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Week of 11.14.21

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Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Today is the 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture for today: Daniel 12:1-3 + Hebrews 10:11-25 + Mark 13:1-13

**** BAPTISM** – Lane Matthew Miller, son of Matthew and Sydney Miller, is being baptized in the 10:30 service this weekend. Lane was born June 25, 2021. Sponsors are Shannon Davenport and Kris Turk.

UNITING TO GROW CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR CLS

“Set apart a tithe of all the yield of your seed that is brought in yearly from the field... so that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work you undertake.” - Deuteronomy 14:22, 29

This ancient scripture is still very pertinent in our world today. We can relate to it very easily in this area, where so many people still bring in a yearly harvest from the fields. Christ Lutheran is truly blessed by the generosity of our supporters. Our *Uniting to Grow* Capital Campaign total continues to grow and currently stands at more than \$3.7 million. Every week that goes by we get closer and closer to our goal, a goal that will allow us to make improvements to the school that will enhance the Lutheran education of young people for generations to come.

The campaign will be wrapping up soon and we hope to reach out to every family in the next month. If you have a pledge card and you haven't returned it yet, please take a moment to do so. If you don't have a pledge card and have not been contacted, please call the church office and someone will help you with your campaign pledge. The phone number is (402) 371-1210. God will bless us for every gift we make, no matter the size. And each gift moves us closer to our goal.

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.

**** 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. November 21 is the last date to drop off donations here at church. 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.

**** DRIVE THRU LIVE NATIVITY** - Christ, Grace, Mt. Olive, and Our Savior in Norfolk are hosting a *Drive Thru Live Nativity* December 11, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Memorial Field Parking Lot, free and open to the public. The *Drive Thru Live Nativity* will include seven scenes from the Christmas story, music, Bible readings, actors, live animals, and giveaway gifts that go along with each scene to help families share the story in their cars and afterwards at home.



The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church

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

BIBLE STUDY MENU

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| 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. 9th Street). The next study will be Tuesday, November 14. Topic: James.

**** 2022 LUTHERAN BIBLE INSTITUTE – BIBLE 101** is scheduled for Sundays, January 9, 16 and 23 (30), from 1:30-4:30 p.m. God offers hope in His holy love letter. Come and see. The Institute will be held Grace Lutheran Church, 416 West Park Avenue.

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 We meet at the school at 9:15 a.m.

Our Stewardship of Time

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| In Worship 11/07/21 | 457 |
| Communed | 239 |
| Sunday Bible Class | 49 |

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Received 11/07/21 \$ 22,111

Your generosity and continued support during this

Hospitalized

Known to be hospitalized this past week:
at FRHS – no one listed; Jan Nicholas is currently at Heritage of Bel-Air.

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

LIFE QUOTE: "God says you are vital. You are crucial. His Body is incomplete without you. He says that to each of us, and I believe God wants us to see and say that about each other—despite our perceptions of one another." *Mona Fuerstenau – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19

**** 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.

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. (During Advent, Celebration Choir Rehearsals move to Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.)

**** 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

The Big Mission Event will support Orphan Grain Train. (OGT) Its motto is John 14:18, "I will not leave you as orphans." During the past fiscal year 245 full shipments (40 or 53 ft. containers) of donated relief supplies and meals were shipped within the U.S. and internationally. 132 (53 ft.) semi-loads were distributed to domestic locations. 113 (40 ft.) containers went to 23 different countries. More than \$37.7 million worth of donated humanitarian aid, food and disaster relief assistance was distributed. **Pray that God will help us to support the relief efforts of Orphan Grain Train.**

**** S.O.S. BIG EVENT IS VIRTUAL** - Due to concerns about Covid, the Christ Lutheran SOS group is again doing their BIG EVENT virtually. This fundraiser supports Missionaries, Orphan Grain Train, scholarships for sons of the congregation for seminary school, CL youth mission events, Lutheran Hour Ministries, and Priozersk Russian Orphanage. Thank you for your support of this endeavor. Donations may be dropped off or mailed to the church office.

**** 150th ANNIVERSARY ITEMS** – There are a few 150th 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.

**** 150TH 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.

YOUTH FOCUS

**** CONFIRMATION** (7th & 8th grade) has begun. 7th grade meets at the school (Room 131). 8th 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, or send a text @ 507-456-5380.

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**** LHNE BOOSTER CLUB SOCIAL** - The LHNE Booster Club is excited to invite parents of current students, past students, and rising 7th & 8th grade students to come visit with old and new friends and find out what makes LHNE so special. This event will occur at the Loft (311 W Norfolk Ave) on Friday, November 19th from 6-10pm. Pizza & light snacks will be provided with drinks available for purchase. Interested? Please RSVP to Jen Kinter at 402-750-2328.

**** LHNE BLOOD DRIVE** - As the holidays approach, no gift is more valuable than the gift of life through blood donations. Please consider donating blood on Monday, November 22nd at LHNE. We are moving our collection area from the Library to the Gym in order to increase the collection units. Please consider donating. The blood drive is held from Noon-6pm.

**** FALL SPORTS SEASON COMES TO AN END** - LHNE Cross-Country, Football, & Volleyball teams had a great season this year. We are so thankful to have supportive parents and fans cheer our Eagles on. A special thanks goes out to all those volunteers who helped before, during, and after sporting events by keeping score, judging lines, moving chains, collecting money, selling concessions, driving students, and preparing snacks and meals for them. We also are so thankful for our Athletic Trainer Jenny Aschoff for all the extra time she spends with our athletes to make sure that they are safe to participate.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF NOVEMBER 14, 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 those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Doug Hankins (11/16), Yvonne Lichtenberg (11/16), Delano Hintz (11/19) Jean Wockman (11/21) and Sharon Zautke (11/21).
- Thanksgiving for the baptism of Lane Matthew Miller into God's family.
- 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.