



Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Week of 05.08.22

MISSION STATEMENT: To be a redeemed family of believers growing in faith and receiving God's grace, discovering unity and belonging, rooted in Jesus Christ.

FOCUS

The Fourth Sunday of Easter – Good Shepherd Sunday
5:30 Liturgy: Vespers, pg. 229 - 8:00 Liturgy: Matins, pg. 219
Scripture for today: Acts 20:17-35 + Revelation 7:9-17+ John 10:22-30
Pastor Hanft's message "I Did Not Shrink!" is based on Acts 20:20

**** TODAY IN 8:00 WORSHIP** – The Celebration Choir will be offering two anthems of praise. The first is a selection pulled from the archives, "A Faithful Shepherd is My Lord" by Johann Nägeli, appropriate for today, Good Shepherd Sunday, and based on Psalm 23. The second selection, "There is a Higher Throne" by Keith and Kristyn Getty, echoes the message of the second reading from Revelation that speaks of the great multitude of nations standing before the throne and the Lamb.

**** PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY** – O God, since the time we were born, You have lovingly carried us through life. We thank You this day for our mothers who also lovingly carried us to birth and who continue to instruct, nurture and support us in so many ways. Bless and keep them in Your care as they enrich the lives of our families. Amen.

**** FLOWERS** on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by the family of LaJean Hofmann in thanksgiving for 85 years of birthday blessings.



A SPECIAL INVITATION

**** EVERYONE IS INVITED** to join us for chapel on Thursday, May 12 as we close out the 150th year of school at Christ Lutheran. Chapel is at 9:00 a.m., followed by an 8th grade sendoff walk through student tunnel from church to school. A disposition of the old school building will be held at 9:30 a.m. along the south side of the building. Band, final awards and plant sale prizes will be in the school gym at 9:45 a.m.

****SCHOOL DEMOLITION PREPARATION** – We are preparing for demolition day and need all hands on deck. Many hands make the workload light. May 9-12 are critical days to get most things completed, cleared out, stored or disposed of. There are a variety of areas that need attention and you might be able to help – cooking on Tuesday and clearing out the kitchen, moving the Biblical Garden, move heavy items, etc. Use this link to see where you can use your talents to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B44A8AC23A2FA7-prep>

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING

Sunday, May 15 at 9:15 a.m. This meeting will be for 2 brief agenda items: 1. Issue a Call to Rhonda Henschen as Preschool Director; 2. Amend By-laws to read, "school board meetings open to public." This is to comply with School Accreditation recommendations.

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

Rev. Dr. Walter and Robyn Steele are missionaries in Africa. (The Big Mission Event in 2019 and 2020 supported them to Matongo, Kenya.) Rev. Walter met Frank Mdingi in 2018 at the Matongo Lutheran Theological College Kenya. Frank Mdingi is helping the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT) to become more firmly grounded in the Word of God and the Gospel of Christ in the Southeast of Lake Victoria Diocese. Frank is enrolled in the Bachelor In Theology program at Matongo. Rev. Walter says that Frank is a student, a friend and coworker in Christ Jesus. Serving in Africa is all about teaching faithful men who are able to teach others. **Pray for Frank as he completes his final semester at Matongo. Pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church Tanzania that more faithful pastors may be raised up to meet the need of making the Word of God fully known so that more people may be brought to Christ and those who believe may be strengthened in their faith.**

**** MISSIONARY PRESENTATION – Rev. Adam Lehman and family** will be presenting their story of mission work in Puerto Rico on Saturday, May 14 at 1:00 p.m. at Mission Central, Mapleton, Iowa. Hear how the Lord is using them in Puerto Rico and how they are equipping the saints there to start new churches and Bible studies. It is an amazing story to hear and amazing pictures to see this story laid out.

BIBLE STUDIES AVAILABLE

**** MONDAYS – Join Pastor Carretto for “Bible Stories”.** You’ve read these familiar stories from the time that you were a small child. This Monday night study gives you the chance to see these stories in a new light and with new depth, one story a week! “The Rest of the Story”, Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**** WEDNESDAYS – THE BIBLE** - Join Pastor Moreno from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The current focus of this study is on the Scripture lessons for the upcoming Sunday, the 5th Sunday of Easter: Acts 11:1-18, Revelation 21:1-7 and John 16:12-22.

