



Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

October 7, 2018

WEEKLY FOCUS

**** FUNERAL** – *Sandra Geary* was called to her Savior's side on Saturday, September 22, 2018. Funeral service and Christian burial were held on Monday, October 1.

Edna Kollmar was called to her Savior's side on October 2, 2018. Funeral service and Christian burial were held on Friday, October 5.

**** TODAY WE CELEBRATE LWML** – Since 1942, the LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ, encouraging and equipping Christian women to live out their lives in active mission ministries, and to support missions around the world through their gifts of mites, offerings and service. Christ Lutheran is blessed to have two societies of LWML in their midst. Priscillas which meet the first Tuesday of the month, and Ladies Circle which meets the third Thursday of the month. Both groups have many different activities they do throughout the year. Please check out the table in the Narthex for more information, or to become involved in reaching others with the love of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by LWML)

**** LIFE CHAIN** – Today is National Life Chain Sunday. We invite you to form a chain of people that are opposed to the killing of unborn children. Many people from Northeast Nebraska will be participating with us today to proclaim that abortion is wrong. Please join us at about 1:45 so we can be in place and ready to go when Life Chain officially starts at 2:00 p.m. We will have the signs for you to hold up and they can be picked up in the parking lots of Walgreens, BankFirst, CVS or Michael's Photography. If you cannot stand for the entire hour, please feel free to bring a chair along to use. We will be organizing at the intersection of 13th and Norfolk Avenue and spreading out from there.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m.

District President Rev. Richard Snow will be present to share his thoughts on the congregational Self-Study that we just completed and gives insight into what's next in the Call process for Christ Lutheran as we continue our search for a Director of Ministries. (*A summary of the Self-Study results is included in this Focus.*) Time will also be provided for questions and answers. This meeting is the next important step in the ongoing process for a Pastoral Call. Please plan to attend.

Mission Memo ... Pray for Church Workers Around the World

Rev. Michael Paul and Jen-Yi "Irene" Paul (Rachel, Jonathan and Elizabeth Paul) are missionaries to Taiwan. Formerly, they were missionaries to Macau and Taiwan. After Michael received his doctorate degree at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, he began a Mandarin-speaking Chinese mission congregation in Evansville, Indiana. He is now teaching theology using Mandarin Chinese to theological students in Taiwan. His wife is originally from Taiwan and came to Concordia, Wisconsin, to study special education. While the English-speaking church is comparatively overwhelmed with excellent Lutheran pastors, educational opportunities, and resources, the Chinese-speaking church world-wide has an incredible need for Lutheran theological education and resources. Rev. Paul is thrilled to continue his Call in Taiwan to do whatever he can by God's grace to fill this need. **Please help us support Rev. Paul and Jen-Yi at the Big Mission event November 11 to keep them in the mission field in Taiwan. Tickets can be purchased from an SOS member or in the church office.**

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The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church

Share God's Word – Share His Love – Do It Now!



DIGGING INTO GOD'S WORD ...



BIBLE STUDIES & SUNDAY SCHOOL JUST FOR YOU

BIBLE STUDIES

<i>Adult Bible Study</i>	Pastor Goehmann	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>9-12 High School Study</i>	Heidi Goehmann	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Chapel
<i>Grades 7-8 Bible Study</i>	Bryants	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Rm. 132B



SUNDAY SCHOOL

<i>Parents & 2's</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Christ Lutheran School
<i>Preschoolers</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	
<i>Kindergarten – Gr. 6 & special needs adults</i>	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	

(Please note – the school will remain locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time following the 8:00 service)

** **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** - "Christianity and the Competition" meets in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

** **GRACE LUTHERAN MEN'S BREAKFAST STUDY** will meet Tuesday, October 9, at 7:00 a.m. The group meets every other Tuesday morning at First Choice Catering, 1110 South 9th Street. There is a meal with a freewill offering. All men are invited to attend.

** **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** led by Pastor Goehmann meets every Thursday from 6:45-7:45 a.m. at HyVee West. All men are welcome to attend. Contact Pastor Goehmann for more information.

** **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A "Lutheran?"** meets on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Carretto is leading this study which uses the Catechism as a basis for study.

