

# WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

### This Week at Christ Lutheran Church September 17-24, 2017

#### Today – September 17

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship  
6:00 p.m. Candy Cup (All Youth Activity)

#### Monday – September 18

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings  
5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry  
6:30 p.m. Reformation Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 p.m. Sisters Bible Study  
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

#### Tuesday – September 19

8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Fellowship Committee Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Youth & Family Committee Meeting

#### Wednesday – September 20

7:00 p.m. Worship Ensemble Practice  
7:00 p.m. Women's Retreat Planning Meeting

#### Thursday – September 21

6:30 p.m. Reformation Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. Mission Support Committee Meeting

#### Friday – September 22

6:00 p.m. TGIF Kick Off

#### Saturday – September 23

9:30 a.m. Reformation Rehearsal

#### Sunday – September 24

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
12:00 p.m. New Member Orientation  
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation

#### Last Week's Response:

Attendance on September 10  
9:00 a.m. – 100    10:30 a.m. - 146  
Offerings Needed YTD: \$280,773  
Offerings Received YTD: \$259,887  
Shortfall: \$20,886

### Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: September 24, 2017

#### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Andy VanGessel  
11:15 a.m. Tom Goetsch

**Altar Guild:** Suzanne Johnson

**Bread Baker:** Denise Sironen

#### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Dorothy Fetting  
11:15 a.m. Barb McMullin

#### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Lauren Wilterdink  
11:15 a.m. Devin Ulrich

#### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Coffee Servers:**

9:00 a.m. Lynn and Brian Byler  
11:15 a.m. Tom & Karen Owens

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. John & Mary DeHerrera, Dave & Lisa Harris,  
Chris Herp  
11:15 a.m. Kathy Reister, Don Groeneveld, Annie Westers,  
Serena Bush

#### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Chris Boes, Lauren Wilterdink  
11:15 a.m. Daryl & Jennifer Breymeyer, Devin Ulrich

#### **Reader:**

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh  
11:15 a.m. Steve Kauffman

#### **Nursery:**

9:00 a.m. *Schedule not available*  
11:15 a.m. *Schedule not available*

#### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Nicki Deuling, Joanne Francis  
11:15 a.m. Bill & Toni Steele

**Counters:** Jeff VandenBerg, Deb Park

**Sprouts Teacher:** Corey Family

#### **Video Operator:**

9:00 a.m. Whitney VanGessel  
11:15 a.m. Ann Modzeleski

#### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer  
11:15 a.m. Matt June

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

*“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer.” Romans 12:12*

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of September 10**

- Prayer of comfort Bowling and Burgstahler families who mourn the loss of Forrest’s father, Wesley Bowling who lives in Manistee.
- Prayers of healing for Kelly Mondell who had surgery for thyroid cancer.
- Prayers of strength and healing for Sharon Frederick.
- Prayers of healing for Braden Swan who has a broken shoulder after falling off his bike.
- Pray for guidance for Allison who is having marital issues.
- Prayers of safety for those affected by the hurricanes, including: Melissa and her family, Karen & Kelly in St. Petersburg, and Robert J. Ortego in Florida.
- Prayers of healing for Chris Yaroush who had surgery on Tuesday.
- Prayers of thanks for watching over Travis Wright on his travels.
- Pray for healing for Craig Anderson who had surgery on his knee.
- Pray for healing for Jim Kramer who had surgery on Tuesday.
- Prayers of healing for Blake Donaldson who had shoulder surgery.
- Prayers of safety for Krystal Owens who is leaving for Republic of Georgia for 16 months to do mission work.

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of September 3**

- Prayers of safety for Krystal Owens who is leaving for Republic of Georgia for 16 months to do mission work.
- Prayers of healing for Peggy.
- Prayers of comfort, joy and peace for Loraine LeFurge who is in hospice care.
- Prayers of safety and unity for Texas and our country.
- Prayers of safety for victims of all hurricanes and monsoons in Texas, India, Nepal and Bangladesh.

## **Pray for Those Serving in the Military**

- Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- Chris Fite, nephew of Tammy Walsh
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who has been deployed to Iraq (in July).
- Specialist Kayla Champaco and her husband Lance (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who are both stationed in El Paso, Texas
- Sean Toomey, friend of the June family, on a 9-month tour to the Middle East and left his wife and 2 children home
- Jeff McCullough
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger
- Hayden Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort

*\*\*\*If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office (532-2774 or [office@clcwyoing.org](mailto:office@clcwyoing.org)) by Friday at 10:00 a.m. to have your request printed in this portion of Sunday’s announcements. Of course, you can let Pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.*

### Upcoming Worship Leaders:

Today: Pastor Mike Kemper  
September 24: Pastor Michael Anton  
October 1: Pastor Polly Standley



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God  
by Dave & Mary Grant  
in celebration of family birthdays.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Sunday School Starts Today!** We have classes on Sundays beginning at 10:15 AM for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade through Adult. Children age 3 through Kindergarten are welcome to take part in our Sprouts program, which is offered during second service after the Children's Time.

**Adult Bible Study:** An eight-week class will be offered for adults during the Sunday School hour between services starting today! Jim Ward will lead this group that will be reading and discussing 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel, and they will meet in the Choir Room.

