we do not have permission to reproduce or copy all of our favorites. You may

choose selections from the following hymnals: Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW), Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) and With One Voice (WOV). We are also permitted to use hymns that are in the “Public Domain”. It’s all very complicated. So, keep your suggestions coming and we will be happy to sort out and use all of your suggestions. Give any requests to Gary Hackenberg, Margie or Pastor John.

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**Hymn Request**

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**SOCIAL/FELLOWSHIP REQUEST**

If you have any ideas or suggestions for social/fellowship activities, drop a note on Margie’s desk.

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**Social/Fellowship Events:**

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**BUILDING & GROUND NEEDS**

Do you know of any physical problems (or potential problems) that should be addressed by our property committee? Your insight is important. Maybe you have seen something that no one else has noticed yet. You can talk to Pastor John, any council member or Margie if you know of something that needs attention, or fill out the following and put it on Margie’s desk or in the offering plate.

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**Building & Ground Needs:**

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## **DO WE HAVE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS?**

If you have an e-mail address that you have never given to us or if it has changed, please fill out the following and drop it off on Margie's desk or give her a call.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **PRAYER CHAIN**

The Prayer Chain is a group of men and women of Christ's United who pray for the concerns and requests of Christ's United's members and friends. Someone in need of prayer calls the church office and requests to be put on the Prayer Chain. Each member of the Prayer Chain then receives either a phone call or an email notifying them of a prayer request. The prayer chain member receiving the phone call then calls one other person and so on down the list. Those notified by email do not have to pass it on.

Would you be willing to pray for someone in need? It is reassuring to know that you are supported by the prayers of others and not alone with your concern. If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain, fill out the following and put it in the offering plate or on Margie's desk.

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### **Prayer Chain Calling List**

I would like to be included on the prayer chain calling list.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **ONGOING COLLECTIONS**

### **The Shriners**

Can Tabs (give tabs to Maurice Clouser)



## ***NEWS OF MEMBERS & FRIENDS***

### **Births**

**Monroe Anna Kuhl Moore Roupp** was born to **Andre & Ellie (Kreisher) Roupp** on May 17, 2018. She weighed in at 8 lb. and 20 "long. Her Grandparents are G. Steven and Carol Kreisher and Cynthia Roupp. Great Grandparents are Maurice and Barbara Clouser and the late George and Anna Kreisher. We pray that God blesses you and your family with many years of good health, love, and happiness

### **Birthdays**

#### **July**

- |                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 – Carolyn Bowersox   | 18 – James Gemberling    |
| 6 – Brandi Gemberling  | 20 – Steven Forcheskie   |
| Joan Lyons             | Zachary Harvey           |
| Rylan Shuck            | 21 – Rian Rantz          |
| 8 – Maxine Hendricks   | 25 – Nicholas Flickinger |
| 10 – Kim Woods         | Richard Schnure          |
| 14 – Kayla Forcheskie  | 27 – Donald Bowersox     |
| 16 – Dayna Bickhart    | Ashley Wenrich           |
| 17 – Patricia Spangler | 30 – Gregory Shuck       |

#### **August**

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 – Terry Diehl          | Brandi Zimmerman       |
| 2 – Ryan Sampsell        | 14 – Thomas Catherman  |
| 3 – Dylan Doebler        | Nelson Kahler          |
| Larry Sampsell           | Diana Reamer           |
| 5 – Sianah Gemberling    | Ethel Schnure          |
| 7 – Kim Blyler           | 15 – June Wenrich      |
| 10 – Charlotte Pirraglia | 17 – Donald L. Zerbe   |
| Wesley Pirraglia         | 20 – Stacey Gemberling |
| 12 – Payton Spigelmyer   | 22 – Susan Blyler      |

25 – Eric Dunkle  
Janet Hackenberg  
26 – Amber Hackenberg

28 – Kaelex Shuck  
29 – Barbara Grimooris  
31 – Kaine Klose

## Anniversaries

### July

7 – Jeff & Denise Hosterman (2001)  
10 – Glenn & Patricia Spangler (1982)  
22 – Dennis & Tammy Boop (1989)  
Donald & Carolyn Bowersox (1972)