LIFE QUOTE: "It is our faith that compels us to venerate life from its moment of conception. It is by faith that we treat life not as an entitlement or possession but as a steward for the Creator who gives life. Only by faith do we accept that life at its earliest possible moment has culpability for sin before the Divine Judge and benefits from the sacrifice of our Savior." *Rev. Robert Fleischmann, national director of Christian Life Resources – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



STEPHEN MINISTRY

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Peter 2:9

** **COME CELEBRATE THE JOY OF MISSION WORK** at **The Big Mission Event** scheduled for Sunday, November 11, at Divots Conference Center in Norfolk. The *Big Mission Event*, sponsored by Servants of the Savior of Christ Lutheran Church, Norfolk, begins with a 5:00 p.m. social hour, followed by a tenderloin medallion dinner served at 6:00 p.m. Gary Thies, Mission Development Counselor for Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will be the Master of Ceremonies, with Jana Inglehart, LCMS Missionary in the Dominican Republic as the featured speaker for the evening. The Event also features both a live and silent auction. Tickets are available for a cost of \$50 per person from Christ Lutheran Church, 605 South Fifth Street, Norfolk (371-1210). No tickets will be sold at the door.



GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Christ-Lutheran-Norfolk-Sunday-School/207797372579875>

Please note – School doors are locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time after the 8:00 service.

**** TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** we look at what it means to forgive someone. Forgiveness means to stop feeling angry, resentful or vengeful toward someone who harmed, hurt or offended us. With God's help, Joseph made peace with his brothers, by offering them forgiveness. Forgiveness means intentionally changing our negative attitude and behaviors towards someone and wanting the best for them. It means loving and forgiving them because Jesus loves and forgives us.

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF & HELPERS NEEDED** - We are still in need of some helpers for Sunday School. Please consider helping out. **Many hands make light work.**

- Team teacher for Grades 4 & 6
- 1 Station Helper to lead a 10 – 15 minute activity planned for you.
- Opening Leader – to lead children in a short slide show.
- 1 Couple for Jr. High (7th & 8th grade)

Contact Phyllis Glaser 402-841-3293, if you could help out in any of these areas. Thank You!

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL DONATIONS NEEDED:** This is what we'll need for donations in coming weeks. Can you help?

- people that would be willing to make some cupcakes for Sunday October 21. We need 5 dozen undecorated cupcakes. If you would be willing to make 1 or 2 dozen cupcakes, please call Phyllis Glaser at 402-841-3293. Thanks.

Youthministry	
Communication	
Jr. High & Confirmation	Sr. High Activities
Text 81010 @ChristNo	Text 81010 @ChristNor

**** SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – Junior & Senior High Sunday School classes are studying the Gospel Project – a three year project of the entire Biblical narrative. Exciting! There are occasionally donuts, and always good conversation. Junior High meets in the school, Room 132; Senior High gathers in the Chapel.

**** OCTOBER SENIOR HIGH YOUTH NIGHT** - Sunday, October 14, 5-7:00 p.m. at the Peterson's, 1200 Tara Heights...bonfire, hotdog and potato chip bar, Psalm 46:3, and servant project.

Pies and Butter Braids – Junior & Senior High Youth Fundraiser

The Junior and Senior High Youth are taking orders for a variety of pies and butter braids. The items are scheduled for delivery on November 14, making them a perfect option for your Thanksgiving and/or Christmas celebrations. You can place an order directly with any junior or senior high youth member or by calling the church office. Youth will also be taking orders in the Narthex after worship on October 14, 21, and 28. All orders are due on Monday, October 29 so place your order soon. We appreciate your support and would like to thank you in advance for your on-going support of our youth ministry.

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



Lutheran High Northeast

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**** LHNE SCRIP** Please support Lutheran High and its students by purchasing SCRIP. You can buy SCRIP at the store-front location - Abbey Christian Store during regular business hours (M-F, 9-8; Sat. 9-6) or at LHNE. The LHNE Scrip program is a great way for you to organize your budget and spending, while supporting Christian education at the same time. Before you head to the grocery store, gas station, go out for dinner, or start your next fix-it project, purchase gift cards from the LHNE Scrip program. A percentage of each purchase comes directly back to the students at LHNE. Check out the newest additions to the LHNE Scrip: CVS Pharmacy, Franklin's Bistro, Smokin' Stan's, Taco Johns, Whiskey Creek and Raising Cane's.

**** YOU'RE INVITED! – OPEN HOUSE & PANCAKE FEED** - The students and staff of Lutheran High Northeast would like to invite EVERYONE to our Discover LHNE Open House event on Sunday, October 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This event is open to the entire community. Come take a tour of our building with our student ambassadors or grab a map for a self-guided tour, meet our staff, receive additional information to take home, Our Booster Club will be hosting their annual Pancake Feed and Bake Sale at the same time. We hope to see you on October 14.

