

Making Christ Known

June/July 2018



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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR NIRMALA

There are three types of givers; the flint, the sponge, and the honeycomb. To get anything out of the flint, you have got to hammer it. Then you only get chips and sparks. To get water out of the sponge, you have got to squeeze it. The more you squeeze, the more you get. But the honeycomb simply overflows with sweetness.

When a person understands what God has done for them, you don't have to prime them to give and you don't need ten collections. They understand that He is a great God. In fact, at offering time, we ought to jump to our feet and applaud that we are here to give, have something to give, and have been blessed to have strength enough to work that we might be able to give. We ought to just applaud the privilege of giving.

Apostle Paul talks about the Macedonian Christians who are cheerful givers. Their hearts are filled with thankfulness to God. So they share their blessings with Paul to do his mission. Apostle Paul was so proud of them.

Pastor Steve and myself are proud of serving Christ Lutheran. You are like honeycombs. You share your time, talents, and treasures generously to support the mission of Christ Lutheran.

As summer is approaching, you all will be gone to enjoy your cabins. We pastors encourage you to find a nearby church to worship. We provide once a month summer worship with communion on 3rd Wednesdays of every month. (June 20, July 18, August 15 at 6:30pm)

Thanks again for your generosity.

Pastor Nirmala Reinschmidt

PICTURE DIRECTORIES HAVE ARRIVED!

Christ Lutheran Church picture directories have arrived! If you had your picture taken by Life Touch please stop by and pick up your free copy in the church office, Monday thru Thursday from 9-noon.

SAVE THE DATE! JULY 20TH, 2018

Christ Lutheran Church will be selling food at the Good Neighbor Days Celebration on Friday, July 20th starting at 5PM. We will need many volunteers to take on this task. The money we raise will be put towards replacing our roof! Be looking for a sign up sheet for the shift you can help with. More details will be coming. **Remember July 20th we need volunteers!**

Please contact Randy Holz at 507-475-2620 with questions or if you have communication and publisher experience. God bless and thank you.

2018 SUNDAY MORNING TREATS

To all the families of Christ Lutheran Church: Your help in providing Sunday morning treats is appreciated. Choose a Sunday in each of your assigned months, contact your chair, tell her when you will provide treats, and communicate if you can be a server. We request 3 dozen or a batch of cookies be provided. Leave the treats in the kitchen marked with your name. Each week we use about 15 dozen cookies.

June and Dec ~ DEFG ~ Eileen Dessner 775-6666
Lisa Glasrud 775-6919

July and Jan ~ HIJK ~ June Hart 624-0161
Nancy Hoegh 775-7113



SOLSTICE STOMP 5K “RUNNING FOR A MISSION”

GET OUT THOSE RUNNING SHOES

Solstice Stomp 5K run will be June 23 at 9am and begin at Christ Lutheran parking lot. This race will support the mission trip to Milwaukee. Sign up forms are on the kiosk & can be turned in to the church office. To sign up online, go to:
<https://www.events.runningroom.com/applications/?racelid=15154&eventid=45317&vrindex=3>

Thank you for your support of our youth and their mission trips.

APRIL ATTENDANCE

WORSHIP	2018	2017
Total Attendance	1,556	2,000
Avg Sunday Attendance	311	400

MAY ATTENDANCE

WORSHIP	2018	2017
1st Sunday	333	212
2nd Sunday	333	281
3rd Sunday	263	271
4th Sunday	138	122
Total Attendance	1,067	886
Avg Sunday Attendance	267	222





RIVER OF LIFE NEWS JUNE AND JULY

Parents please consider being a team teacher for the 2018-2019 ROL year! If there are at least 4 teachers for each room then the time commitment will be only 1 or 2 Sunday's per month. Student volunteers are also needed to help out in the classrooms. Let Francine

Kovash know if you would like to volunteer!
Fkovash@hotmail.com or 507-951-2234

RIVER OF LIFE OFFERING

Offering collected during ROL and to the left of the altar in the sanctuary from January through June will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief to assist in the African Drought crisis. July through December offering will go to the Channel One Food Shelf.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

GEORGE JAMSA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Katie and Liz Wild! Both girls will receive a \$250 scholarship. The Worship and Music Committee sincerely thanks these two, talented musicians for all they have contributed to enhance the music worship at Christ Lutheran. We also wish both young ladies the best of luck in their next endeavors!