### August

7 – Ron & Darlene Ulrich (1965)  
11 – Steve & Becky Forcheskie (1990)  
12 – Ken & Bev Catherman (1962)  
17 – Sam & Sharyn Zimmerman (1980)  
20 – Larry & Gayle Zerbe (1967)  
22 – Trevor & Sheila Jean Levits (2009)  
29 – Drew & Paula Christy (1970)  
31 – Andrew & Jennifer Keister (2013)

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**Remember In Thought and Prayer**

*Please help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know of any names that should be added or removed*

**Our Members**

Gailyn & Jacki Baker  
Jim & Florence Boop  
Jean Buoy  
Bev Catherman  
Shirley Diehl  
Doug & Pearl Gemberling  
Vickie Kahler

Shirley Kerstetter  
Pat Korman  
Sheila Jean Levits & Family  
Judy Mecouch  
Dottie Rathfon  
Teresa Shuck  
Meda Struble

**Our Friends & Relatives**

John Bowersox  
Candice Buch  
Terry Davies  
Bev Dodge  
Chris Dunkle  
Christine Fryfe  
Adam Garman  
Gary & Barb Gemberling  
Trisha Gemberling  
Clay Gessner  
Ray Gessner  
Helen Gething  
Carol Gross  
Linda Katherman

Norman Kline  
Paul Kratzer, Jr.  
Gerald Lloyd  
Sharon Magyar  
Bob Reedy  
Jamie Sacco  
Kristin Showalter  
Terry Smith  
John Snook  
Mark Troup  
Karen Wagner  
Verna Erdley Weller  
David Woods

**Our Shut-Ins**

Jim & Florence Boop  
Carolyn Bowersox  
Jean Buoy  
Barbara Grimooris  
Shirley Kerstetter  
Pat Korman

Betty Lauf  
Eugene Phillips  
Richard Schnure  
Marie VonNeida  
Connie Wagner  
Caroline Wenrick

## **The Men and Women Serving In the Military**

Brandi Gemberling

*In an effort to keep our prayer list current, we are going to clear the current list on a quarterly basis. **A new list will begin in January, April, July, and October. If you want to continue an existing prayer request or have a new prayer concern, please contact Margie.***

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### **LITTLE RULES OF LIFE**

*Ask for a raise when you think you've earned it.  
Avoid negative people.  
Be forgiving of yourself and others.  
Be the first to say hello.  
Be there when people need you.  
Become the most positive and enthusiastic person you know.  
Buy whatever kids are selling on card tables in their front yards.  
Call your mother.  
Carry jumper cables in your truck.  
Commit yourself to constant improvement.  
Compliment even small improvements.  
Compliment 3 people every day.  
Count your blessings.  
Don't be afraid to say, "I don't know" and "I've made a mistake".  
Don't expect life to be fair.  
Feed a stranger's expired parking meter.  
Floss your teeth.  
Have a dog. (Or cat)  
Have a firm handshake.  
Keep a few secrets.  
Keep it simple.  
Keep your promises no matter what.  
Learn 3 clean jokes.  
Leave everything a little better than you found it.  
Live your life as an exclamation, not an explanation.  
Look people in the eye.  
Make new friends, but cherish the old ones.  
Marry for love.  
Never refuse homemade brownies.  
Never underestimate the power of love.  
Never waste an opportunity to tell someone you love them.  
Overtip breakfast waitresses.  
Plant a tree on your birthday.  
Plant flowers every spring.  
Rekindle old friendships.  
Remember other people's birthdays.  
Return all things you borrow.  
Return borrowed vehicles with the gas tank full.  
Say, "Please" and "Thank You" a lot.*



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### Community Meal

The Community Meal Committee is looking for a few good folks to help serve meals on the first Saturday of each month. We begin preparing the meal at 9:00 and are usually done by 1:00. You can come for an hour or 2, or stay the whole time. We serve between 30 and 60 people each month. This is a great way to help reach out to our community. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Libby Loss @ 966-1606 or Sue Jows @ 966-3644 if you can help.



