



Christ Lutheran Church & Preschool

This Sunday (July 2) is our monthly collection for Deep Well

The July Bridge 07/01/17

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CELEBRATE JULY!

CLC Youth Summer Mission Camp



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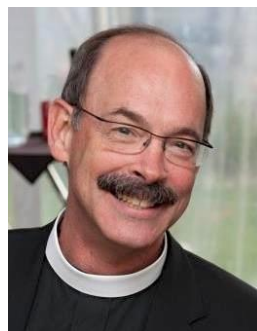
It's almost here! During the week of July 16th, our youth will go on another mission summer trip. Pastor Emil, Silke, many youth of our church and several chaperones will pack up their cars and drive to North Carolina to stay at Lutheridge and work with [ABCCM CRISIS MINISTRY](#) (Asheville, NC).

We will volunteer at the soup kitchen and food pantry and will help with the clothing room.

At Lutheridge, we will have team building activities and hope to go white water rafting!

Please pray for our youth, our mission and this trip. If you feel called to support our travel costs, we will gladly and gratefully accept

Pastor Emil



Pastor's thoughts....

Next in our series of articles discussing the book, [I Am a Church Member](#), we will look at Chapter 4, [I Will Pray for My Church Leaders](#).

Every week, I receive a copy of the prayer list that is sent out by Doug Hammes to our Prayer Ministry Team. I always appreciate that he includes me by name, along with the staff. I always ask for your covering prayer, because I truly need it. I vividly recall my installation service for my first call out of seminary. We had invited clergy from the area to participate. One of the attendees was the priest from the local Greek Orthodox Church. Just before we entered

donations!



Working a garden plot during 2016 mission trip



Raising funds 2017

Congratulations

Celebrating July Birthdays

- 7/1 - Robert Bartolomucci
- 7/3 - Irmgard Drilling
- 7/4 - George Kline & Marilyn Sands
- 7/6 - Bobbie Fetter
- 7/9 - Johnathan DeMaria
- 7/10 - Janet Hicks
- 7/14 - Phyllis Rowe
- 7/17 - Barbara Bethman
- 7/20 - Barbara Kasten
- 7/22 - Emil Klatt & Philip Peter
- 7/25 - Nancy McCleskey
- 7/26 - Ron Livingston
- 7/28 - Laurie Fons
- 7/29 - Ron Julseth
- 7/30 - Dorothy Williams

Celebrating July Anniversaries

- 7/3 - Sam & Nancy McCleskey (19 yrs)
- 7/9 - Dennis & Jennifer Bayer (51 yrs)
- 7/24 - Nolan & Nancy Hanson (25 yrs)
- 7/25 - John & Helen Babbitts (52 yrs)
- 7/26 - Peter & Sheila Strand (37 yrs)

the sanctuary for the professional, he pulled me aside and said, "You are now going to be under constant and specific attack by the Devil because of your work for the Gospel. Be ready for it." At the time, I thought he was a bit whacky. I very quickly learned that he could not have been more right. I see the Devil's work frequently, and I have been directly attacked, just like my friend the priest said would happen. I even wrote my doctoral dissertation on the subject of spiritual warfare!

I feel compelled by God to serve him in his church. I know it is a genuine call, because it's not something I wanted to do, nor do I know why I otherwise continue to put myself, my wife, and my family through it all. I, along with any other clergyperson you know, ask for your ongoing prayers. Know that we look upon each of you as our personal responsibility, and that we are answerable to God for it. We are deeply concerned about your life and your well-being, particularly that of your spiritual life. I take being Christ's representative very seriously. And know that it is a reflection of how much more Christ loves you.

I thought the description at the opening of the chapter of Pastor Mike's day was incredible. I've never had an entire family in a car accident, but I've had to deal with the death of very dear friends in the parish many times, while also dealing with the other issues portrayed in the opening. We go through an incredible array of emotions during a day's work. The scenario presented here is not too far from reality.

