



As we lean towards August, I hope you/your family have had a refreshing summer. As we get closer to fall schedules my hope is that you are refreshed and renewed every Sunday morning with God's word and an awareness of God's presence and power in your daily life.

Pastor Nirmala preached on Martha and Mary last Sunday and like Martha, it is easy to be distracted by many things. Mary was renewed as she sat at the feet of Jesus. Martha was distracted and burdened by too many things.

There is always one more thing to do. I encourage you to make worship and spending time with God every day a priority. God can fill you with his love and wisdom that you can make a significant impact healing this broken world.

Covid has been disruptive to Sunday school and to worship attendance. Perhaps you have a neighbor or friend who has recently moved into the neighborhood or has gotten out of the habit of worship. I encourage you this fall to invite them to worship and register for Sunday School. Hopefully this fall won't be disrupted by Covid.

After years of talking about fixing the church roof, it's getting attention. The shingles were mostly finished July 15 and are mostly being paid from insurance. They are beginning work on the flat roof now. Thanks to everyone who donated to the roofing fund and all who keep supporting the mission of God through Christ Lutheran Church with your offerings. Our building is an important resource for accomplishing our mission of making Christ known by equipping all ages to lovingly serve God and people.



Pastor Steve

## FALL TIME CHANGES

Beginning Sunday, September 11, worship times will be traditional service at 8:00am, Sunday School at 9:05am - 9:50am, and contemporary service at 10am.

Fall church office hours will be Monday - Thursday from 9am - 3pm starting September 6.



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# EDUCATION/YOUTH

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS - AUGUST** Teachers are needed for the upcoming Sunday school year! 4 teachers for each class would assure team teaching so there would only be a 1-2 Sunday per month commitment for each teacher. No experience is required! It is a fun and rewarding way to learn about the greatness of God alongside the kids. Also, this year the registration fees will be waived for any kids who's parents teach! Please let Francine Kovash know if you are interested! (507) 951-2234 or [fkovash@hotmail.com](mailto:fkovash@hotmail.com)

Rally Sunday for the start of Sunday school will be September 11th at 9:05 am. We will meet in the sanctuary for a short informational meeting and then have a fun carnival to celebrate the start of the year! Sunday school will run from September 11th through May 14th and follows the Byron school calendar. 3 year olds through 6th graders are welcome. Sunday school is from 9:05-9:50 and children 3 years old through 2nd grade are expected to be dropped off and picked up in the classroom with a parent/guardian. Registration forms and class schedules will be in the narthex. -Francine Kovash

**RALLY SUNDAY CARNIVAL** - The education committee is planning a carnival for Rally Sunday on September 11<sup>th</sup> during the regular Sunday School time at 9:05. Volunteers are needed to assist with the carnival. A sign up link will be sent out closer to the date. Please remember to register your children for Sunday School this fall.

**CONFIRMATION NEWS - AUGUST** If you are interested in registering your soon-to-be 7<sup>th</sup> and/or 8<sup>th</sup> graders (2022-2023 school year) please complete the form in the narthex kiosk or: <http://www.clcbyron.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Confirmation-Registration-Forms-2022-2023.pdf>. If you have any questions about confirmation please contact Dani at [esser.danielle@mayo.edu](mailto:esser.danielle@mayo.edu). **Mandatory confirmation retreat at Eagle Bluff on September 10<sup>th</sup>**. -Dani Esser

**YOUTH NEWS - Bible Camp Scholarships** - CLC sponsored 5 kids attending church camp this summer at Camp Omega, Camp Victory, Good Earth Village, and Youth Camp at Lake Geneva. Thank you for supporting our youth!

**2023 Mission Trip** - We have booked 15 spots, 2 adult leader and 13 youth spots to Benton Harbor, MI for the week of June 25-30, 2023. We have 2 months to drop unlimited spots with no financial costs. Please indicate to Pastor Steve or the office, ASAP, if your student is considering this trip. Registration forms on the kiosk and a \$125 deposit will hold your spot.