**** BUS DRIVER NEEDED** – LHNE is now accepting applicants for bus drivers. All applicants must have a Class B School Bus endorsement. Please contact John Robertson if you are interested at jrobertson@lhne.org or call (402) 379-3040.

**** LHNE MUSIC CONCERT** – The first music concert of the school year will be on Sunday, October 7 at 3:00 p.m. in the Andrews Activity Center of LHNE. Please join us as the students share the skills they are developing with the talent that God has blessed them with.

**** THIS WEEK AT LHNE**

Sunday, 10/7	Music Concert 3 p.m.
Monday, 10/8	Jr. High/JV FB at Clarkson Leigh 4:30/6:00 p.m. Booster Club Meeting 7 p.m. Juniors visit Concordia, Seward
Tuesday, 10/9	Volleyball (home) vs. Columbus Lakeview 5, 6 & 7 p.m.
Friday, 10/12	Football (home) vs. Madison 7 p.m. (Senior Night)

GENEROSITY. WITH FAITH

We are thankful that in the past several years budget deficits have been infrequent. This year, however, we have one. The deficit for the budget year 2017-2018 was \$203,359. Our bylaws require that we attend to any deficit in the autumn of the next budget year.

To that end we will be having announcements regarding the "Generosity, with Faith" campaign during the coming months. The goal is to raise roughly an additional average Sunday's offering each month over the next 10 months. Here's how that looks with an average household offering of \$100 a week.

Splitting up the additional offering over the 10 months between now and the end of June, 2019, would mean putting in 1/4 more than usual each Sunday, or \$125 in every week instead of \$100. While the regular offering would go into the weekly envelope, the extra \$25 would go into the golden envelope included with your contribution envelopes and be labeled "deficit reduction."

Please prayerfully consider "Generosity, with Faith" and help Christ Lutheran move forward in ministry.

A BIG THANK YOU ...

Many thanks to all the parents, teachers, trustees, and congregational members who came out last weekend to help build our playground. It looks great and the children are excited to start playing on it. A special thank you to John Robertson and Kevin Lingenfelter who put untold hours into making things come together. Thank you also to Caterpillar Inc., Love Signs and Carhart Lumber for the use of special equipment. A dedication of the playground is scheduled for October 28 following the 10:45 service. A meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, and sides will be served afterward. Plan on joining us as we celebrate this new addition to the school.

COMMUNITY

**** NORFOLK ZONE FALL LWML EVENT** "In Praise to the Lord" will be Saturday, October 13 at St. John Lutheran Parish Hall, Battle Creek. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the Event starting at 9:00 a.m. Car pool will leave from Christ Lutheran parking lot at 8:00 a.m.

Mission speaker will be Heidi Goehmann sharing about mission work in Haiti. Heidi is a vivacious speaker with a heart for this particular ministry. The ingathering will be a monetary gift to Ministry in Mission, an LCMS recognized service organization in Haiti. Even if someone is not an LWML member, you are welcome to attend.

**** ST. JOHN OCTOBERFEST** – St. John's Lutheran Church and School, rural Columbus, will celebrate their Oktoberfest Sunday and German Dinner on Sunday, October 21, 2018. Serving times are 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12, children 5-10 \$5; and children 4 and under eat free. Located 31 miles south of Norfolk on Highway 81; at the Tarnov corner (385th Street), go 4 miles east and ½ mile north – or 6 ½ miles south of Creston from the corner of Hwy 91 and 205th Avenue. Tickets are available at the door. The worship service begins at 9:30 a.m. that day. For more information call 402-910-1653.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 7, 2018

Please remember the following in prayer during the coming week. You may also want to send a card or note to those on this week's prayer list to let them know they are being thought of.