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### Looking Ahead to July

We are gearing up for the summer camping season for 2018 and are still accepting registrations for all programs. **Late fees will begin to be accessed on June 2, 2018.** Some highlights of programs in July and August include:

- Family Camp, a great vacation for the family
- Susquehanna Canoe, a new trip with a daylong trek down the mighty river

- Tracks, our new program where you pick extra activity time around H2O, Mountain Adventure,
- Music/Art/Drama, or a sampler of all four.
- Senior High X-Teen, a traditional program for that age group.
- Night Owl, where campers stay up later each night and do nighttime activities.
- Pioneers celebrating a different holiday daily.
- Craft, Lego, and Wild Sports (CLAWS) camp, doing more of those three activities.
- Pick Your Days Day Camp when you pick how many days you want to come from 9:00 to 3:00.
- SURE for campers who want to Survive Using the Resources of the Environment
- Mini-Base Camps, a half week camp for our youngest campers.
- Intern for our senior high campers who want to learn what it's like to be on staff.
- Tour de Crème, a bike trip taking rides to local ice cream establishments.

For more information, visit the camp website at [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org) or call 570-922-1587. Stay connected to camp this summer and find out what is happening during our various programs, visit Facebook ([www.facebook.com/mountluther](http://www.facebook.com/mountluther)), Twitter (@mtluther) and our blog ([www.campmountluther.wordpress.com](http://www.campmountluther.wordpress.com)). We try to update these daily but please realize that our staff is quite busy and if updates are not posted, it's because the campers and staff are so busy that they can't get an update posted. And, don't forget, our daily First Light devotions will continue to be posted each weekday. Check them at [www.cmlfaithformation.weebly.com](http://www.cmlfaithformation.weebly.com).

### **Camp Mount Luther's 55th Birthday Celebration** **July 3, 2018**

The camp staff invites everyone to come to camp on Tuesday evening, July 3, 2018, to celebrate the camp's 55th birthday. As part of our annual Family Camp, we'll be having a campfire and worship service to commemorate the birthday. K.J. Reimensnyder-Wagner will be here to provide some special music as well. It all gets underway at 6:30 p.m. The program will be held outdoors, weather permitting, so bring a lawn chair. To help us plan, it would be helpful to have an RSVP to [chad@campmountluther.org](mailto:chad@campmountluther.org) or call 570-922-1587.

### **USSWO Convention** **July 21, 2018**

The Upper Susquehanna Synodical Women's Organization Annual Convention will be held on Saturday, July 21, 2018, at the Evergreen Center at Camp Mount Luther, 355 Mt. Luther Lane, Mifflinburg. Women are asked to be present for this one-day

convention as it brings an excellent opportunity for you to meet your sisters from neighboring churches and become informed about the workings of the Women of the ELCA. The theme for this year's convention is "Called to Serve," based on 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6 and 1 Peter 4:10. The Bible Study leader is Jodi Ellis and Pastor Ann Zimmerman is the worship leader. Registration forms are available at <http://www.uss-elca.org/upper-susquehanna-synodical-womensorganization>

## **2018 Wish List**

Running church camps is expensive and we are always right on the edge of balancing income and expenses. Too often we are scratching to bring income up to expenses. One way that we can do that is by folks giving us stuff that we will not need to buy. Here's a list of the stuff that we could use now. If you have any questions, just contact Chad at [chad@campmountluther.org](mailto:chad@campmountluther.org). And if you have something you want to give away and it isn't on the list, contact us, too. Maybe you might know someone (a contractor?) who might have some of this stuff? Or, maybe you don't have any of these items but feel generous and want to buy them for camp. Let us know!

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New propane stove for Pine Lodge            | <input type="checkbox"/> Beads (black fuse, see, pony, wooden) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 46 inch (or bigger) TV for Evergreen Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Bubbles                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stain for the Evergreen Center exterior     | <input type="checkbox"/> Brown paper bags                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Porch boards for Maple cabins               | <input type="checkbox"/> Popsicle sticks                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fascia for Pine cabins and pavilion         | <input type="checkbox"/> Lego bricks                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paint for Pine cabins                       | <input type="checkbox"/> White and color copy paper            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soffit for back side of A-center            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk Chalk                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete for sidewalks around the A-center  | <input type="checkbox"/> Brooms and dustpans                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playground balls and Volleyballs            | <input type="checkbox"/> Embroidery floss                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scotch tape                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry erase markers                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paracord bracelet string and clips          | <input type="checkbox"/> White flip charts                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keychains                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Aim n Flames                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Glue gun glue                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Markers                               |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Crayons                               |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction paper                    |