**VBS -  
Discovery on  
Adventure  
Island - VBS**



is planned for Aug 1-4 from 6-8pm. Registration deadline is July 25. Contact Sherri Biewer if you are willing to teach or help as we are still needing volunteers. Registration forms are on the kiosk or online: <https://www.myvbs.org/clcbyron/>

**Sunday School  
Registration  
Forms -**

Registration forms for the 2022 - 2023 Sunday School year can be found on the kiosk or online

[www.clcbyron.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/2022-2023-Sunday-School-Registration.pdf](http://www.clcbyron.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/2022-2023-Sunday-School-Registration.pdf)



## MISSION TRIP 2022 LAKE TRAVERSE, SD



# EVANGELISM/FELLOWSHIP

## THANK-YOU, THANK-YOU, THANK-YOU...

- \* Family Promise - Dear friends, On behalf of Family Promise Rochester staff, board, current guest families and those residing with us in the future, we would like to extend a very sincere thank you for your donation of \$854.43 in April 2022. Our entire community is stronger when the most vulnerable among us are offered the chance to Thrive!
- \* Harriet Douglas and Family - Thank you CLC for the lovely Easter Basket, and the many prayers that were sent our way. Losing Paul is hard, but Parkinson is an awful disease. Many ups and downs. That was a roller coaster for a long time. And so was the heart disease and having diabetes. Each took their toll. We could have lost him many times, but he'd rally so many times. With your help of prayers gave us more time. Thank you.
- \* Good Earth Village - Friends of CLC, Your gift of \$500 to Good Earth Village helps to create Christian leaders who make this world a better place for all of us. From the smallest personal gesture to leaders on a global stage, our campers and staff are out there making it happen in the example of Jesus, sharing God's love through their kindness and service. We would love to see you at camp this summer. Please consider visiting.
- \* Bev Smith - I would like to thank all the guys and gals at CLC who sent me a birthday card for my 93rd birthday which was the 28th of June. You people are just the very best! And I love you all for your kindness! I have never received so many birthday cards on one day in my life. What a fun surprise! Thanks a million! God bless.
- \* The Building and Grounds Committee would like to thank the following people for helping with the cleanup and beautifying of the playground: Tom VanHeuklom, Jerry Rieser, Howie Eischens, Larry Briske, Jim Ronnenberg, and Lowell Holum. A special thank you to LuRaye Eischens for the cooler of ice cold water on a hot day.
- \* Pastor Nirmala - Thank you to the following people who made the Ice Cream Social a success: Millie Broin, Lowell & Carol Holum, Connie & Donna Hoffman, Sarah & Bethie Johnson, Tom VanHeuklom, Matt & Olivia Petersen, Amy Blank, Sylvia Alberts, Rubie Alberts, Jan Longmuir, Sandy Wilker, Joan Prigge, Carol Meyer, Lisa Collins & family, Larry & Sue Briske, Rhonda Weis, Bob & JoAnn Brooks & Lily, Jerry Rieser, Sherri and Gretta Biewer, Building and Grounds Team, Holly Alsleben, and Paul Swenson. Thanks to the the American Dairy Association for donating ice cream cups, Kwik Trip and Fareway (Byron) for donating ice cream bars.

**DINER'S GROUP** - The Diner's Group will be starting a new year in September. Anyone wanting more information about small groups or wanting to join the Diner's group, contact Gayle Jaben at [bikeclearlake@gmail.com](mailto:bikeclearlake@gmail.com)

**CARD MAKING PARTY WITH CARDS TO SHARE** - Please join us on Thursday, September 8 from 9-2pm in the room off the kitchen to make cards. If you have greeting cards you want to take apart or craft supplies you want to bring that is great, or we will have supplies here for you to use to make more cards. These cards will be used for our birthday card project for members over 90 or for nursing home residents, or you can take some home to use. This activity is open to anyone. We will have snacks. Contact Joan Skare for more information.

