Christ Lutheran Church

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Boldly living Christ's extreme love; Building Faith and Community

HOSPITALIZED: Richard Ritchey, MaryFran Wessler

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Dean Baize, Jennifer Krueger, Joni Bradshaw, Donna Gogele, Jana Grebe, Clyde Lockenour, Mike Trau, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Norm Zentko, Darlene Marvel, Louie Heuermann, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Pat Kretzmann (Rebecca Best's mother), Jan Long, Tina Hill (friend of Linda Von Behren), Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Jeff Lowe, Michael VandeVoorde, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Amelia Martin (granddaughter of Debbie Lawrence), Doug Closen (son of Debbie Lawrence), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), Diane Hollis (friend of Wayne Siebels), Sheila Sturdivant, Julie Campen, Rod Delicath, for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, CLS staff and students, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU that if you have someone you would like to be remembered in The Prayer of the Church during worship on Sundays, send an email to angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). Names on the prayer list will be updated each week and removed after approximately 4 weeks, unless the office is otherwise notified. We will renew prayers when requested.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (JUN 17th - JUN 23rd)

MON 6/17	
<u>TUE 6/18:</u>	
WED 6/19:	
<u>THU 6/20:</u>	OFFICE Closed
FRI 6/21:	OFFICE Closed
<u>SAT 6/22:</u>	
<u>SUN 6/23:</u>	Holy Communion9:00AM
	Sunday School
	Bible Class 10:30AM

JUNE 16, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture of the Day Ezekial 17:22-24, 2Corinthians 5:1-10, Mark 4:26-34

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WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!

NOTE TO OUR GUESTS: Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you're not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

<u>VISION STATEMENT:</u> Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christcentered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR: Tommie Washington

<u>ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION</u>: Del Hume, Tommie Washington, Reg Lee

<u>GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY</u>: Barb Strum & Chris Grebe

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Leah Stenger

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Leah Stenger, Derrick Yates

<u>AS YOU LOOK FORWARD</u> to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost -<u>The First Lesson</u>: Job 38:1-11, <u>The Second Lesson</u>: 2Corinthians 6:1-13, and <u>The Holy Gospel</u>: Mark 4:35-41.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: is "The Open Highway."

The packets for Route 66 contain fun activities and games to help your kids learn all about the books of the Bible, so be sure to check out the digital version in your church email or pick up a packet at the back door. If the packets are gone, see Laura, Darla, or Sue about getting a hard copy.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$6786.00; MTD: \$15,582.00. Improvement Fund: \$25.00; MTD: \$60.00. Attendance: 117. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 3, 1st-5th 8, & 6th-HS 2, Adults 32, Visitors 3, Total 48.

THIS IS THE 29th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Mark 4:34 – "He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything." How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. He has told us all things plainly. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our

fight against sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore, let us receive the Lord's help in His Word and Sacraments — and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.

<u>SEMI-ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS</u>: Please let the office know if you need a 6 month statement.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: this morning to the glory of God and in remembrance of Ray and Darlene Marvel's wedding day, 68 years ago today.

VIEW AND CHEW - No View and Chew.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE PLAYS AT CORNSTOCK THEATER?

How about volunteering to usher there and get to see the play for free? If this appeals to you, contact Al Schneider (309 231-6469) or Barbara O'Dell (309 635-7962) for information on how to be involved!

ORGAN RESTORATION: The organ repairs and cleaning have begun and will continue throughout the next few weeks. Our commitment of \$100,000 has nearly been met by gifts of large and small amounts. We currently have received \$80,200. A new \$5,000 matching funds gift has been given this week. If we receive amounts totaling \$5,000 by the end of June, it will be matched! Thank you to all who bless us with their gifts and Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow!!

<u>CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH</u> has placed high value on Christian education for our children. Christ Lutheran School actually predates the founding of our congregation as it was founded in 1892. The first school building was dedicated in 1896 with 104 pupils enrolled. The current building was built in 1958 and the expansion of our school was completed in 2000. Christ Lutheran School is looking to fill the following teacher openings: **Fifth Grade** (Majority Self-Contained) **8th Grade Algebra** (Part-time) Website: www.clspeoria.org Email: school@clspeoria.org In Christ, Nat Schmidtke, Principal (314) 809-8411

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE BULLETIN NEXT WEEK, JUNE 23RD: Please let me know by Wednesday morning. I will be out of the office Thursday and Friday. Thank you, Angie.

<u>ST JOHN'S GREEN VALLEY IS HOSTING:</u> a free one hour concert by local band, 4 On the Floor. It will be held in the Parish Hall, at 3:00pm, Sunday, June 23rd, followed by an ice cream social. Voluntary free will offering.

FROM THE BOARD OF MINISTRY AND OUTREACH:

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!! For any man here, our gift to you is a "Man of God" card. God bless you as you continue to live for our Lord.

EVERYONE: Please take time to read the MILESTONE insert in the bulletin. We have put envelopes on the offering plate table. If you would want to donate to the purchase of Bibles, or other materials to be given to and used by our young people, please feel free to use an envelope and place it in the offering plate.

Order of Service

Opening Song

"Better is One Day"

Confession and Absolution

The Old Testament Reading Ezekial 17:22-24 p.704

The Epistle Reading 2Corinthians 5:1-10 p. 966

> The Holy Gospel Mark 4:26-34 p. 839

> > Apostles' Creed

Song of the Day

"A Mighty Fortress"

Sermon

2Corinthians 5:1-10 Rev. Karl F Eckhoff

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer Words of Our Lord

Communion Sonas

"The Power of the Cross"

"Lord | Need You"

"Glorious Day"

Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Song "Your Grace is Enough"

Praise Band



As God's family, we have the opportunity to pause at important moments in our journey of faith to celebrate God's work, remember God's faithfulness and pass on faith in Jesus Christ from one generation to the next. We call these meaningful, memorable moments in the lives of individuals, families, and our congregation, the Faith Milestones.

We believe, by the power of the Holy Spirit, that the family has the greatest influence on a child's faith. We also believe the church is called to partner with and equip parents/grandparents to be those primary faith shapers, as intended by God in His Word (Deuteronomy 6).

With that in mind, the Parish Education and Outreach Board is excited to begin two new programs entitled "Faith Milestone" classes. The first Faith Milestone class will be for <u>children who are in 2nd – 7th grade and their</u> <u>parents</u>. The children will receive a full Bible that parents help "customize" with highlighted verses and a special blessing. They will learn how to use their Bible individually and as a family on a regular basis. This will be a <u>two-week class held on consecutive Sunday mornings during the</u> <u>Sunday School hour next fall</u>. Childcare will be provided for those with younger siblings.

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If you would like to support these new programs by helping to purchase the Bibles, books, and supplies, we would welcome your donations! You can make a monetary donation in the envelope marked "Milestone Ministries" found by the offering plates and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you for your interest in, and support of, these new important ministries aimed at helping the parents and children of our congregation!

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