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*J. H. Patterson used to tell of a minister who sat in a restaurant beside another minister, who sprinkled something on his food from a little bottle he carried in his pocket. The other asked what it was. He replied that it was Tabasco sauce, and offered him some to try. His rather liberal trial left him choking and crying. Finally he said, "I've heard of preachers preaching hell fire, but you're the first one I have ever found who carried a sample of it in his pocket."*



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**Roman Catholic Camp Seeks Help**

**August 12-17, 2018**

CAMP VOL\_NTEERS...all that is missing is U! The Diocesan Summer Camp for Adults with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities is seeking volunteers willing to assist at its residential camp, August 12-17, 2018. The camp takes place at Camp Kirchenwald in Lebanon County and serves the needs of approximately 40 adults of all faiths. The camp has been held annually for the past 32 years, and is primarily dependent on volunteer support. Last year, volunteers from 21 parishes participated alongside volunteers from other faith communities to make this event a success. Anyone 16+ is welcome to volunteer for full-time or part-time duties; there is a particular need for male volunteers, 18 or older, who are able to spend the night, and for volunteers skilled at running an arts & crafts program. All volunteers are required to complete the Diocesan Clearance process and attend a brief training session prior to helping at camp. A deadline of June 30, 2018 for expressing volunteer interest is requested in order to facilitate planning efforts.

Sponsor a Camper - Would you like to sponsor a campership for a person with a disability who might not otherwise be able to afford camp? The Diocese of Harrisburg is seeking donations to defray the cost for campers to ensure that each individual who would like to attend camp is able to do so, regardless of finances. A full week of camp costs \$575, but donations in any amount will be welcomed. They can be sent to the Office of Ministry with People with Disabilities, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Harrisburg. For more information on volunteering or sponsoring a camper, please contact Larry Kiley at 717-657-4804, Ext. 322, or email [lkiley@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:lkiley@hbgdiocese.org).

<https://www.hbgdiocese.org/disabilities-ministries/annual-summer-camp>

## **Dandelion Trail Run at CML** **September 1, 2018**

Camp Mount Luther in Mifflinburg will be holding a 5 and 10 kilometer trail run race at the camp on Saturday, September 1, 2018. This is an entry-level trail race on Mount Luther grounds with proceeds going to the camp. The start time for the race is 9:00 a.m. Runners decide on race day if they want to do a 5k or 10K (a double loop of the 5K) run. The 10k distance is included in the new Rocksylvania 10k race series. More details on that are available at <http://midpenntailblazers.com/links.html>. Race day registration is \$25. Pre-register by August 8 and pay only \$20. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. on race day. Spectators are welcome as well. A kid's fun run will also be held with two age categories: six and under and 7-10. Special awards will be presented to every participant in the fun run. Again this year, a one mile fun walk on a dirt road will be held with the same registration fees and amenities applying (or you may just walk without receiving amenities for \$10). Awards will be given for overall male and female race time, three awards for each age group and an overall master's for male and female in both the 5K and the 10K. The awards ceremony will be immediately following the race. Shower facilities are available after the race. All miles for the course will be marked and there is one water stop on the course. Timing will be electronically done. To register, visit <http://midpenntailblazers.com/trail-race-events/dandelionrun/dandelion-run.html>. The Dandelion Run, begun in 2002, is organized by Joel and Shelley Heasley of Middleburg. It was named in honor and memory of Rev. Glenn E. Heasley, Jr., former Assistant to the Bishop of the Upper Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Glenn's favorite "flower" was the dandelion. Heasley's widow, Shirley, is also involved in the planning of the race.

## **Volunteer Gardeners Sought**

Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village, Lewisburg, is looking for volunteer gardeners to help care for the flower gardens around the sign at the entrance to the cottages off of Reitz Blvd. in Lewisburg. The need is for two days in each of the following months – July, August and September. If you are interested, please contact Charlene Fisher at 570-523-4244.

