
The Messenger

Christ Lutheran Church, LCMC



God
gave
us the

courage to declare
his *Good News*
to you boldly.

1 THESSALONIANS 2:2, NLT

October 2017

HOW MANY PEOPLE READ THE NEWSLETTER?

September was a wonderful month for Christ Lutheran Church and for many of us.



We had a fabulous Rally Day worship and Ribfest. We had about 120 people stay and enjoy fellowship and ribs. What a great meal, thanks to our cooks and servers.

That was followed by many hard working hands and great fellowship doing the Annual Rummage Sale. The rummage sale raised over \$3,500 for the CLW and was a great help to many people looking for things.

The Love Out Loud Concert was a blessing to over 700 people. Jason Gray, David Dunn, and the Afters. They were very down to earth, shared a great message and great music. They also lifted up Prison Fellowship and connected with 17 families in the crowd to adopt children whose parents were in prison. That means \$7,000 will be going towards Prison Fellowship. Thanks to Mission & Outreach for this wonderful experience for many people. God is planting seeds that will give growth.

In October, we look forward to Reformation Day and Confirmation day for five of our youth on October 29. We are also in the middle of a study on Luther and will recognize what the 95 Theses meant 500 years ago and today. Please join us for our Sunday Adult Discussions on Luther and the Reformation at 10:30 am.

We are doing a Wednesday evening study for everyone at 6:30 to 7:20 pm on how the Reformation helps us read the Bible and to allow faith freedom to grow in our lives. Please join us.

***September 27-Continuation of Lesson one the Priority of Grace, God loves You!**

***October 4-The Re-Establishment of God's Word. Good seed always bears good fruit!**

***October 11-The Freedom of a Christian and Direct Access to God. The Holy Spirit is For You!**

***October 25-Life Does Not Make Sense! The Reality of the Two Kingdoms. Snowballing your Trust in God!**

***November 1-The Voice of Lutherans in the Whole Christian Church today. The Truth will set you free.**

I sincerely hope you will step out and join us. It takes a fresh change of mind to come and a new form of energy and willingness, but maybe it will yield very good results. I pray that you do.

Pastor Ron Boettner

September COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



- *New council members are needed for a 3 year term starting in January 2018.
- *CLW had a successful 2017 Rummage Sale.
- *Pastor Ron, President Brad Sim, Molly Sartor and Val Homuth will be representing Christ Lutheran at the 2017 LCMC Conference which will be held in Minneapolis in October.
- *Thank you to Kayla for being a council member. She is moving to Wisconsin.
- *The Cemetery Committee Board consists of Skip Flatten, Doug Jerde, Denny Grenell, Jean Flatten, Skye Heupel, and Sarah Grenell. Thank you for your service.

The 17th Annual LCMC Gathering

This years annual gathering of the Lutheran Churches in Mission For Christ is in Minneapolis at the Hilton, October 8-11. Our two delegates are President Brad Sim and CLW Council Member Val Homuth, Pastor Ron Boettner and Youth Director Molly Sartor will also be attending. The conversations will be about the LCMC and its growth but also about three themes for celebrating the 500th anniversary of the 95 Theses of Martin Luther. One is Justification, Two is The Doctrine of the Two Kingdoms, and Three, the Priesthood of All Believers.

Some of you volunteered during the summer to be a volunteer to help with greeting, selling items at tables for the LCMC, ushering, and the like. If you would like to be a volunteer, most shifts are just a few hours, please email me and I will give you the email for the sign-up genie.

Thanks

Pastor Ron Boettner

Financial Update for Christ Lutheran

Please take time to Read!!!



Our latest financial report to the church council shows we have received \$147,164 for January thru August. In 2016 our giving thru August was \$181,000. In our giving for the year we had hoped, we would be at \$187,000 thru August. Though many of our weekly reports in the bulletin have been very good recently, but there were many weeks last winter and this summer where we fell short. Up through June our expenses were lower than usual, and we were keeping up. As we go through the year the expenses have overtaken our giving, we are currently \$18,000 to \$21,000 in the red. Our proposed expenses for the year in the budget are \$190,080, we have spent \$169,000.

We set a goal of \$280,000 in offerings for the year. The congregation and the church council has focused on what our mission is and doing it, but we can only keep doing that if the funds are available. As a congregation trying to rebuild and renew itself, it is a long haul. It is not something that we can change quickly. We continue to pray and seek that God will provide what God desires us to have, and we pray for your partnership to support the ministries of Christ Lutheran Church.