- For those undergoing cancer treatments; and for their families; including: Brian Beeks, Bobbie Bell, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Roger Frank, Bruce Gardels, Nanette Halverson, Bruce Hansen, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Marvin Herbert, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Sandy Horst, Jason Jackson, Lela Kiepke, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Colet Lierman, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Lisa Murray, Jackie Nelson, Amy Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Jim Roethler, Randy Schultz, Leon Schulz, Nicholle Soukup, Carol Thies, Larry Walker, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Kathy Wolfe, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz.
- For those in care centers, nursing homes, those suffering long-term illness; those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, undergoing surgery, or facing difficult times, including: Elizabeth Ambrose, Hazel Bermel, Mike Brockhaus, Shellie Bretschneider, Robert Daughton, Dianne Deskins, Brendan Gnewuch, Craig Herpy, EllaMae Jensen, Elden Kapels, Jerry Kerkman (brother of Connie Schulz), Steve Long, Marilyn Means, Connie Mock, Donnis Omer, Harlan Prauner, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Jim Siedschlag, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, and a young girl, Taryn, and those undergoing other tests and treatments.
- For Katrina Peabody, recovering from surgery this past week.
- For the family of Edna Kollmar, called to her Savior's side this past week.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more this week including: Gary Schacher (10/7) and Mildred Gaskill (10/9).
- Thanksgiving for 65 years of marriage blessings given to Robert and Gloria Vogel (10/11).
- For Christ Lutheran Church in this time of transition.
- For our military, those who have faithfully served and / or continue to serve.
- For peace in our land and an end to the violence and terrorism.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles.

PRAYER REQUESTS may be made in the Prayer Request book at the north entrance. Please fill out all information completely. Private prayer requests may be placed in the envelope provided for this purpose.

Worship With Us

▪ Sat. – 5:30 p.m.; Sun. – 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

▪ Sunday School & Bible Classes – 9:30 a.m.

Christ Lutheran Church Services are broadcast on Cable Channel 12, Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday ... 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fridays ... 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Pastor Goehmann is often out of the office for home, hospital and other visits. Contact the Church Office for available appointments with pastor.

Church Phones

CHURCH OFFICE 371-1210

CHURCH FAX371-1228

SCHOOL OFFICE371-5536

SCHOOL FAX371-1288

HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE379-3275

Christ Lutheran website: www.clnorfolk.org.

e-mail – use first initial & last name @clnorfolkmail.org

Pastoral Staff

Rev. David Goehmann Pastor

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Starla Landkamer Stephen Ministry Leader

Sarah Moje PreSchool Director

Steve Stortz Principal

Tetsuya Sugita Director of Worship Art

Administrative Staff

Dale Beckmann Business Manager

Starla Landkamer Administrative Assistant

Lynn WalmsleyAdministrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS:, Ellen Glanzer, Bruce Jochen, Katrina Peabody; at Women's Methodist/Omaha – twins Maddox and Merrick Kalin;

If you are admitted to the hospital, you or a family member should contact the Church office with admission information.

Media Ministry

LUTHERAN HOUR – Sun., 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

WJAG 780 AM or 105.9 FM; or KZEN 100.3 F.M. at

9:30 a.m.

ON MAIN STREET – Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Cable TV

DAILY DEVOTIONS www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

* Please Note: The inclusion of items in the *Focus* from outside sources is for informational purposes only. Inclusion of these items does not constitute CLC endorsement

Please call the Church Office to schedule an activity. It is best to call ahead to avoid a conflict in scheduling.

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship / Communed 09/30/18 467 / 373

Bible Class 49

Sunday School / Staff 66 / 19

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Received 09/30/18.....\$19,902

Amount borrowed\$ 80,000

June 2018 Yearend Deficit (\$203,359)

Growing the Future Campaign

Campaign goal (all committed) \$1,200,000

Rec'd towards committed goal as of 09/30 \$1,130,626

Amount paid out on project as of 09/30 ... \$1,181,553

Amount borrowed on project \$ 50,927

Capital Campaign (for Land Acquisition)

Purchase Price \$ 277,000

Early Commitment -100,000

Christ Lutheran School Foundation - 57,000

Previously received offerings - 20,000

Needed & authorized by Voters for

Capital Campaign \$ 100,000

Offerings received for Capital Campaign - 33,715

Amount needed \$ 66,285

This Week's Activities

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45 a.m. WORSHIP

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

3:30 p.m. Finance

6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Class

7:00 p.m. Adult Info Class

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

No events scheduled

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:20 a.m. Chapel

5:15 p.m. Grade 7 & 8 Confirmation

6:00 p.m. Praise Team

7:00 p.m. CHURCH COUNCIL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

No Events Scheduled

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:30 a.m. Bulletin assembly

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

3:00 p.m. Hans / Thies wedding

5:30 p.m. WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00 a.m. WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Night

7:00 p.m. CONGREGATIONAL MEETING