**TV Recycling Available:** Do you have an old TV you want to get rid of and recycle? You can recycle it here at church – we'll take it off your hands and see that it is recycled properly. Drop off is today, September 17, during or after church services from 10:20 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., or from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Items accepted are: TV's, monitors, keyboards, and printers. Items NOT accepted are: microwaves, coffee makers, home appliances, air conditioners and anything containing Freon or mercury. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Ward.

**Candy Cup:** Attention all youth! Sunday, September 17 at 6:00 PM is the Mosaic kickoff and we are inviting ALL of you to participate in this year's Candy Cup contest! We will split into teams to compete for - you guessed it - a bunch of CANDY! Winner of the event receives the candy cup and all of its awesome contents (more candy ☺) Come and join us for a ton of fun! Did I mention there will be candy?

**Back to School Bags Ministry:** Today is the last day we are collecting bags and supplies. Thank you for all of your support on this project!

**New Member Class:** Our next new member class will meet on September 24 immediately after the second service if you would like more information, please contact Patrick Blanchard at 616-460-7150.

**Confirmation Students:** Please remember to get signed paperwork back to me by our first class on September 24. Also, if you are a first year and have not turned in your mentor request, please give it to Suzanne Snider as soon as possible.

**Historic Event – Lutheran-Catholic Service of Prayer featuring a Mass Lutheran-Catholic Choir** in Grand Rapids on October 29, 2017, led by our Synod Bishop Craig Satterlee and Catholic Bishop David Walkowiak. Mark your calendar and consider singing with this choir – details to come!

**Reformation Sunday Choir:** Join us at CLC Sunday morning, October 29, as part of our own mass choir. Rehearsals will be October 11, 17, and 25 at 7:00 PM. We'll work on some music for Sunday morning and the afternoon Lutheran-Catholic Mass Choir.

**Step Up For Down Syndrome** is fast approaching and we would like to invite you to join or support the Team Anna's Fans, honoring one of our CLC youth Anna Diaz. This year's walk is September 30 at John Ball Zoo. Not only does your \$15 registration support Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan, but it also gets you admission to the zoo for the entire day! Registration begins at 8:30 with the walk through the zoo starting at 11. Register or donate at <http://dsawm.ezeventsolutions.com/StepUp/AnnasFans> If there are any questions please contact Christa Killgore at [workn4dalord@yahoo.com](mailto:workn4dalord@yahoo.com) Hope to see you at the Zoo!

### **Reformation 500 Activities in October:**

Oct. 3 – “Martin Luther: Reformer of Church & Society” at Trinity Lutheran Church. Free

Oct. 1-31 – “Renewed in Word, Faith, & Grace” juried Art Show at 6 venues (including CLC). Free

Oct. 19-21 – “Reformation,” the musical at Wealthy Theatre. Tickets \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at Wealthy Theatre box office or website. The shows are at 7:30 PM on October 19 and 20, 2:00 PM on October 21. You can reach Wealthy Theatre at 616-459-4788 ext. 131.

**Youth Dinners:** We will be putting together a few Youth Dinners this year on Sunday evenings. Our first dinner is on Sunday, October 8 beginning at 5:30 PM. The dinner is open to all youth, especially those involved in Junior Choir, Confirmation, and Mosaic. Look for a link to [signup.com](http://signup.com) coming out in the announcements next week to sign up to bring donations and also to RSVP if your child will be attending.

**Love, Laugh 'n Lunch:** Plans are being made for a day trip on Thursday, October 12. We will take a Brown Bag Tour to Middlebury, IN – a brown bag will be given to each person to be filled by a collection of edible souvenirs to be taken home. A delicious Thresher's meal will be served in an Amish home. Tour includes transportation, local guide, coffee & rolls, lunch, and taxes and gratuities for the lunch and driver. Cost is \$92.00 to travel from Grandville to Middlebury. The estimated time line is 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. If you would like to go with us, please call Karen Owens (532-5301) or Marilyn Miheve (538-3384), or email Dianne Vissers ([diannevissers@gmail.com](mailto:diannevissers@gmail.com)).

\*\* Forms are available at the Welcome Center and in the office if you would like to sign up.

**Mentors of Confirmation Students:** We will be having our first mentor activity on Sunday, October 15, beginning at 5:30 PM. We invite you to come and enjoy an Ice Cream Social with your mentee and get reacquainted or get to know each other for the first time! The social will last until 6:00 PM and then we invite you to stay and take part in our opening and commune with us to finish out our time together. If you are new to mentoring, Suzanne Snider will be meeting with mentors at 5:00 PM for a short meeting (15-20 minutes) to go over what the mentoring program consists of and answer any questions you might have. We hope to see you all there!

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**Share Your CLC Event Pictures** (with a brief description):  
Email: [pictures@clcwyoming.org](mailto:pictures@clcwyoming.org)

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This is week two of a four week series delving into 1 Corinthians 16:2 – “On the first day of the week...each of you is to set something aside and store it up...as you may prosper...so that offerings need not be made when I come.”