## **Grants Available**

The Campbell Foundation is excited to announce the opening of their first Chesapeake Office unsolicited grants cycle. This opportunity is open to new

grantees (organizations that are not current or previous grantees of the Campbell Foundation) that would like to submit a proposal for projects that improve water quality and promote healthy communities in the Pennsylvania portion of the Susquehanna River Basin. Project award requests can be up to \$25,000. Proposals are due no later than Monday, October 1, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EST. Guidelines, FAQ, and instructions on how to apply are available at <http://www.campbellfoundation.org/apply/>.



## ***IN THE MAILBAG***

### **2018 Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends Announced**

Your marriage relationship is one of the things in life that provides the greatest potential for happiness. Is yours living up to this potential? Please make 2018 the year you resolve to attend a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend to learn how to maximize the joy and intimacy that God intends for your marriage. The following weekends have been scheduled with one more to be added in Massachusetts in the fall.

- September 14-16, 2018, at Spruce Lake Retreat in Canadensis, PA. A lovely hotel-style facility in a wooded area of the Poconos, an hour north of Allentown.
- October 19-21, 2018, at Olmsted Retreat Center. A stunning, hotel-style retreat next to Olmsted Mansion in Allegheny National Forest, 2 hours north of Pittsburgh.

Two nights lodging, five meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your \$100 per couple registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program. To be sure to get the Weekend of your choice, sign up at your earliest convenience by going to the website: [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org) and paying the registration fee with your credit card, or marking the option to mail a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Northeast US

Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or [fjschamber@comcast.net](mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net).



## ***NOTES OF APPRECIATION***

*“Volunteers are gold”. Volunteers are the most valuable commodities in ministry. Without them, nothing would get done in our churches. We are fortunate to have the kind of dedicated people that we do. Do you know anyone who should be given a pat on the back and a “Thank You” for the contributions they make in and around the church? Let Margie know.*

### **THANK YOU TO...**

- ... **Bev Catherman, Janet Hileman and all others** who help with Hope’s Haven.
- ... **The Members** who help with the food stand at public sales
- ... **Dianne Shuck and Barry Spangler** who represented Christ’s United at the 2018 Synod Assembly
- ... **All of Our Volunteers** for their hard work, many of whom do not get the recognition they should. May God Bless Each and Every One of You!

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*A state trooper sees a vehicle on the interstate doing 33 miles an hour and pulls the car to make sure everything is all right. When he approaches the driver he discovers that it is a Nun. "Excuse me, sister. But are you alright?" He asked. She replies, "Oh, yes officer. We're just fine. Was I doing something wrong?" The officer says, "Well sister, you were traveling way under the speed limit and I was concerned that you might be having car trouble or something." "But officer", the nun interrupts, "I saw a sign there about a mile back that said 33, and I know I wasn't going any faster than that." Chuckling, the trooper says, "Sister, that was a state highway route marker, this is State Route 33, not the speed limit. The speed limit signs have a MPH at the bottom." "Oh, now don't I feel foolish!" replied the nun turning red. "That's ok, but please try to be more careful, I would hate to see you get hurt", finished the officer. Then as he turns to say good-bye to the nuns in the back seat, he notices for the first time that they are trembling violently and quite pale. "Sister, what is wrong with your friends? Can I escort you to a hospital?" "Oh, no, they're all right. We just turned off of Route 150."*



**ALTAR GUILD**

29 – Maurice Clouser

Barbara Clouser  
Maurice Clouser

**GREETERS**

1 - Cliff & Diane  
Valentine  
8 - Evelyn Rice  
15 - Doug & Pearl  
Gemberling  
22 - Ron & Darlene  
Ulrich  
29 - Maurice &  
Barbara Clouser

**LAY READERS**

1 – Kathy Spangler  
8 – Bonnie Greeney  
15 – Glenn Spangler  
22 – Janet  
Hackenberg

**SOUND SYSTEM**

Lee Spangler

**USHERS**

Dave Bickhart  
Drew Christy

**MUSIC PROVIDERS**

1 - Barry Spangler  
8 - Diane Valentine  
15 - Dave Swartz  
23 - Gary Hackenberg  
29 - Gary Hackenberg