From Pastor Ron Boettner

October Benevolence-*The Dwelling Place*

The Dwelling Place is a Christian ministry providing healing and hope to victims of domestic abuse through supportive services and a safe place to call home.

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The Dwelling Place provides transitional housing for up to 12-18 months to women and their children escaping abuse. This length of time is necessary to allow women to focus on accomplishing their goals by engaging in the programs The Dwelling Place offers. Our programs assist women in ending the generational cycle of violence and equip them to live empowered successful lives supporting themselves and their children.

The Dwelling Place offers support in many ways through counseling, education and assistance. The Dwelling Place also works to be a catalyst for change in the community. They provide education about the dynamics of abuse and the effect it has on the community.

Presentations are given at:

- Churches
- Local Businesses
- Women's Ministry Groups
- Colleges

Community Service and Civic organizations

The backbone of The Dwelling Place is their volunteer program. Volunteers assist The Dwelling Place in every area of operation. Without volunteers, The Dwelling Place would not have their current facilities or many of the vital support services that they offer to their residents.

Month	Name	Term	Committee Assignment
January	Danielle Thomas	15-17	Mission & Outreach
February	Karen Pennaz	15-17	Youth
March	Tom Zulkosky	17-20	Property
April	Greg Rietow	16-18	Worship & Music
May	Dale KenKnight	17-20	VP Staff Support Cemetery
June	Val Homuth	16-18	CLW Benevolence Endowment
July	Kayla Dudzinski	16-18	Secretary Furnishings
August	Yvonne Breeschoten	15-17	Anchored in Christ
September	Brad Sim	16-18	President Staff Support
October	Angie Petersen	16-18	Adult Ed
November	Mark Mundahl	17-20	Finance Staff Support
December	Renee Burrows	15-17	Thank You's Benevolence
	Molly Sartor Youth Director		
	Pastor Ron Boettner Pastor		

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Silent Auction						
9am - Worship 10am - Coffee 10:30am - Adult Ed 10:30am - Anchored 10:30am - Good Life	9am - Quilters		6pm - Confirmation 6:30pm - Luther 6:30pm - Youth 7:30pm - Choir	9:15am - Charis	OFFICE CLOSED	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Silent Auction						
9am - Worship 10am - Coffee 10:30am - Adult Ed 10:30am - Anchored 10:30am - Good Life 	Columbus Day 9am - Quilters		5pm - M.A.G. 6pm - Confirmation 6:30pm - Luther 6:30pm - Youth 7:30pm - Choir	9:15am - Charis 6pm - Pre-Council	OFFICE CLOSED 6:30am 	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
9am - Worship 10am - Coffee 10:30am - Adult Ed 10:30am - Anchored 10:30am - Good Life	9am - Quilters	7pm - CLW Annual	5pm - M.A.G. 6pm - Confirmation 6:30pm - Luther 6:30pm - Youth 7:30pm - Choir	9:15am - Charis	OFFICE CLOSED 6:30am 	1pm - Norma's 90th 
29	30	31				
9am - CONFIRMATI 9am - Worship 10am - Coffee 10:30am - Adult Ed 10:30am - Anchored 10:30am - Good Life	9am - Quilters	Halloween 6pm-Luther Party				



CLC VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

2017

Date	Time	Greeters	Lector	Coffee
10/1	9am	C. Johnsons	Renee Burrows	Heilmans/ Klinkners
10/8	9am	Ben Andersons	Dennis Johnson	Holms/ M. Rönkvist
10/15	9am	Holms	Dale Anderson	Carsons/ Woods
10/22	9am	Klinkners	Huck Burrows	<i>Will You Serve?</i>
10/29	9am	Olsons	De Anderson	H. Petersons

Council Representative: Angie Petersen

Sunshine Caller: Yvonne Breeschoten

Altar Guild: Jean Flatten, Pat Mundahl

Ushers: Howard Peterson, Arne Holm,
Gene Couser, Heilman Family





Hey there, friends!

I pray that you are doing well! It has been a busy month and it feels so good to have almost all of our programs up and running! Yay!

We have so many fun activities and events in store for all of our youth and I am so excited to be able to share those with you as time continues to pass. After the Love Out Loud concert this last weekend, the youth brought in \$328.45 to go towards the youth account! Praise God! What a beautiful day it was to join together and lift our hands and all of our praise up to Jesus. May our praise be never-ending.

Here are a few things to keep in mind moving forward:

PLANET WISDOM: We are planning to go to Planet Wisdom December 1-2. Kids grades 6-12 are able to attend this conference. It is at Grace Church in Eden Prairie. We leave for it after school on that Friday and then will head back to Maple Plain Community Church for a lock in with the other youth group. Then the next morning we will head over to Grace Church again for lots of fun! I need to know who is able to go by October 11 so that I can order tickets for us all. Please let me know if your child is able to go. Also, if you want to come with us, you are so welcome to!

CONFIRMATION RETREAT: Inspiration Point is offering confirmation retreats on March 9-11 and on March 16-18. This is a mandatory retreat for those in confirmation. Please let me know which dates work better for you. If you are not able to attend either of these retreats, talk to me and we can figure something out. The cost of the retreat is \$100.

VOLUNTEERS FOR WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: We are in need of having one “chaperone” for Wednesday youth evenings. If you are able to volunteer your time to hang out with me and some pretty amazing kids, reach out to me. We would be honored to have you join us!

October Events to put in your Calendar

***Sunday, October 1**

Anchored in Christ @10:15-11:00

The Good Life @ 10:30-11:15

***Wednesday, October 4**

Confirmation @ 6 p.m.

Youth Group @ 6:30-8 p.m.

***Sunday, October 8**

Anchored in Christ @10:15-11:00

The Good Life @ 10:30-11:15

***Wednesday, October 11**

M.A.G @ Molly's @ 5 p.m. (I'll give you my address)

Confirmation @ Molly's @ 6 p.m.

Youth Group Fall Party @ Molly's @ 6:30-8:30

***Saturday, October 14** = apple orchard with Molly! (time to be determined)

***Sunday, October 15**

Anchored in Christ @10:15-11:00

The Good Life @ 10:30-11:15

***Wednesday, October 18** (Week of MEA)

NO PROGRAMING

***Sunday, October 22**

Honey Sunday Fundraiser (More information coming about this)

Anchored in Christ @10:15-11:00

The Good Life @ 10:30-11:15

***Wednesday, October 25**

M.A.G. @ 5 p.m.

Confirmation @ 6 p.m.

Youth Group @ 6:30-8 p.m.

***Sunday, October 29**

Anchored in Christ @10:15-11

The Good Life @ 10:30-11:15



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*Please reach out if you have any questions, concerns, or prayer requests. I'm blessed to know you all!
You bring so much sunshine to my life. Thanks for sharing your wonderful children with me.*

Live Loved,

Molly

CHRIST LUTHERAN WOMEN – OCTOBER, 2017

CLW MISSION STATEMENT:

We open our hearts to God, by worshiping and hearing His word.

We serve Him and worship in work, by extending our hospitality to others and sharing His word.

ALL THE WOMEN OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH ARE MEMBERS OF CLW.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US, YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO OUR FALL RUMMAGE SALE. We are grateful to all who donated and purchased items, and to the many wonderful people who gave of their time and energy to set up, work, provide food and clean up. It is because of you that we are able to continue our benevolence ministries.

Our **FALL RAFFLE** continues through October 15. A \$2.00 ticket gives you a chance to win your choice of a beautiful hand-crafted quilt, a \$75.00 gift certificate to Axel's Tavern in Loretto, a \$50.00 gift card to Holiday Station Stores, or a \$50.00 gift card to UFC Farm Supply. The winning tickets will be drawn at the close of our Silent Auction, at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Sunday, October 15. Tickets will be on sale on Sunday mornings. Thank you for your generous support.

Our **SILENT AUCTION** begins on Sunday, October 1, and continues until approximately 10:20 a.m., on Sunday, October 15, when the high bidders will be able to collect their treasures!

CLW will hold its **Annual Meeting and Election of New Officers** at 7:00 p.m., on **Tuesday, October 24**. We are currently accepting nominations for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. If you are interested in serving, or would like to nominate someone, please enter the name(s) on the nomination sheets on our CLW bulletin board, located in the hallway outside the kitchen. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Annual Silent Auction: Sunday, October 1, until Sunday, October 15.

CLW Annual Meeting: 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 24.

Lutefisk Lunch for ages 65+: 12:00 noon on Wednesday December 6.