Please pray for me, as I pray for each of you and for us as a family. And please pray for Barbara. She is God's gift to me. She is my partner in ministry. Let's also keep our congregation's lay leadership in our prayers. They have taken on great responsibility for no pay, except the joy of serving God and you.

This week's pledge, at the end of Chapter 4, is: *"I will pray for my pastor every day. I understand that the pastor's work is never ending. His days are filled with numerous demands that bring emotional highs and lows. He must deal with critics. He must be a good husband and father. Because my pastor cannot do all things in his own power, I will pray for his strength and his wisdom daily."*

In Christ's Service,
Pastor Emil

If your information is incorrect or not included, please email the Church Office at info@clchhi.com with any corrections.

To Christ Lutheran,
We thank you all so very much for the lovely flowers and card to help us celebrate our 68th wedding anniversary.



Also for all the caring prayers for us both. Our love for Jesus Christ, our family and friends with us each day, brings joy to us both.
Thank You,
Janet & George Kline



If you would like to purchase flowers to grace our altar during worship, please sign up for your desired date on the sheets on the hallway bulletin board (opposite the bathrooms). Be sure to note how you want the dedication to read and whether or not you will be taking the flowers after the 10:30 a.m. service. Cost is \$35. Just place your check in the offering plate and note: *Altar Flowers* on the memo line.



Join us on Sunday, July 30 at 10:00 a.m. for a Combined Service with Holy Communion.

Pete Barbano and Jan Hoaglin will give a brief temple talk about their life-changing work with **Mission of Hope in Malawi, Africa.**

Christ Lutheran has supported this mission work for several years through monetary donations. *[You may give to this ministry at any time, but there will be specific opportunity to earmark donations on the 30th]* This year we will also be sending over baby quilts made by our quilting group and Salvation Bracelets crafted by our youth. The quilts will be used in the crisis nursery and the bracelets will be distributed to children during their Saturday Bible camps. As always, monetary donations are greatly appreciated!

Come hear and see, through slides, what life is like in Malawi. Several CLC members have expressed interest in going to Malawi on a mission trip. It would be wonderful if we could send over a team of individuals. Come, catch the spirit!!!!

CLC Council Corner

Below is a brief recap of our June 20, 2017 Council Meeting: *(note: previous month's approved minutes are available for review on the bulletin board opposite the restrooms outside the sanctuary)*

- Staff and Ministry reports were reviewed and approved.
- Our ministry giving levels remain a concern. Our income is down \$32,000 from our general giving and \$6,000 in loose offerings versus our budgeted income year-to-date. We agreed that we would include a recap of where we stand weekly in our weekly communication update that is sent via email, so the congregation can see where we stand and that we have an issue. (SEE GRAPH BELOW) We also passed a resolution recommended by the A&F Committee to add an extra layer of review and approval on spending requests in an effort to stay within our giving levels.

- The Soup Kitchen appeal is producing good results, having collected over \$1,000 to date. We are blessed to have such a compassionate and giving congregation to help support this important ministry.
- Adult Faith Formation classes will continue over the summer.
- Pastor Emil and Joe Etter recapped their attendance at the South Carolina Synod Assembly in May. Barbara Klatt also attended. The assembly was very well done and we came away impressed with the quality of the Synod leadership as well as the many meaningful ministries that our Synod supports. We felt that the money we send to the Synod is well spent and that we could use more communication with our congregation regarding the Synod's ministries. We found the assembly to be a very productive three days and came away with several ideas that can help us continue to move forward.
- The Wall to the right of the entrance to Heinrichs Hall is cracking. Several large panels need to be removed and replaced. Also water run-off needs to be redirected. Estimated cost of repair is in the range of \$13,000. John Babbitts is checking to see if any of our insurance will cover the damage and continues to get estimates for repair. Once this is accomplished, Council will need to approve this expenditure.
- Pastor recapped new member progress that he has made and we expect several new members to be welcomed in the near future. The Pastor works hard each week in identifying and meeting with potential new members.
- We are beginning our planning process for our year end reports, Council elections, budget preparation and other items of business that will need to be brought before the congregation at our Annual Meeting this winter.
- Updates were reviewed on our two major priorities of Member Involvement and Communication.