BRENDA HALLAWAY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Liz Wild

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Katie Wild

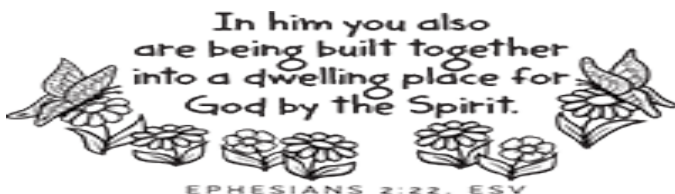


CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES CLASS OF 2018

Hailey Bahr	Drew Bashaw
Melissa Bieber	Hailey Braaten
Lindsey Gauthier	Nathan Gilbertson
McKenzie Hughes	Dawson Ihrke
Maddie Johnson	Makayla Kack
Riley Kraetsch	John Nieman
Kiersten Olson	Alex Prigge
Corey Schoeppner	Mattea Schubert
Ella Vanderpool	Tessa Whitney
Katie Wild	Liz Wild
Brandyn Wolf	

May the Lord guide and bless you!!!

PASTOR NIRMALA would like to thank all of you for participating at my installation service. Thanks again for your cards with encouraging words. Please continue to uphold me in your prayers.



YOUTH COMMITTEE - JUNE AND JULY 2018

Mission Trip

13 students and 2 adult leaders will be traveling to Milwaukee, WI from July 22 – July 27. For anyone going on the trip, information is being distributed via Remind. Text **@clcymt2018** to 81010 to sign up.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

CONFIRMATION – JUNE/JULY 2018

Schedule for the start of 2018-2019 year:

Wednesday, August 29 – Mentor Orientation

Wednesday, September 5 – Student/Parent Orientation

Saturday, September 8 – Mandatory Fall Retreat

Wednesday, September 12 – First Regular Class

Reminder that acolyting duties continue throughout the summer at the 9:00 church service each Sunday.

Contact the church office or Tim Meek (timothymeek@gmail.com) with any questions. Check out the Confirmation site: www.clcbyron.org/confirmation

DELIVERY OF WELCOME BASKETS

Welcome Baskets are going to be distributed to our new neighbors on the 13th of June at 6 pm. If you can help with the project, we appreciate it. Please call the office if you plan to help.

We need 20 loaves of bread. If you bring them on the 10th we will assemble the baskets after the worship service on Sunday the 10th.

GOOD NEIGHBOR DAYS PARADE

The Lawn chair Brigade is back!! We are going to be marching with lawn chairs (those light-weight aluminum ones) again this year. The parade is on Sunday, July 22 at 3:00. We would love to have an even bigger marching group. If anyone is interested in marching or has any questions, please contact me by phone or text (507-951-1165). Our first practice will be Tuesday, June 26 at 7:00 pm in the church parking lot. Other tentative practice dates (all at 7:00) are as follows: June 28, July 2, July 10, July 12, July 16, July 17, and then July 22 after church. Even if you cannot make all these practices, that is okay--we still want you to join us!! We are also looking for light-weight aluminum lawn chairs. If anyone has one they would let us use, please let me know. Thank you. –LuRaye Eischens

BERNE PIZZA WITH PASTOR STEVE ON WED JUNE 27

Leave church parking lot at 6:00. You can travel by motorcycle, car, bicycle, walk, run or fly. Bring your own lawn chair and we will provide soft drinks, glasses, paper plates and silverware. Sign up at church or email Pastor Steve at clcpastorsteve@gmail.com before June 27 with your pizza preference and your commitment of \$10 for pizza and pop for adults, children under 16 \$5. We will send a car early to get the order in so we shouldn't have to wait too long. Free live music every Wednesday night at Berne (West Concord)! Two live bands each night, beginning at 5 pm and 6:30 pm, on the beautiful grounds of Zwingli United Church of Christ. <https://sites.google.com/view/berne-wood-fired-pizza/home>

PICNIC AT OXBOW- Sponsored by Meek and Theobald families at 6pm on Wednesday, July 11. Bring your own meat to grill and a dish to share. We will have a volleyball net up and a campfire going for smores. Meet at the 1st bridge picnic area. RSVP to office@clcbbyron.org

CANOEING AND TUBING

Will be at Camp Victory in August. More details to come! Please let the office know if you are interested in this activity. clcpastorsteve@gmail.com

BE A YOUTH MISSION TRIP SHAREHOLDER

Our goal is to raise \$1,500 (60 shares at \$25 each) to help cover youth and chaperone expenses. You may purchase as many shares as you would like. The cost per youth is about \$500. We hope to keep the family out-of-pocket cost at \$250 per youth.

The Mission Trip youth and families will host a Shareholder Dinner on Sunday, July 29th at 5:30pm. There will be a power point presentation and the youth will share about their experience. Purchase your shares today!

