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

HOSPITALIZED:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Cassie Harris, Byron Webb, 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 Vande Voorde, 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), Sheila Sturdivant, Julie Campen, 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 RE-MINDS 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). We will renew prayers when requested.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (SEPT 2nd - SEPT 8th)

MON 9/02:	LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	
TUE 9/03:	Trustees	6:30PM
WED 9/04:	Chapel	10:00AM
	View and Chew	11:30AM
	Adult Choir	6:30PM
THU 9/05:	Day School	4:30PM
	Stew/Finance (via Zoom)	6:00PM
FRI 9/06:	Ladies Bible Study	9:30AM
SAT 9/07:	Parish Ed	9:00AM
SUN 9/08:	Holy Communion	9:00AM
	CLYF Bake Sale	
	Sunday School	10:15AM
	Bible Class	

SEPTEMBER 01, 2024 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture of the Day
Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9, Ephesians 6:10-20,
Mark 7:14-23

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 Christ-centered, 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 **ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION**: Tommie Washington, Kirk Wessler, Luke Grebe

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY: Martha Guppy
ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Dominic Silotto, Abe McIntosh
ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Leah Stenger, Maddie Markovich

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - The First Lesson: Isaiah 35:4-7a, The Second Lesson: James 2:1-10, 14-18, and The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:(24-30) 31-37.

<u>THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY</u>: is "Dolphins." The packets for <u>Finding Jesus Under the Sea</u>, 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: \$5443.00; MTD: \$23,627.82. Improvement Fund: \$10; MTD: \$220.00. Attendance: 130. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 1, 1st-5th 7 & 6th-HS 3, Adults 42, Total 53.

THIS IS THE 40th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Deuteronomy 4:6 - "Keep them and do

them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'" There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us, so all His Word is meant to bless us. We may have to suffer for upholding the Word of God, as St. John the Baptist did. But the cross the Lord has for us to bear will be far better than any we would create for ourselves.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:

<u>VIEW AND CHEW</u> - Wednesday, 11:30-1:00. <u>Please bring your lunch</u>; we'll also have drinks and other snacks available. Please feel free to invite your friends! If you have any questions, please contact Alan White.

LUTHERAN WOMEN OF GREATER PEORIA is sponsoring a Fall Mum Fundraiser in conjunction with Picket Fence Foundation of Chillicothe. The mums come in an 8" pot in assorted colors for \$10. \$25 gift cards for Picket Fence are also available. Deadline to order is today. Mums will be picked up on September 20th at an LWGP meeting by Suzanne Heinz. For more information to order see or call Suzanne at (309)633-0746.

THERE IS POWER IN PRAYER: We know, as Jesus said in Matthew 18:26 "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them". Would you be interested in joining a group that focuses on praying for CLS children, staff and parents? "Mom's in Prayer" (including parents, grandmas, aunts and friends) would be such a group. If you would be interested in getting together for prayer, please talk with JoAnn Reith (309 231-3155).

MEMBERS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN: I want to thank you for all the kind words, well wishes, and gifts last Sunday. To say that you've touched my heart would be a gross understatement. Similar to what Paul stated in Philippians 1:3, I will always give thanks to God every time I think of you. May our Lord be with you all as you continue to do His work in a neighborhood that desperately needs His love. In Christ, David Best

<u>ADULT CHOIR</u> is starting and we need your voice! Join us Wednesdays at 6:30pm starting Sept 4th for fellowship, fun and singing praises. No experience necessary! Any questions, please contact Aimee Traenkenschuh.

BELCHOIR We hope to have our first Bell Choir practice on Monday, September 9th, with more details to come. Please call Linda Von Behren (309-645-2683) or Jan Reinhart (309-303-7176) if you are interested or have questions. Anyone with a little or even no music background is welcome. We are anxious to get started and hope we can add to the group. Please prayerfully consider joining the bell choir where we ring praises to our Lord and Savior.

Order of Service Divine Setting 1

Hymn

"Renew Me, O Eternal Light" (LSB 704)

Confession and Absolution

The Old Testament ReadingDeuteronomy 4:1-2.6-9 p. 148

The Epistle Reading

Ephesians 6:10-20 p. 979

The Holy Gospel

Mark 7:14-23 p. 843

Apostles' Creed

Hymn of the Day

"By Grace I'm Saved" (LSB 566 v.1-3)

Sermon

"How's Your Heart" Mark 7:14-23 Rev. Karl F Eckhoff

Hymn of the Day

"By Grace I'm Saved" (LSB 566 v. 6)

Prayer of the Church The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Distribution Hymns

"Not What These Hands Have Done" (LSB 567) "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread" (LSB 625) "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing" (LSB 691)

Post Communion Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Hymn

"Tell Out, My Soul" (LSB 935 v. 1,3)

Pianist - Aimee Traenkenschuh