Joe Etter, Council President

CLC Ministry Spending Plan



(as of 6/25/17)

Returning of Gifts (giving)
vs
2017 Ministry Spending Plan (budget)

The Church Council would like for us to get a better picture of our financial status, so our treasurer, Ron Julseth, has submitted a bar graph as a way of reporting on our status. We will try to have this available on a weekly basis. As you can see, we are significantly behind in our Returning of Gifts (*giving*) as compared to our Ministry Spending Plan (*budget*). Council appreciates that we as a congregation cannot fix a problem if we don't know there is a problem in the first place.

We all approved the Ministry Spending Plan. That became our promise and commitment to see that we meet this plan. Please consider where you are in your own plan of returning to God what is God's in the first place. If you are absent on a Sunday, or are otherwise behind in fulfilling your commitment you made with God, please make it up. For those who have escaped the humidity and tourist traffic of Hilton Head and are spending months up north, if you want to come back in the fall and find a healthy, ministering, worshipping CLC, please remember us in your returning of gifts (*giving*) throughout the summer!

CLC Preschool

Our summer camp is in full swing, yet we have several spots still open for this Monday, Wednesday, Friday program. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the preschool at (843) 785-6570.

CLC Ministry Teams at Work in our Community

LOCAL MISSION: HABITAT for HUMANITY Build

The walls have been raised on our **Habitat for Humanity house**, and soon it will be our turn to supply workers. Volunteers work from 8-12, and all tools and instructions are provided. **We would like to gather a pool of names of volunteers for future work dates this summer and beyond.** If you can help, please contact John Babbitts. (843) 341-2465 or jhb725@ptd.net
There is paper work that needs to be filled out beforehand.



LOCAL MISSION:

ST. JAMES SOUP KITCHEN - EVERY THURSDAY AT 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

We **need extra help** more than ever. On average, the kitchen serves **125 meals** every Thursday at lunch and **funds are running low!**

As a summer **community outreach project**, we are collecting monetary donations in addition to the cookies and fruit we currently provide. Please help us help them keep their doors open to serve the less fortunate in our community. If you could share your pocket change, it can make a big difference for this ministry effort. **A SOUP KETTLE FOR YOUR DONATIONS IS ON THE MINISTRY TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.**



If you are interested in volunteering this summer (June-August) or simply want more information **Please Contact Alice Graeb -- 740-298-1086 -- or mark your ATTENDANCE SLIP and Alice will get in touch with you at the number you list.**

LOCAL MISSION: DEEP WELL - This Sunday is collection Sunday



"Helping our neighbors in need by providing basic assistance in emergency situations."

The Deep Well Project gratefully thanks Christ Lutheran Church for its steadfast support of the Deep Well mission over the years. Stop Janet Kline sometime when she is at the 10:30 service and have her share a Deep Well story with you. Janet was a "sidekick" assistant to Miss Charlotte, Charlotte Heinrichs of Heinrichs Hall fame, back when the two of them made school and home visits as part of their public health nursing endeavors on Hilton Head Island in the early 1970's. It is truly amazing how the missions of Deep Well have evolved since the late 1960's when it was just a program to bring deep water wells and parasite free water to Islanders.

Summer brings the expected rise in food requests from Deep Well clients, most often because children are home from school and do not receive meals from their schools. The food pantry desperately needs **JELLY and SPAGHETTI / PASTA SAUCE**. Please consider purchasing these particular items when doing your personal grocery shopping in the next few weeks. Bring them to church and place them in the blue wagon in the Narthex. Please know **any** donation is welcome **any** Sunday; the wagon gets emptied periodically throughout any given month. Contact Chris Wilcox at 843-342-9711 with any questions.