**** THURSDAYS – “Equipped – The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles” Men’s Bible Study.** 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Monte Glaser.

**** 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, May 10.

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship **05/01/22** 703
Communed 435

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Received **05/01/22** \$ 17,965

Your generosity and continued support.

Hospitalized

Known to be hospitalized this past week:
at FRHS – no listing.

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

LIFE QUOTE: “Remember, it is your **INDISPENSABLE** hands that gather up all the coins from baby bottles, the diapers from diaper drives, and the layettes and baby clothes that keep pregnancy resource center shelves stocked and able to provide much needed support for a pregnant mother and father to choose life!” *Jeff Duncan, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

1 Peter 4:8

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**** LHNE BIG GIVE TO SUPPORT NEW EQUIPMENT** - Lutheran High Northeast is participating in the Norfolk BIG GIVE on Tuesday, May 24, 2022. LHNE is looking to raise \$60,000 during this event. The goal is to update/upgrade the LHNE weight room. All the equipment in the weight room has been in use since the room was completed in 2004. A matching gift of \$30,000 has been given by the LHNE Booster Club in order to encourage you and others to help make this update/upgrade a reality. Go to <https://www.norfolkareabiggive.org/> and search for Lutheran High Northeast to participate. Thank you for your support.

**** SPORTS PHYSICALS** - Sports Physicals are available on May 5 at LHNE from 3:00-5:00 p.m. A donation of \$25 per physical is suggested with proceeds coming back to LHNE.

**** LHNE GRADUATION CEREMONY 2022** – Congratulations to the Senior Class of 2022! We pray that LHNE has helped them become stronger in their faith as they embark on the next part of their life journey. The ceremony will be held at LHNE, Sunday, May 8 beginning at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**** CALLING ALL MUSICIANS** - LHNE is currently seeking candidates for a part-time music director. The position includes one period of choir and one period of band, scheduled together in the part of the school day that works for the new director. Please contact Principal Daniel Sievert if you have any interest in this position or know of anyone who would have interest.

YOUTH FOCUS

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Next Sunday, May 15 will be the last day for Sunday School for this term. We are looking forward to a summer of faith growth as a family! Stay tuned for resources for you and your family.

**** SENIOR BLESSING** will take place in the 10:30 service on Sunday, May 15. Seniors mark your calendar!

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

**** WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP** -. Our last youth group meetings for the season will be May 11. Stay tuned to hear about our summer plans!

**** QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH EVENTS?** - or want to start receiving text notifications about youth ministry? Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education at cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org, or text @ 507-456-5380.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help make and serve coffee on Sundays. Greeters are also needed. Please contact the Church Office if you are interested, or sign up at the Coffee Bar. This is a great way to get know more people in the congregation.

**Church Office is open to be of service to the congregation.
Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. / Fridays 8 a.m. – 12:00 noon.**

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF MAY 8, 2022

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, Cody Camenzind, Sonia Clark, Sandy Cover, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Bruce Gardels, Gail Gubbels, Bruce Hansen, Stacy (Kesting) Hart, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Judy Hilkemann, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Melvin Jensen, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Amy Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Melvin Sanders, Leon Schulz, Jay Sila, Steve Sothan, Nicholle Soukup, Gretchen Trinklein, 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, Jim Barritt, Mike Brockhaus, 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, Jagger Nathan, Hazel Pflueger, Renee Praeuner, Diane Pinger, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Brayden Vodehnal, James Wagner, Edie Weich, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, & a young girl, Taryn, & those undergoing tests/treatments.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Lajeane Hofmann (5/7), Don Cherington (5/9) and Arlene Range (5/15).
- Thanksgiving for the blessing of mothers.
- For students and teachers during the final days of this school year, for wisdom and patience.
- For the people of Ukraine.
- 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.
- 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.