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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 anaie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). We will renew prayers when requested.

#### THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (AUG 26th - SEPT 1st)

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MON 8/26:	
TUE 8/27:	
WED 8/28:	Chapel10:00AM
	View and Chew11:30AM
THU 8/29:	Office Closed
FRI 8/30:	Office Closed
	CLS Noon Dismissal
SAT 8/31:	
SUN 9/01:	Holy Communion9:00AM
	LWML Bake Sale
	Sunday School10:15AM
	Bible Class 10:30AM

# **AUGUST 25, 2024**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture of the Day Isaiah 29:11-19, Ephesians 5:22-33 Mark 7:1-13 Vol. 79 August 25, 2024 No. 39
Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

#### 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**: Luke Grebe, Reg Lee, Tommie Washington

**GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY:** Mike & Kathy Lelm **ACOLYTES FOR TODAY**: Kayley Smith, Gracie Smith

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Dominic Silotto, Abe McIntosh

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost - The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9, The Second Lesson: Ephesians 6:10-20, and The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:14-23.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY:** is "New Discoveries." The packets for Unexplored Bible Stories 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: \$5289.00; MTD: \$18,184.82. Improvement Fund: \$150; MTD: \$210.00. Attendance: 135. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 2 &1 visitor, 1st-5th 6 & 6th-HS 0, Adults 41, Total 50.

#### THIS IS THE 39th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** Mark 7:11 – "But you say, 'if a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban" (that is, given to God)." Each one of our vocations, in the home, in the church and in society, has a claim on our resources. The Pharisees thought that they could use the kingdom of God as an excuse to shirk their duty to their parents. But they were wrong. Of course, doing it the other way around would also be wrong. God has called us to be supportive of our families, our churches and our communities each in the proper proportion.

**FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:** to the glory of God and in celebration of Mike and Kathy Lelm's 50th wedding anniversary, on August 24th.

<u>VIEW AND CHEW</u> - Wednesday, 11:30-1:00, Season 4, Episode 8. <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.

**LWML MITES FOR MISSIONS** will be collected at the annex entrance before worship next Sunday. If you need a mite box, a supply will be available. Your ongoing support of our mission efforts is greatly appreciated!

**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 September 1st. 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).

<u>MEDICAL CLOSET:</u> We have MANY items in the Medical Closet for use by anyone who has a need. If you or anyone you know has a need, please check our closet before purchasing any items. Contact Barbara O'Dell 635 7962

<u>JOIN US:</u> after the service, for a reception and card shower to thank David Best for his service, here at Christ Lutheran.

**ADULT CHOIR** 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.

**INFORMATION FOR NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN** will need to be turned in to the office by Wednesday morning. Thank you!

### Order of Service Song

"By Faith/Breathe"

Confession and Absolution

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 29:11-19 p. 590

**The Epistle Reading** Ephesians 5:22-33 p. 978

The Holy Gospel Mark 7:1-13 p. 842

Apostles' Creed Song of the Day

"Man of Sorrows"

#### Sermon

"A Tradition Worth Keeping" Ephesians 5:21-33 Rev. Karl F Eckhoff

Prayer of the Church
The Lord's Prayer
The Words of Our Lord
Distribution Songs

"There Is a Redeemer"
"Sweet Sweet Sound"
"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Post Communion Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Song

"10.000 Reasons"

Praise Band

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