**JOY GROUP** - JOY Group will meet on Tuesday, Aug 9 at 10:30am in the fellowship hall. Plans for a fall outing will be planned. Hope to see you all

## GARDEN SHARING TABLE



The Sharing Table has had many goods produced by CLC members and shared. Thank you to all gardeners! The garden production and the variety available on Sharing Table is accelerating each Sunday. The garden bounty is there for anyone to take, use, and enjoy!

**BOOK CLUB** - Book club will begin meeting again on Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 7pm. We will be discussing "The Canterbury Sisters" by Kim Wiley. The books (10 copies) will be in the church office by Sunday, August 7 to pick up and read. Books are collected on Sept. 6 after our discussion. At that time, the next book for our October meeting will be distributed. If you have any questions, please contact Kristie Nelson at: 507-398-9051 or [kjn0312@gmail.com](mailto:kjn0312@gmail.com)

Oct 4 - Educated by Tara Westover

Nov 1 - Dear Edward by Ann Napolitano

Dec 6 - Goodbye, Vitamin by Rachel Khong



# AUGUST CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 9:00am Contemporary Worship	1 6:00pm VBS	2 6:00pm VBS	3 6:00pm VBS	4 6:00pm VBS	5 8:00pm AA	6
7 9:00am Traditional Worship	8 6:30pm Worship & Music Committee 6:30pm Youth Committee	9 10:30am JOY Group 6:30pm Exec.	10	11	12 11:00am Dick Fechter Memorial 8:00pm AA	13
14 9:00am Contemporary Worship	15 7:00pm Altar Committee	16 6:30pm Council	17 5:30pm Education Committee	18	19 8:00pm AA	20
21 9:00am Traditional Worship/ Sonnicksen Baptism	22	23	24	25	26 8:00pm AA	27
28 9:00am Contemporary Worship	29	30	31 7:00pm Confirma- tion Mentor Meeting	1	2 8:00pm AA	3

## Sunday Volunteers - August - September 11, 2022

	Acolyte	Reader	Communion Packets	Hosts	Projector	Offering Counter
Aug 7, 9am	R Hanson, T Sauter	S Bjelland	M Lombard	H & L Eischens	L Brooks	D Bisping, C Meyer
Aug 14, 9am	A Kovash, C Esser	M Cabaya	---	G & C Meyer	C Esser	D Hoffman, J Brooks
Aug 21, 9am	C Boynton, S Buesking	J Carlblom	G Jaben	D Fugleberg, N Heinz	T Meek	J Leonhardt, L Danielski
Aug 28, 9am	L Geerts, L Brooks	L Dickison	---	T & M Gehrking	A Hoerle	C Polzin, C Meyer
Sep 4, 9am	D Oestreich, I Witts	M Gehrking	J Longmuir	P & M Lombard	K Bjelland	J Bird, D Hoffman
Sep 11, 8am	A Newton, N Theobald	L Hanson	---	L More, J Rieser	G Hall	---
Sept 11, 10am	T Sauter, G Zabel	C Fugleberg	---	J Pfeilsticker, B Nickles	O Seifert	D Bisping, L Danielski



# WORSHIP INFORMATION/STEWARDSHIP

## COUNCIL MEETING - JUNE 21, 2022

The CLC council meeting was held on June 21, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Mark Turany.

Members present: Pastor Steve Rheingans, Mark Turany, Joe Biewer, Jason Pfeilsticker, Ben Johnson, Dave Schlobohm, Joan Skare, and Linda Danielski.

Members not present: Candee Ostreng, Kaia Long, Anna Palmer, Naomi Meek, and Allie Petersen.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dave Schlobohm and seconded by Ben Johnson. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Joe Biewer and seconded by Joan Skare.

Jason Pfeilsticker presented the treasurer's report. May 2022 ended \$13,355.25 in the black. Expense exceeds income for the year by \$4,916.33.