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

1 – Lee Spangler  
8 – Janice Wagner  
15 – Glenn Spangler  
22 – Janet  
Hackenberg  
29 – Maurice Clouser

***REMINDER***

***YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING A SUBSTITUTE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE WHEN SCHEDULED.***

***ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS, SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS & USHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHEDULED DURING THE MONTH.***



**ALTAR GUILD**

June Wenrich

**GREETERS**

- 5 – Evelyn Rice
- 12 – Jim & Karen  
Zimmerman
- 19 – Dave & Dayna  
Bickhart
- 26 – Greg & Teresa  
Shuck

**LAY READERS**

- 5 – Drew Christy
- 12 – Greg Shuck
- 19 – Barry Spangler
- 26 – Mike Flickinger

**USHERS**

Greg Shuck  
Barry Spangler

**MUSIC PROVIDERS**

- 5 – Barry Spangler
- 12 - Diane Valentine
- 19 - Dave Swartz
- 26 – Gary Hackenberg

**SOUND SYSTEM**

*Dave Swartz*

**COMMUNION  
ASSISTANTS**

- 5 – Dianne Shuck
- 12 – Greg Shuck
- 19 – Barry Spangler
- 26 – Judy Mecouch

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If you would like to be added to our list of volunteers to help with one or more of the following positions, please fill it out and return it to the church office.



**USHER**

I/we will serve as an usher

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

I/we will help with children's church

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**SOUND SYSTEM OPERATOR**

I/we will operate the sound system

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**ALTAR GUILD**

I/we will serve on the altar guild

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**COMMUNION HELPER**

I/we will serve as a communion helper

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**GREETERS**

I/we will serve as greeters

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



**LAY READER**

I/we will serve as a lay reader

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_



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**Fri – Closed**



### **STAFF**

The Rev. John D. Yost  
The Members of the Congregation  
Gary Hackenberg  
Diane Valentine & Karen Zimmerman  
David Swartz & Barry Spangler  
Paula Christy  
Tom Catherman  
Margie Dunkle  
Dianne Shuck  
Janet Hackenberg  
Cliff Valentine  
Drew Christy, Dianne Shuck, Greg Shuck

Pastor  
the Ministers  
Organist  
Pianists  
Digital Music Arrangers  
Chancel Choir Director  
Custodian  
Secretary/Asst. Tr.  
Treasurer  
Assistant Treasurer  
Financial Recording Secretary  
Parish Council Representatives

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

#### **Officers**

Greg Shuck, President  
Drew Christy, Vice President  
Linda Smith, Council Secretary  
Barry Spangler, Recording Secretary

#### **Ministry Assignments**

**Facilities & Administration** (deals with property, personnel and stewardship)

Maurice Clouser, Joe Dressler, Eugene Hassinger

**Inreach** (focus on ministry within the congregation)

Drew Christy, Dianne Shuck, Greg Shuck

**Outreach** (related to ministry beyond the congregation)

Doug Gemberling, Pearl Gemberling, Linda Smith

## **THE M.I.S.S.I.O.N OF CHRIST'S UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**M**eeet – we meet each other as sisters and brothers in Christ

**I**nviite – we invite and welcome others into the body of Christ

**S**hare – we share the good news of Jesus and our gifts with all

**S**upport – we support each other as we walk in the ways of Jesus

**I**magiine – we imagine life filled with God's purpose and grace

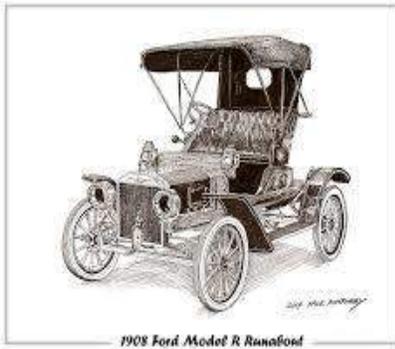
**O**ffer – we offer ourselves to God through faith, hope and love

**N**ourish – we nourish one another in the Word, by the Spirit

Christ's United Lutheran Church is a community of faith, gathered, empowered and entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ to bear witness that we are one body in Christ as together we worship God in all praise and thanksgiving and we serve one another with unconditional love and mercy.