Week 2

***“...each of you is to set something aside and store it up “***

Let’s look at “HOW,” the PROCEDURE of giving. This was the reason why we stopped passing the basket for offering. Paul wrote, “so that when I come no collections will have to be made.” The Message goes like this: “When I get there you’ll have it ready, and I won’t have to make a special appeal.” The problem was, at that time we would only compute how much we give when the basket is right there in front of us. So, the church leaders decided to just place the offering boxes at the back. So you can plan how much you would give without pressure. We don’t have to beg or to prick your conscience.

One time, a pig gave birth to two piglets. The owner had a sudden inspiration. He told his wife, “When these pigs grow up, we will give one to the Lord.” His wife asked, “Which one?” He said, “Let’s just raise them and then decide later.” Then an epidemic came. One of the piglets died. The owner was so sad. He told his wife, “The pig of the Lord died.” How come it’s always the pig of the Lord that dies? We are to give SYSTEMATICALLY. What you give should be in your budget already. Usually when we don’t budget it, we drown in our bills that we end up using our offering to cover. Why can’t we sacrifice on other things like leisure or the non-essentials of life? You heard that if you fail to plan, you plan to fail. Let me paraphrase that: If you are not planning your giving, you are planning not to give.

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## EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

**Do You Or Someone You Know Need A Visit?** Our church has a rich history of caring for its members. In our interim period as we search for a new senior pastor, the need for mutual care is more important than ever. We want to be sure no one gets overlooked, whether it might be a quick phone call or a visit (at home or in the hospital) and maybe Communion, too. It is very important that we not assume that the church “just knows” if someone needs a visit or special care. Please contact Patrick Blanchard, our Outreach Coordinator, by phone (616-460-7150) or email ([pblanchard13@live.com](mailto:pblanchard13@live.com)) to let him know of any situation. All requests will remain confidential.

**The Youth and Family Committee** is in need of a person to take minutes at their meetings. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Kim Holwerda at [kaholwerda@gmail.com](mailto:kaholwerda@gmail.com).

**Women of CLC!** If you are interested in helping to plan our Women’s Retreat for 2018, there’s a couple things you need to know. First: we have **changed the date** of our first meeting to next **Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 PM**. Second: we would LOVE to have you there to share your thoughts and ideas for how we can make this year’s retreat fun, faith-filled, and full of inspiration! If you are unable to join us, but would like to take part in planning, please send me an email at [suzanne@clcwyoing.org](mailto:suzanne@clcwyoing.org) and let me know!

**Gladiola School:** This is our 4<sup>th</sup> year assisting teachers at Gladiola School. If you enjoy working with children, consider volunteering there! For more information, please call Kathy Reister at 538-6585.

**Personal Care Pantry Update:** If you would like to help PCP, these items are needed right now: fabric softener, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, Kleenex, toilet paper, dish detergent, and laundry detergent. Please place the donations in the box behind the Welcome Center. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and food for the dinners.

Personal Care Pantry welcomed 30 families on a beautiful, sun-shiny day last Monday. The following people have requested that we pray for them:

Mary Jane: for her husband, Rubin, who just got a pacemaker	Julia: for good health for her family and for safety
Olga: for her son who has an ear infection	Maria C.: for her and her family
Rosalie: for two family members who have cancer	Hortencia: for her mom, Aurelia
Hedwig: thankfulness for good health	Amanda, Anita, Annette, & Martha: for good health
Jeanette: for good health for everyone	Fermin: for relief from his back pain
Rosa: for her family	Martha: for the people in Florida
Gail: for her and her mom	Margarita: prayers of thanks for her job
Olpha: for her	Santos: for her grandparents
Deborah: for her sister who is in a nursing home and for their family	
Mark: for peace and normalcy for all the people affected by the hurricanes	
Phu: he is in the hospital with very serious back problems	Ana: she is facing deportation and will be appearing in court to fight it. She has 3 children and doesn't know what will happen to them. She was brought here 20 years ago as a young child and the U.S. is her life.
Stacey: for her husband, Peter, who is in rehab and has lost his job and for her to get through the next year raising 5 children on her own.	
Guadalupe: for her husband, Jesus, who is having very painful knee problems	

**Altar Flower Updates:** The 2018 Flower Chart is now posted on the wall behind the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space. We will once again have just one arrangement signup per Sunday at a cost of \$27.00. A notice will be sent to you with an envelope marked with your name, the date you selected, and the amount noted. You may place your payment in the offering plate on Sunday, drop it off at the office, or send your payment via mail. You may purchase an arrangement to honor family or friend for a special occasion or dedicate it in memory of a loved one. On the line next to the date on the calendar please note the occasion and your name. The arrangement will be available at the Welcome Center after the service you noted on the chart.

**Lutheran Disaster Response** is in high gear now, with the addition of Hurricane Irma (one of the most powerful storms ever recorded in the Atlantic). You can choose to help victims from a specific hurricane or select "*where needed most*" when you make a donation. If you would like to help, please use the blue form available on the Welcome Center. You can mail a donation to Lutheran Disaster Response, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 – write "Hurricane Response" on your check memo line. You can also give by phone: 800-638-3522 or give online at [www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster).