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Week of 11.07.21

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## Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

# FOCUS

**Today is the 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Scripture for today: 1 Kings 17:8-16 + Hebrews 9:24-28 + Mark 12:38-44**

**8:00 - Special Music by Christ Lutheran Celebration Choir**

**\*\* BAPTISM** – Coy Alan Schulz, son of Cody Schulz and Jacey Wolff, is being baptized in the 5:30 service this weekend. Coy was born August 23, 2021.



**\*\* VETERANS DAY PROGRAM NOVEMBER 10** – CLS will host its annual Veteran's Day program at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10 in the church sanctuary. This program is always an annual highlight to the Norfolk community and the public is welcome to attend! The program will include K-8 vocal music, the Junior High Tiger band, and essays being read by several CLS students on various topics relating to veterans. Don't miss this excellent tribute to our brave veterans!

## **UNITING TO GROW CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR CLS**

Our **Uniting to Grow** Capital Campaign is going very well. Our campaign total is more than \$3.4 million. Even at that, a relatively small percentage of our community have made their pledge to the campaign. Our goal is to have every member of our church and school community participate in this important effort. Your pledges, large and small, will enable us to reach our goal.

Are my gifts to the Lord – of my resources, of my time, of myself – sacrificial? We are on this journey together as one community in support of Christ Lutheran School. Over the next few weeks, we ask that you continue to be receptive to our parish representatives to discuss the campaign, have your questions answered and make a pledge to the campaign.

Thank you to everyone who has made their pledge thus far.

**LONG DISTANCE RELATIVES** - Do Grandma and Grandpa live in another town but still want to support their grandchildren with educational opportunities? Forward their name and address to the Church Office and we will be glad to share more information with them about the **Uniting to Grow** Capital Campaign and how they can become involved even with miles of separation in between. Aunts, uncles and other family members could be welcome recipients of this information and joyful supporters of this community project to share Christian education for years to come.

**\*\* LIVE NATIVITY PLANNING MEETING** – Sunday, November 7 at 12 noon, Our Savior Lutheran Church. Mark your calendars, volunteer and be part of this community-wide event. The Live Nativity is planned for Saturday, December 11, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Field Parking Lot, 715 South 1<sup>st</sup> Street.



The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church

**Share God's Word – Share His Love – Do It Now!**

## BIBLE STUDY MENU

### SUNDAY

ACTS

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Carretto)

### MONDAY

Bible Stories

7:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall (Carretto)

### WEDNESDAY

Church Denominations

9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Moreno)

### THURSDAY

Men's Bible Study – "Armor of God"

6:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall (Moreno)

## MORE BIBLE STUDIES AVAILABLE

**\*\* MONDAYS – Join Pastor Carretto for "Bible Stories".** You've read the Bible's familiar stories from the time that you were a small child. This Monday night Bible Study gives you the chance to see these stories in a new light and with new depth! We'll take one story a week. Join us Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for "The Rest of the Story".

**\*\* WEDNESDAYS – THE BIBLE** - Join Pastor Moreno from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The current focus is on "Church Denominations".

**\*\* THURSDAYS – "Equipped – The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles"** Men's Bible Study. 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Pastor Moreno.

**\*\* TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BREAKFAST STUDY** takes place every other Tuesday morning, at 7:00 a.m. at First Choice Catering (1110 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street). The next study will be Tuesday, November 14. Topic: James.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**\*\* SUNDAY SCHOOL** is off and rolling! Haven't made it yet? We can't wait to see you! Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education with any questions. [cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org](mailto:cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org) We meet at the school at 9:15 a.m.

### Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship 10/31/21 ..... 415  
Communed ..... 331

### Our Stewardship of Treasure

Received 10/31/21 ..... \$ 16,662

*Your generosity and continued support during this time of restrictions is greatly appreciated.*

### Hospitalized

Known to be hospitalized this past week:  
at FRHS – no one listed; at Mercy/Sioux City  
– Janice Nicholas

If you or a family member are hospitalized, please notify the Church Office.

**LIFE QUOTE:** "Abortion isn't somebody else's issue. It's your business, it's my business, and it's our business. It's our issue as Christians, it's our issue as citizens, and it's our issue as human beings. Abortion and the sanctity of every human life matter very much for elections—more so than anything else. And it matters for much more than elections. It's a whole life issue!" *Pastor Michael Salemin, Executive Director of Mission and Ministry, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*



*There should be no division in the body, but ... its parts should have equal concern for each other.*

1 Corinthians 12:25

**\*\* PARENT PARTNERS** – a project of the Christian Nurture Board, is seeking “experienced” parent volunteers who would be willing to partner with “new” parents in our church. Simply put, you would reach out to and support brand new parents as they begin their journey in raising Christian children. Contact the church office to leave your name and receive further information.

**\*\* PAJAMA DRIVE** – The Evangelism Board is once again partnering with the Salvation Army/Good Neighbors for this annual community event. Collection is currently underway and will run through the weekend before Thanksgiving. A tote is available in the Narthex during this period for youth through adult NEW pajama donations. The Salvation Army is especially needing boys size 8 through men’s adult size XXL, and women’s sizes small through extra large, however, all sizes will be appreciated.

## **MUSIC NOTES**

**\*\* CELEBRATION CHOIR** – Celebration Choir rehearses on Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church sanctuary. High school youth on up are welcome. Questions – contact Starla in the Church Office 371-1210.

**\*\* MUSICIANS NEEDED FOR 10:30 SERVICE** – Willing to play guitar, keyboard, drums? 10:30 Praise Team needs you. Please contact the church office for further information.

## **Mission Memo ... Pray for Church Workers Around the World & in our Community**

This is an introduction to the 2nd missionary the Big Mission Event will support at the end of December 2021. **Rev. Dr. John and Melinda Bombaro (Sophia, Marie, Anna, Luca) are missionaries to Latvia, based in Riga.** Rev. Bombaro works to plant an English-speaking congregation in Riga. He teaches Lutheran theology and mentors seminary students at Riga Luther Academy. With Melinda's help, he also coordinates conferences around Eurasia for pastors and church workers. **Pray the Bombaro family is given wisdom and boldness to proclaim Christ as Lord and Savior.**

**\*\* REV. DR. FUNGCHATOU LO** will be special guest preacher at St. John Lutheran Church, Battle Creek on Saturday November 13 at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday November 14 at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Lo is from Hmong International Mission (HIM) located in Thailand and Southeast Asia.

## **YOUTH FOCUS**

**\*\* CONFIRMATION** (7th & 8th grade) has begun. 7<sup>th</sup> grade meets at the school (Room 131). 8<sup>th</sup> graders gather in the Chapel.

**\*\* HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY** – meets at 9:15 a.m. every Sunday in Room 205 (Resource Room) at CLS.

**\*\* WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP** - We are having a blast hanging out and spending time in God's Word at youth group. All are welcome, and bring a friend! Grade 7 & 8 is 6:30-7:30 p.m., and 9-12 is 7:45-9:00 every Wednesday. Meet by the grass at Christ Lutheran Church!

**\*\* QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH EVENTS?** - Do you have a question about a youth event, or want to start receiving text notifications about our youth ministry? Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education at [cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org](mailto:cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org), or send a text @ 507-456-5380.



**\*\* HAM DINNER - Sunday, November 14**, the school is having a ham dinner pick-up similar to what we did last year with our turkey dinner. Order forms are available in the Narthex to give us an idea of how much food we need. Please return all completed forms to the School Office or fill out and email your order to [njackson@clnorfolk.org](mailto:njackson@clnorfolk.org). Taking a picture of your order on your phone and sending to Nicole is a nice way to get your order in! A free will donation will be collected at time of pick up. Orders can be picked up between 5:00-7:00 p.m. on November 14, in front of the south gym door at CLS. Proceeds will go toward student tuition assistance. **Today is the last chance to reserve your meal!**

## LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



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**\*\* LHNE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE** - As of Tuesday, November 2, LHNE has received pledges that total \$1,456,000 on our way to a goal of \$3,400,000! The new Agriculture and Science classroom spaces will bless many students in the future as we look to begin construction in 2022! If you have questions on how you can be involved in our campaign, please reach out to us and we will be glad to find where God is leading you to be a part of this exciting project!

**\*\* ONE ACT – LADY: LIMITED** - Please join the LHNE One Act cast as they perform their competitive piece *Lady: Limited* on Sunday, Nov 14. Adapted from William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, the age-old drama is retold to portray how a woman strives to gain power in a society where the only way to achieve such means is through the achievements of a man. Prior to the show, enjoy coffee and an assortment of the famous gourmet cupcakes (made by directors Steven and Heather Whitney)! Doors open at 4:00 p.m. with the performance beginning at 4:30 p.m. Admission is free, but free will donations are graciously accepted at the door

**\*\* NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FALL FESTIVAL** - The LHNE National Honor Society is putting on a Fall Festival for K-8th graders from 3:00-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 13. Tickets can be purchased (20 for \$10) at the door. Carnival games, prizes and lots of fun in the main gym! We look forward to seeing you there!

### **\*\* UPCOMING EVENTS –**

- 11/8 – LHNE All Choral Clinic for Grade Schoolers
- 11/9 – One Act at Schuyler
- 11/11 – Mock Trial Competition
- 11/12-11/13 – FFA Pathways to Careers Conference - Kearney
- 11/13 – National Honor Society Fall Festival
- 11/14 – LHNE Choir at St. Johns- Battle Creek
- 11/14 – One Act Performance at LHNE
- 11/22 – LHNE Fall Blood Drive

# PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

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, Sonia Clark, Sandy Cover, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Bruce Gardels, Bruce Hansen, Stacy (Kesting) Hart, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Judy Hilkemann, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Melvin Jensen, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Margaret McCutchen, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Bryan Muehlmeier, Amy Neuhalfen, Keith Neuhalfen, Katrina Peabody, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Melvin Sanders, Leon Schulz, Jay Sila, Steve Sothan, Nicholle Soukup, Larry Walker, Velda Warneke, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Kathy Wolfe, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz.
- For those homebound, in care centers, nursing homes, suffering long-term illness; those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, undergoing surgery, or facing difficult times, including: Elizabeth Ambrose, Mike Brockhaus, Shellie Bretschneider, Robert Daughton, Lucille Gesell, Jonathan Glaser, Timothy Hallberg, Nicole Hausmann, Craig Herpy, Joy Henkel, Melody Hulse, EllaMae Jensen, Lois Kapels, Steve Long, Lois Miller, Connie Mock, Jim Papstein, Hazel Pflueger, Renee Praeuner, Diane Pinger, Shelby Reeker, Michelle Reeson, Sandy Schulz, Brayden Vodehnal, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, & a young girl, Taryn, & those undergoing tests/treatments.
- For Andrew Rutten, continuing his recovering from successful kidney transplant surgery, and thanksgiving and healing for his donor Alex.
- For Don and Carey Weber in the loss of their son, John Weber.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Irene Neitzke (11/9)
- Thanksgiving for the baptism of Coy Alan Schulz into God's family.
- Thanksgiving for our Veterans who have so faithfully served and sacrificed for our country, and for those who continue to serve and defend our nation.
- We pray for all people in authority over communities and countries, all whose decisions affect the health of its inhabitants, and all who are charged to maintain justice within their borders and peace among nations.
- We pray for all who serve the Lord as they care for others – medical personnel and first responders, counselors and advisers, friends and neighbors, professionals and volunteers.
- For grocers, pharmacists, other retailers, and transport personnel who keep their stores open, the shelves stocked and deliver essential needs for all customers.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & PASTORAL NEEDS – If you have a prayer request or a special need that would require pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact the Church Office (402-371-1210). We will handle needs on an individual basis.**

**\*\* BATTLE CREEK FESTMAHL** - Mark your calendars for the 65th Annual Festmahl Dinner, November 7, 2021 at St. John Lutheran Church Battle Creek in the Parish Hall from 5:00-7:00 pm. The menu includes; turkey, dressing, salads and all the fixins. Tickets are available at the door at a price of \$12 per Adult and \$5 per child with children ages 4 and under Free. Carry-out meals are also available from 4:30 - 6:30 pm for \$12 per plate. To order a take out meal please call the St John's Church office at (402) 675-3155 after 4:30 pm on the day of the event.

**\*\* 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY ITEMS** – There are a few 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary tumblers still available. They may be purchased at the Scrip Desk/Welcome Center in the Narthex after services, or you may contact the Church Office during regular business hours if interested. Cost is \$15.

**\*\* 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS** are here! If you ordered an ornament, please stop by the Scrip/Welcome Desk after church services or contact the Church Office to make arrangements for pick up.

**Church Office is open to be of service to the congregation.**  
**Summer Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. / Fridays 8 a.m. – Noon**