

Christ Lutheran Church- Announcements for September 3 - 10, 2017

Please remember in your prayers: Ruth Jacobs, Matthew White, Katherine Lind, Brenda Bosch, Bev Jacobs, Billie Moeller, Kathy Halverson, Carol Rosenquist, Dhana Nelson, Earl Messick, Linda Decker, Tina Nitschke, Family and friends of Tammy Stevens, and all those in hospital and nursing homes and those serving in the armed services and all of their families.

Forgive us if we've missed anyone. To add someone to our prayers, please call the church office (293-3705).

PLEASE NOTE: Names will normally be kept on the prayer list four weeks unless otherwise requested.

This Week's Schedule:

Today	Pastor On vacation	
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Fellowship
Mon.	Labor Day Holiday - Office Closed	
Tues.	Pastor's Sabbath	
	Newsletter articles due	
Wed.	12:00 p.m.	12 Step Group (FR)
	6:30 p.m.	Worship service
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thur.	5:10 p.m.	Executive Committee
Fri.		
Sat.		
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Fellowship

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NEWSLETTER: The next newsletter is scheduled to go out on September 14th, so all articles are due in the church office NLT this Tuesday, September 5th. The Assistants at Worship sheets were placed in the applicable CLC mailboxes.



		CLC CONGREGATION FINANCIAL REPORT:		YTD	
			YTD	YTD	Surplus/ Deficit
		Income	Expenses	Income	Expenses
July	\$9,443	\$8,732	\$76,726	\$87,260	-10,534

FELLOWSHIP HALL CEILING UPDATE

The contractor plans to start the fellowship hall project on Monday, September 11. They will call again in the next week to confirm the date exactly (they are running a bit behind in their schedule). Be prepared to be flexible about meeting spaces/times/dates when that work actually occurs. Meetings and other events may need to be moved, rescheduled, or even cancelled depending on the situation (for instance, we don't know how accessible our kitchen will be while they're working in the Fellowship Hall). Thank you in advance for your patience and flexibility while we make this needed improvement.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE UPDATE—

God is **never** on vacation and **neither** are Christ Lutheran's Bills!



As summer continues, hopefully everyone will get out and enjoy the warmer weather and the opportunity to spend time relaxing with family and friends. While gone, we ask that you please continue your contribution to the Church. Our need is **critical!** For the 2017 year, we are currently \$10,534 in the red! The long, snowy, cold winter was not kind to our utility and snowplowing line items. Please mail your check to us, sign up for Simply Giving (forms are in the narthex), or use your online banking program if you are away on any Sundays this summer (or even other times during the year). Thank you for answering our call to serve the Lord with our time, our talents, and our offerings. Sandy Wagner, CLC Council Stewardship and Finance Team

FOOD ON THE FIRST

Today is our "Food on the First" Sunday, focusing on collecting any food that you may have for the Food Pantry. If you didn't bring food today and want to contribute, you can bring it in any time. Since we started this program, we have donated over 1300 pounds of food, so a big thanks to all who have participated!



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LOOKING AHEAD . . .

September 3 –September 10 events on front page, “This Weeks Schedule”
 Sept 11 - Christ Kitchen Meeting, 10:00 am
 Sept 11, 18, 25 - Noon Bible Study
 Sept 12 - Rebekah/Ruth Circle, 1:30 pm
 Sept 13 - Care Center Communion, 10:00 am
 Sept 13 - Wednesday evening worship, 6:30 pm
 Sept 14 - Newsletter Mailout
 Sept 14 - Council Meeting, 6:00 pm
 Sept 17 - Red Wagon Sunday
 Sept 17 - Congregational Meeting after worship
 Sept 19 - Pastor Cluster, Kalispell
 Sept 22-24 - Montana Synod Women's 2017 Gathering
 Sept 27-28 - Christ's Kitchen, 5:00 pm



The September book, **“The Master Butchers Singing Club”** by Louise Erdrich are available @ \$3.50 each. If you want to purchase a book, there are copies in the pew by the piano. **Synopsis of the September book** : From National Book Award-winning, New York Times-bestselling author Louise Erdrich, a profound and enchanting new novel: a richly imagined world "where butchers sing like angels." Having survived World War I, Fidelis Waldvogel returns to his quiet German village and marries the pregnant widow of his best friend, killed in action. With a suitcase full of sausages and a master butcher's precious knife set, Fidelis sets out for America. In Argus, North Dakota, he builds a business, a home for his family-which includes Eva and four sons-and a singing club consisting of the best voices in town. When the Old World meets the New-in the person of Delphine Watzka-the great adventure of Fidelis's life begins. Delphine meets Eva and is enchanted. She meets Fidelis, and the ground trembles. These momentous encounters will determine the course of Delphine's life, and the trajectory of this brilliant novel.

A New Course on the Reformation

Do you ever wonder why there are so many Christian denominations? And are there really any significant differences between them? Your answers to these questions might begin by looking at the Protestant Reformation in Europe in the sixteenth century. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the beginning of that process.

A twelve unit course titled “Reformation Roots” will be led by Pr Les beginning in September, and will delve into the Reformation beginning with the religious, cultural, and sociological setting of the time and advancing through the reformation movement in Germany, Switzerland, England and into the radical reformation and, finally, the Catholic counter-reformation. The movement was not only about Lutheranism or Protestantism, but had deep social, cultural and religious implications, the results of which we see today.

Each session will begin with a short video presentation followed by a guided discussion. There is no charge for the class and the public is invited. Sessions will run from 10:30 until 11:30 AM each Thursday beginning in September (date TBA, based on when Fellowship Hall is completed) and running for 12 weeks. The course will conclude before Christmas.

Bring a friend, and an open mind, and come join the discussion.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17

The council is calling a special congregational meeting for Sunday, September 17th (after worship). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss our financial situation and possible measures to reduce costs and/or increase income in order to balance the budget for this year, as well as for future years.

SCHOOL KITS Lutheran World Relief is always in need of school kits. So, as you see school supplies on sale this summer, would you please consider picking up a few things from the list below? Please note that we cannot send items with religious symbols/messages, flags, or other patriotic/military symbols. Below are the items that go into the kits. Thanks! **(We do not need any more notebooks.)**

scissors (blunt scissors--safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
 rulers (a 30-centimeter ruler, or with centimeters on one side and inches on the other)
 crayons (boxes of 16 or 24 crayons)
 erasers (2½ inch)
 pencil sharpeners



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