Your form and check can be dropped in the offering plate or left in the church office. Please make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Youth. Information available on the kiosk.

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Mission Trip Shareholder Forms

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of Shares _____ x \$25 per share = \$ _____

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES

The 9:00am summer worship service began on Memorial Day weekend, May 27, and will run through Labor Day weekend, September 2. The 3rd Sunday of each month will be a blended service.

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICES

Summer Wednesday evening communion services will be held at 6:30 on the third Wednesday of each month---June 20, July 18, and August 15. There will also be a Wednesday evening fellowship activity once a month. Check the monthly newsletters and weekly bulletins for dates and activity details.

APRIL MEMORIALS 2018



IN MEMORY OF MILO GATZKE

Undesignated - Kay McKay, Ed & Ann Korbel, Wayne & Diane DePoppe, Family & Friends of Milo

IN MEMORY OF ELAINE SEGARDSON

Sound System-Mary Jo Peterson

IN MEMORY OF WALLACE GRONSETH

Fellowship Remodel-Carol Gronseth, Dave & Linda Grande

IN MEMORY OF JAN STINSON

Fellowship Remodel-Connie & Donna Hoffman, Bob & Jeannette Tweite, Dave & Jeanne Tweite, Angie Greenwood, Shelly, Julie, Mickey Elias. Undesignated-Bonnie Prigge. Memorial Music-Ted & Martha Gehrking.

IN MEMORY OF NANCY CEDERBERG

Memorial Music-Bob & Jeannette Tweite, Ted & Martha Gehrking. Hallaway Scholarship-Dave & Jeanne Tweite.

IN MEMORY OF ISABEL HOEGH

Memorial Music-Ted & Martha Gehrking. Undesignated-Irv & Nancy Nehring. Fellowship Remodel-Larry & Sue Briske.

IN MEMORY OF DELORIS SIMONSON

Hallaway Scholarship-Bob & Jeannette Tweite

IN MEMORY OF LOWELL QUIMBY

Hallaway Scholarship-Dave & Jeanne Tweite

IN MEMORY OF JIM PETERSON

Candelabra Oil-Lois Hjellming. Fellowship Remodel-Mary Jo Peterson, Connie & Donna Hoffman, Josh & Judy Nelson. Undesignated-Dave & Gail Hovey, Carol Gronseth, Wayne Haug, Ruth Stevens, Phil Peterson & Sue Strohschein, Audrey Boysen. IHN-Dave & Jeanne Tweite. Sound System-Sound Tech at CLC.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Its easy to set up electronic giving to Christ Lutheran Church. If you prefer to give by credit or debit card please go to clcb Byron.org and follow directions after clicking on "Online Giving". You will need to create an account with your own password. You can give from your own devices one time, weekly, or monthly. It is managed by a secure third party. If you prefer to give by EFT return the form below to the church office. Call the church office if you have questions. Thanks for giving to the mission of God through Christ Lutheran Church!

Church name:
Your name:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
Email address:

I would like to make the following contribution(s):		Date of first contribution: ___/___/___
General Operating Fund	\$ _____	Frequency of contribution (check one): Weekly – Fridays Semi-monthly – 1st and 15th Monthly on the 1st Monthly on the 15th
Total	\$ _____	

CHECKING / SAVINGS	<i>Complete this section if using your checking or savings account</i>
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Please debit my (check one):

Checking account—attach voided check
 Savings account—attach voided deposit slip

Routing #:	Account #:
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Valid routing # must start with 0,1,2 or 3

I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to the above account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.

Authorized signature: _____ **Date:** / /

MAY 15TH, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING

Call to Order at 6:30

Members Present: Candee Ostreng, Jason Pfeilsticker, Joe Biewer, Randy Holz, Pastor Steve Rheingans, LeAnn Bieber, Ben Johnson, Dave Schlobohm, Kaia Long and Joan Skare

Agenda Approved: Motion made by Candee, 2nd by Randy. All approved none deny

Minutes Approved: Motion by Candee, 2nd by Ben – all approved none deny

Treasurer's Report: by Jason

April 2018 was a good, month ending \$1,912 in the black but actual expense exceeding income year to date by \$10,916

April income: \$32,216.09 YTD Budget: \$112,388.00

April expense: \$30,303.69 YTD Income: \$101,223.90

April difference \$1,912.40 YTD Expense: \$112,139.84

YTD Difference: -\$10,915.94

2017 YTD Difference was \$2,933.77

Good Neighbor Days Fundraiser: A committee has been formed. Volunteers have been signing up to help. Advertising for fundraiser: Candee and LeAnn. Money raised will be used for the new roof.

