



Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Week of 07.31.22

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 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgy for 5:30 & 8:00 Divine Service 3, LSB pg. 184ff

Scripture for today: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26 + Colossians 3:1-11 + Luke 12:13-21

** **FLOWERS** on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Garold and Linda Kollmar in thanksgiving for 55 years of marriage blessings (7/30).

** **FUNERAL** – James Barritt was called to his Savior's side on July 26, 2022. Funeral service will be held on Monday, August 1 at Stonacek Memorial Chapel.

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

** **SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 – EDUCATION SUNDAY CELEBRATION!** We will be celebrating the many blessing God gives us in our school system, our dedicated staff and faculty and our students.

- Installation of our new Preschool Director, Rhonda Henschen
- Re-dedication of our returning faculty (faculty/staff listing page 4 of Focus)
- Recognition of Ministry Milestone honorees (listed on page 4 of Focus)
- Backpack blessing for students

STUDENTS - All students are invited to bring their backpacks and receive a special blessing and tag to attach to their bag as a reminder of God's love for them as we begin a new school year.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – A BLOCK PARTY FOR ALL AGES

** **IT'S BLOCK PARTY #3 THIS WEEK** - We've had two awesome events and we can't wait to see you at the next Block Party Vacation Bible School event! This is for families of all ages on August 3 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Join us for free food, crafts, activities, and a devotion at 6:30. It's all happening on the Christ Lutheran School playground.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

** **REGISTRATION DAY AT CLS** will be Tuesday, August 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and is for all incoming K-8 students. Please come and go at a time convenient for you.

** **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 – “To Norfolk With Love”** a community-wide service project! We will be joining other churches across Norfolk to share the love of Jesus through service. Hope to see you at this family-friendly event! More information coming soon.

** **SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 & 2 – “Pack Away Hunger”** with Mercy Meals, Orphan Grain Train and community sponsors. Organize a team of 8-9 people for this event and watch for more information next month on how you can participate, or contact Rhonda Wrenholt at 402-649-6401 for more details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

** **10:30 CLICKERS NEEDED** – We are in desperate need of individuals to serve as clickers for the 10:30 service. Please contact Lynn in the Church Office for details.

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

Rev. James and Angie Sharp ((Elias, Ambrose, Callida, Magdalyn) are missionaries in Uruguay, South America. (Christ Lutheran supports this family through its giving.) They request prayers for time together as a family and for all childrens' spiritual, physical, and academic growth. Pray for missionaries and national pastors throughout South America to be faithful and diligent in sharing the Good News with their neighbors, friends, and families. **Give thanks for opening a new mission in Salto and pray that God will help them find a more permanent home for the downtown mission.**

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, now 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 preceding Sunday, the 8th Sunday after Pentecost: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26, Colossians 3:1-11 and Luke 12:13-21.

**** 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, August 2.

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship **07/24/22** 358
Communed 91

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Received **07/24/22** \$ 11,425

Your generosity and continued support are greatly appreciated.

Hospitalized

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

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

LIFE QUOTE: “‘Therefore choose life,’ God said, ‘that you and your offspring may live.’ The way to choose life is to trust. Don’t panic. Did you think human life was going to be humanly possible? It’s not. It was never meant to be. Guiding a human being through the journey of life is possible only for God. That’s why the only way to choose life is to trust, to trust God. God gives no one a possible life. The call of God is to an impossible life. Otherwise, why trust? And life was created for trust.” *Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

**** DID YOU KNOW? – Birthright has a new address.** Birthright of Norfolk, Suite 260, 301 N. 4th Street, Norfolk, NE 68701 (402-379-1004).

**** LADIES OF THE CONGREGATION & PRISCILLA MEMBERS** - This Tuesday, August 2, all ladies of the congregation are invited to join the Priscillas at 7:00 p.m. in the Grace Lutheran church basement to help pack the Christmas gift boxes for Orphan Grain Train. Donated items should be brought to the church by tomorrow.

COMMUNITY

The Heritage at Fountain Point will be presenting another of their senior planning series on Wednesday, August 10, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. This session is "Trusts, Estates, Wills, and Power of Attorney." Local elder law attorneys explain your options for setting up the legal frameworks needed to protect your legacy and lifestyle. To RSVP or learn more, call Jen at 402-758-9000.

**** LIFE LUNCH** – Norfolk Area Lutherans for Life will meet at Christ Lutheran at noon on August 23. Feel free to bring your lunch and your ideas! If you are not able to join us we ask that you unite with us in prayer as we strive to mirror the love and mercy of our Heavenly Father to all others.

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**** BEEF BLAST IS COMING – SUNDAY, AUGUST 28!** - We are looking forward to another day filled with fellowship, food, games, and auctions and are currently seeking donated items and services for our silent and live auctions. Please contact us if you have something!

**** SCHOOL REGISTRATION DAY** - On August 3 from 9:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m., all incoming and current LHNE students need to register. Parents will have an opportunity to visit with the teachers and meet our new guidance counselor. They will also be asked to review and sign forms required by administration. Please put this date on your calendar.

**** NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION** - All incoming freshmen and new transfer students are asked to attend our New Student Orientation that will occur on Tuesday, August 9 from 8:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Please wear clothing that can get wet!

**** MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** - As LHNE celebrates the start of its 27th year, we want to thank you for all your support throughout the years. Your support of the students at activities and events, the gifting for the campaigns and mission, and the prayers for this ministry are greatly appreciated! Please continue to keep the students and staff in your prayers this year and always!

**** UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Wednesday, August 3 – Student Registration Day
- Monday, August 8 – Fall Practices Start
- Tuesday, August 9 – New Student Orientation (9th graders & new transfers)
- Tuesday, August 9 – LHNE Parent Meeting at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, August 10 – School Starts!
- Saturday, August 13 – LHNE Golf Tournament
- Sunday, Monday, August 14-15 – Senior Retreat

**** ANNIVERSARY CARD SHOWER:** Chris, James and Tina Begeman, children of Bill and Bonnie Begeman, are requesting a card shower in honor of their parents' 50th wedding anniversary. Together they have found a friendship, raised a family, and built a beautiful marriage. They have many friends and family near and far, so we invite you to celebrate this special day with them by sending a card or note to include a memory, and or simply express your good wishes. Please mail your card to arrive near August 4th. Cards can be mailed to: Bill and Bonnie Begeman, PO Box 655, Norfolk, NE 68702.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF JULY 31, 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, Earleen Gansebom, 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, 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, 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 Darlene Barritt and family in the loss of her husband Jim.
- For Carl and Sue Bernstrauch and family in the loss of Sue's mother, Nadine Wacker.
- Blessings for the final Block Party VBS event this coming week.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Gladys Spaulding (8/3).
- Thanksgiving for 55 years of marriage blessings given to Garold and Linda Kollmar (7/30).
- For rain to quench the parched earth and favorable weather.
- For Rev. Calvin Kapels as he considers the Call to become our Associate Pastor.
- 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 – Prayer Requests or special needs that would require pastoral care, please contact the Church Office (402-371-1210). We will handle needs on an individual basis.

2022-2023 CHIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL FACULTY & STAFF

Amy Sievert (3-Day Preschool)	Sonya Tompkins (5th-8th Language Arts)
Liela Konopasek (3-Day Preschool Aide)	Susan Harstad (5th-8th Math)
Amanda Behnke (3-Day Preschool Aide)	Jonathan Himmier (5th-8th Science, Activities Director)
Rhonda Henschen (5-Day Preschool & PS Dir.)	Robin Cheney (5th-8th Social Studies)
Margaret Feddern (5-Day Preschool Aide)	Jade Long (PE)
Michelle Praeuner (5-Day Preschool Aide)	Adrienne Didier (Computer)
LaRhea Voelker (Kindergarten)	Earleen Gansebom (Music/Band)
Mary Carriker (Kindergarten)	Micah Symmank (Art/Reading)
Kristi Shermer (Kindergarten Aide)	Mandi Peters (Media Specialist)
Deb Schmidt (1st Grade)	Tina Anderson (Admin Assistant)
Phyllis Glaser (1st Grade)	Melissa Seevers (Kitchen Staff)
Kathy Wiest (1st Grade Aide)	Dorothy Freudenburg (Kitchen Staff)
Christy Owen (2nd Grade)	Mark McKeown (Custodian)
Beth Skoglund (2nd Grade)	Nicole Konert (Special Education from NPS)
Carey Portwood (3rd Grade)	Jill Blalock (Title Reading from NPS)
Susan Colligan (3rd Grade)	Krystl Mullner (School Nurse)
Von Portwood (4th Grade)	Drew Urban (Principal)
Shelby Tachovsky (4th Grade)	

**** MINISTRY MILESTONE HONOREES:** Kristi Shermer (10 years), Drew Urban (15 years), Chad Bryant (20 years), Susan Colligan (20 years), Donna Johnson (25 years) and Starla Landkamer (30 years).