Specific needs include:

Chef Boy-ar-dee products
spaghetti sauce
white rice
rice mix sides
flour (1 & 2 lb bags)
sugar (1 & 2 lb bags)
corn muffin mix

jelly
vegetable oil
Ensure plus nutrition
bottles
ketchup
mustard
salad dressing

toothbrushes
toothpaste
shampoo
deodorant
disposable razors
paper towels
baby wipes
dish washing soap

***Thank you CLC members who regularly contribute items to the blue wagon!
Your continuing donations are so appreciated.
Let's fill up the blue wagon in the narthex!
The next CLC collection THIS Sunday (July 2)***

LOCAL MISSION: FAMILY PROMISE - Setting up for August



Family Promise®

We are making plans now for our Family Promise guests who will be with us August 20-27. There are many ways that you can help, and we will have a sign-up in the Narthex very soon.

We will need some supplies, food items for breakfasts, and prepared dinners, plus overnight hosts. Please consider helping us as we reach out to some of our most vulnerable island residents and their children. Questions? Call Leslie Heavener at 843-363-5789.

CLC Faith Formation

Faith Formation for children (K to 5th) & Faith Formation for youth (6th to 12th grade)
NO classes during the summer, **2017 Summer Mission Trip from July 16 to 21, 2017**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION - every Sunday at 9:45 in Heinrichs Hall. We follow a series published by Augsburg Fortress. You can join in at any time. Coffee and bites available as well. Hope to see you there!

CLC Fellowship

MARK YOUR CALENDAR !

- SUNDAY, JULY 30 -

FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

following our 10:00 a.m. Combined Service

We will enjoy a meal together
as our youth fill us in on their adventures
during their summer Mission Trip!



Fellowship
Brunch

CLC Book Club - SUMMER BREAK - why not join us on September 16, 2017?

The CLC Women's Book Club is on summer hiatus; the group resumes its meeting on Saturday, September 16. At that time we will discuss **The Girl Who Wrote in Silk** by Kelli Estes, a debut novel of 2 women determined to do the right thing and how a small item can hold centuries of secrets. A great read! Watch for further details in the next few weeks.

In the meantime, we are catching up with our other "must read" books. As a group, we welcome not only our permanent island resident members but also our seasonal/part time island resident members. If that is your situation, please consider joining our engaging group. Give Chris Wilcox a call at 843-342-9711 or an email at christineewilcox@aol.com.

As an aside we do read non-fiction books; the following are 2 books you might consider reading in your spare time this summer. They are on our "Additional Reading" list and are timely to our country's current socio-economic situation.

1. **Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis** by J.D. Vance. (an account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class).
2. **Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City** by Matthew Desmond (award winning book, takes readers into the poorest neighborhoods of Milwaukee to tell the stories of 8 families).

CLC Prayer List

God provides answers to our prayers.

Please pray for :

- **Patty Wasson, recovering from surgery**
- **John "Bud" Ehlers, cancer**
- **Ed Davis, treatment for cancer**
- **Lila Kozlowski (great-grandaughter of Kasten's) recuperating from surgery**
- **Jane Williamson, failing health**
- **Lenora Weinig, lung cancer**
- **Susie Ruth (sister of Paulette Stefanik), Cancer**
- **Kolten Foster, (Lori Maurer's grandson) 9 mo. old diagnosed with cancer**
- **Gail Murray (daughter of DJ Murray)**
- **Gary Gregory (son of Lois Gregory)**
- **Donna Putrino**
- **Frank Conder**
- **ALL service personnel**



*Please use the Blue Cards in the Pew Racks to forward a prayer concern
or update to the office*

Events Happening at CLC

Sunday 7/2	8:30 a.m.	Blended Worship Service
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
		Adult Faith Formation Class
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
Tuesday 7/4	<i>ALL DAY</i>	<i>HOLIDAY - Church Office Closed</i>
Wednesday 7/5	12:30 p.m.	Admin. & Finance Ministry Team
	1:00 p.m.	Women's AA group
Thursday 7/6	Noon	Soup Kitchen
Friday 7/7	<i>ALL DAY</i>	<i>Church Office Closed</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Friday Night AA Group