Building and Grounds Clean up Day: by Dave

Good crew– trimmed bushes and raked. Cleaned inside vents and windows. Left to do are Sunday school windows. Dave suggested a Fall clean up.

Report by Pastor Steve:

Pastor Steve, Pastor Nirmala and Tom Tweite went to Synod Assembly in Mankato: This was the last Assembly for the present Bishop. The focus was Lutherans world wide. Next year's synod assembly will elect a new Bishop.

Adjourned with The Lord's Prayer, motion by Kaia, 2nd by LeAnn

Respectfully submitted by

Joan Skare

FAMILY PROMISE ~ IHN ~ WILL YOU SERVE?

The next host week is June 24 - July 1. Please say yes if you are able when our coordinators contact you to help with driving, fixing and serving meals, and staying overnight.

We need volunteers in every area of our program. Volunteers 18 and over that work directly with families must receive training to allow everyone to know the boundaries when working with the families.

Please contact Bob Brekke (eskyblue@msn.com) He will keep you posted on upcoming trainings. An online recertification may be done easily. It takes less than 30 minutes. We encourage your questions and invite your participation in this program. Please contact any coordinator for further information.

Bob & Karen Brekke	775-6339	Overall Coordinators
Bob Brekke	775-6339	Driver Coordinator
Elaine Meek	775-2061	Meal Coordinator
Hertha Lange	775-6726	Overnight Host Coordinator

STEWARDSHIP TEAM extend their heartfelt thanks to all of you for supporting the mission of Christ Lutheran Church. Due to the weather, our attendance has been down for the past months. Our budget shows that we are \$10,000 behind. We would encourage you to keep up with your pledges/offerings and to sign up for electronic giving. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you
Stewardship team

STEWARDSHIP TEAM is pondering the idea of selling lefse to raise funds for the roof. If you are experts in the field of lefse, please come to the meeting on June 6th at 6.30 p.m. at the church. We would like to hear your thoughts and to make plans.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

We are happy to receive 8 new families who chose Christ Lutheran as their new church home. New member reception is held on June 10th at 9 a.m. worship. Cake and coffee will be offered following the worship in the fellowship hall to honor our new members.

HOME VISITS

Pastor Nirmala would like to get to know the families at Christ Lutheran. If you are interested in a visit from Pastor Nirmala please call her or email her to set up a time.

FIRST SUNDAY PRAYER TIME

On the first Sunday of each month, Pastor Steve will be available for individual prayer and anointing (optional) at the altar railing. Prayers could include physical or emotional healing for yourself or loved ones. Requests at the railing will be kept confidential.

HOME VISITATION MINISTRY

Joan Skare and Joan Prigge are leading a home visitation ministry which may include bringing communion to our homebound members. If you are interested in being on the team, please contact either one of them.

Dennis and DeLorain Schoenfeldt

address in Texas is:
1101 N Turn Creek Dr
Veranda #204
Killen, TX 76543
Telephone: # 507.273.3232



CLC STAFF

Pr. Steve Rheingans	Senior Pastor
Pr. Nirmala Reinschmidt	Pastor
Elaine Meek	Administrative Assistant
Sandy Erickson	Administrative Assistant
Jean Goodman (remote)	Administrative Assistant
Jane Cabaya	Organist, Choir/Bells Director
Sarah Palmer	Praise Team Director
Stephanie Pfaffenbach	Youth Chimes Director
Rose & Dave Gottschalk	Custodians

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Pastor Nirmala Email	clcreinschmidt@gmail.com
Office Email	office@clcbyron.org
Facebook	Christ Lutheran Church

2018 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joe Biewer	President/Personnel/Stewardship
Randy Holz	Vice-President/Stewardship
Jason Pfeilsticker	Treasurer/Endowment/Memorial
Joan Skare	Secretary/Connections-Evangelism
LeAnn Bieber	Connections-Evangelism
Ben Johnson	Education
Stephanie Pfaffenbach	Worship & Music
David Schlobohm	Building & Grounds
Candee Ostreng	Altar
Kaia Long	Stewardship
Aaron Anderson	Youth
Will Holz	Youth

GO GREEN!

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WORSHIP - TRADITIONAL SUNDAYS 9:00AM
WORSHIP - BLENDED 3RD SUNDAYS 9:00AM
WORSHIP/COMMUNION - 3RD WEDNESDAYS 6:30PM

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
MAY 28 THRU AUGUST 30
MONDAY—THURS 9AM-NOON

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