A discussion was held about the possibility of resuming the Quarterly listening table. A discussion was also held about eliminating the remaining covid practices. Mark Turany moved that we highly recommend that the Altar Committee start a process to begin up front communion with the option of communion packets in the pews. The motion was seconded by Ben Johnson. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joe Biewer and seconded by Joan Skare. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be July 19th. Respectfully submitted by Linda Danielski, Council Secretary

## CARES ACT STIMULUS

**FUNDING** - Christ Lutheran applied for stimulus funding through Section 2301 of the CARES Act, which allows a credit for retention of employees between March 12, 2020 and December 31, 2020. Our submission was completed by Congregation Consulting Services, for a \$1,500 fee. CLC was awarded a grant of \$19,773.57, which will be applied to the General Fund. As this is a grant, Christ Lutheran will not have to pay any fees, interest, or taxes.

Respectfully Submitted, Jason Pfeilsticker, CLC Treasurer



## ICE CREAM SOCIAL PICTURES



## WORSHIP OPTIONS AT CLC

- In-church worship at 9am with alternating traditional and contemporary styles (communion offered the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month).
- In-car worship on Sunday mornings at 9am in the parking lot on 87.9 on the FM radio (communion offered the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month).
- Watch the Live Streamed service at home using the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAAdS22Tn6Epi6yZqzmNKK2g>

## NON-MEMBER DONATION STATEMENTS OR ENVELOPES

If you are a non-member that gives donations to CLC and would like a donation statement or regular envelopes, please contact the office.

## DONATIONS AND THANK-YOU

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness. Donation options include mailing in a donation to Christ Lutheran Church, 201 Frontage Road NW, Byron, online giving <http://www.clcbyron.org/giving/>, or dropping off a donation during church services or office hours.

## DONATE TO CLC THROUGH YOUR WORKPLACE!

We are now listed with United Way as a 501C3 which means your employer can direct donations to CLC through United Way. Please contact the office with any questions.

## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS - You can direct your Thrivent Choice

Dollars online or call 800-847-4836. When prompted, say "Choice Dollars" and continue with the prompts. Thrivent is no longer sending out emails indicating you have money to direct. We received \$29 in July in Thrivent Choice Dollars.

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## August 2022



### Worship Schedule

9am In Person/In Car Worship  
 Sundays with Traditional/  
 Contemporary Alternating  
 LiveStream Worship  
*Communion is offered the 1st and 3rd  
 Sundays at in person and in car worship*



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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 If you want to volunteer helping others, call Joan Skare.

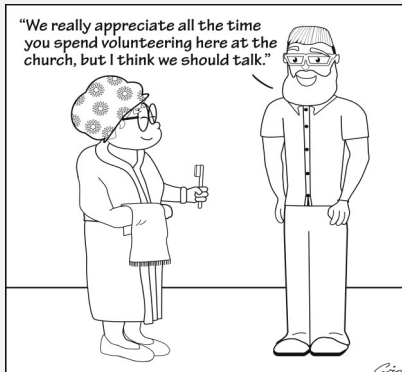
**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** - Please  
 pray for Rob Larson, Honorine (Zip) Jones,  
 Harriet Douglas, Kathy Labat, Don Sotebeer,  
 Darell Carlblom, Dave Hovey, Bob Hoenk,  
 refugees, and families who have lost a loved  
 one due to COVID.

**FAMILY PROMISE ROCHESTER** - To  
 volunteer, use this link:  
[www.fprochestermn.org](http://www.fprochestermn.org)

**SALVATION ARMY FOOD COLLECTION** - CLC collects food in the  
 blue barrel by the front door.

**YOUTH CAR WASH WAS A SUCCESS** - We raised over \$500.

Thanks for supporting our youth!



## ATTENDANCE

JUNE	IN PERSON	IN CAR
6/5/2022	104	0 cars
6/12/2022	105	1 car
6/19/2022	106	0 cars
6/26/2022	127	2 cars

JULY	IN PERSON	IN CAR
7/3/2022	102	0 cars
7/10/2022	135	3 cars
7/17/2022	103	1 car
7/24/2022		
7/31/2022		