### **PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE...**

- ...when a member of your family is sick or is admitted to the hospital, so that visits can be made and the proper people notified.
- ...when your address and phone number is changed, so the church records can be corrected.
- ...when you move—out of town or locally.
- ...when a new baby arrives in your family or in the family of another church member.
- ...when a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- ...when a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- ...when your class or group plans to have a meeting, so that it can be cleared and placed on the church calendar.
- ...when something good happens to you or your family.
  - ...when you feel the church can assist you in any way



## THE YEAR 1908

The year is 1908. One hundred ten years ago. What a difference from today. Here are some statistics for the Year 1908:

- The average life expectancy was 47 years.
- Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
- There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10mph.
- The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.
- The average wage in 1908 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year, a dentist \$2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at home.
- Ninety percent of all doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION! Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and the government as "substandard."
- Sugar cost four cents a pound; Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen; Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- Most women only washed their hair once a month, and used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.
- Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.
- Five leading causes of death were: (1) pneumonia & influenza, (2) tuberculosis, (3) diarrhea, (4) heart disease, (5) stroke
- The American flag had 45 stars.
- The population of Las Vegas, Nevada, was only 30.
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer and ice tea hadn't been invented yet.
- There was no Mother's Day or Father's Day.
- Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write. Only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at the local corner drugstores. Back then pharmacists said, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach and bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health."
- Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.
- There were 230 reported murders in the entire USA.

Today this information could be sent all over the world in a matter of seconds. Try to imagine what it may be like in another 100 years.

# July 2018

| Sunday   | Monday                                    | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday                                   | Friday    | Saturday                           |
|--|---|---|--|--|-----------|------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:00 Koinonia Kafe<br>10:15 Sunday School | <b>2</b><br>10:30 Bible Study             | <b>3</b><br>10:30 Bible Study @ First Lutheran                      | <b>4</b><br>  | <b>5</b>                                   | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b><br>8:00 Stahl Estate Sale |
| <b>8</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Sunday School                        | <b>9</b><br>10:30 Bible Study             | <b>10</b><br>10:30 Bible Study @ First Lutheran                     | <b>11</b><br>10:00 Hope's Haven  | <b>12</b>                                  | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b>                          |
| <b>15</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Sunday School                       | <b>16</b><br>10:30 Bible Study            | <b>17</b><br>10:30 Bible Study @ First Lutheran<br><br>7:00 Council | <b>18</b><br>10:00 Hope's Haven<br><br>4:00 VonNeida Estate Sale   | <b>19</b>                                  | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b>                          |
| <b>22</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Sunday School                       | <b>23</b><br>10:30 Bible Study            | <b>24</b><br>10:30 Bible Study @ First Lutheran                     | <b>25</b><br>10:00 Hope's Haven  | <b>26</b><br><br>5:00 Roll Potpie for Fair | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b>                          |
| <b>29</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:15 Sunday School                       | <b>30</b><br><br>6:00 Clean Fair Building | <b>31</b>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><i>You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism. ~Erma Bombeck</i></p> |  |           |                                    |

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| Sunday   | Monday                                    | Tuesday                       | Wednesday                           | Thursday                                      | Friday                     | Saturday                            |
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| <i>Education and intelligence aren't the same thing!</i>               |   |                               | <b>1</b><br>10:00 Hope's Haven      | <b>2</b><br>8:00 WEF Work & Moving Day        | <b>3</b>                   | <b>4</b><br>8:00 Spotts Estate Sale |
| <b>5</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>10:00 Koinonia Kafe<br>10:15 Sunday School | <b>6</b><br>West End Fair                 | <b>7</b><br>West End Fair     | <b>8</b><br>West End Fair           | <b>9</b><br>7:00 Cook Potpie<br>West End Fair | <b>10</b><br>West End Fair | <b>11</b><br>West End Fair          |
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*"I know the year is dying,  
 Soon the summer will be dead.  
 I can trace it in the flying  
 Of the black crows overhead;  
 I can hear it in the rustle  
 Of the dead leaves as I pass,  
 And the south wind's plaintive sighing  
 Through the dry and withered grass.  
 Ah, 'tis then I love to wander  
 Wander idly and alone,  
 Listening to the solemn music  
 Of sweet nature's undertone."*