Lucia Christmas Tea: 2:00-4:00 p.m., on Saturday, December 9.

Your Sisters in Christ,

Val Homuth & Marilyn Rönnkvist, Co-Presidents

October is Clergy Appreciation Month. We will be celebrating during the October 8th church service. Join us during fellowship time for yogurt/fruit parfaits.

This is a time to honor not only Pastor and Karleen, but our entire staff and their families for the hard work, sacrificial dedication and multiple blessings they provide CLC.

God has entrusted them with a precious assignment - the spiritual well being of His flock. That's why God instructed us to recognize His servants....

"The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching." 1 Timothy 5:17

Of course, our staff should be appreciated year round. How?

- Pray for them. The greatest gift you can give is to pray.
- Imitate them. Jesus is the only perfect one but we should learn and put into practice the faith we see displayed in them.
- Help them love their families. Do not put expectations on them that would cause them to neglect their families.

Pastor, in particular, never clocks out. He is a Pastor all the time. Let's support, love and encourage him and every member of the staff that support him in faithfully fulfilling all the ministries at Christ Lutheran Church.

Contact Karen Pennaz to learn more about the plans to celebrate on October 8th and how you can be involved. And, please, for all of October, think of thoughtful things that you can do to know they are appreciated — cards, gifts, cookies/pies, balloons, posters, hugs, flowers..... Get creative. Let's celebrate having a full, phenomenal staff at CLC!

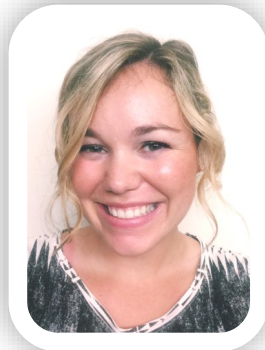
Karen Pennaz



Ron & Karleen Boettner



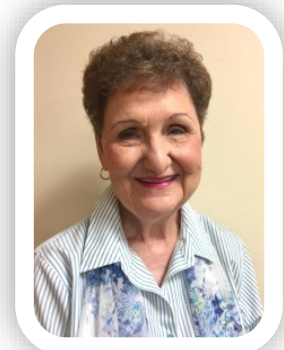
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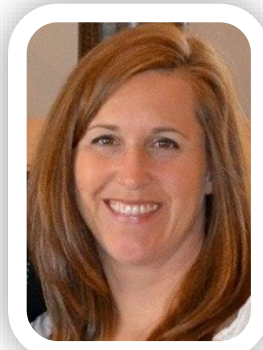
Molly Sartor
Youth Director



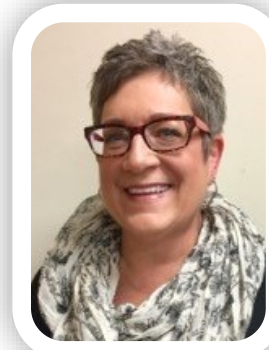
Hannah Schendel
Choir/Bell choir Director



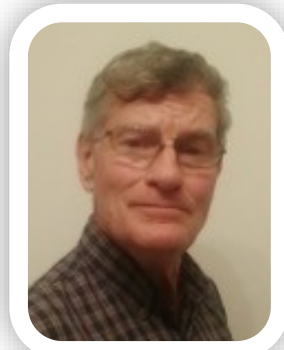
Joan Murphy
Keyboardist



Tami Greenwood
Office Admin



Shawn Stout
Office Admin



Bob Tesarek
Custodian

LOVE OUT LOUD

MUSICFEST 2017!

The word of God was spread all throughout Maple Plain and beyond with all who attended from near and far at the 2017 Love Out Loud Concert, featuring The Afters, Jason Gray and David Dunn! You could literally just feel the Spirit flowing over the crowd, with the music and testimonies of these incredible artists.

The counting/estimate is at least 800 people were in attendance! Oh if we could know about all of the seeds that were planted, the spirits that were stirred, and relationships with Jesus that were started or strengthened! Our Facebook site had over 200 likes and 2000 visitors. Our free face-painting never had a line less than 5 deep, soooo many kids and smiles! The Bouncy House was never empty.

The Live on Forever Tour's main sponsor is the Prison Fellowship Ministry. The call was made about this ministry while Jason Gray highlighted it. There were 17 Sponsorships that were signed up for/completed during the concert by those in attendance! That comes out to over \$7000 for their ministry which was a great success.

The ladies from the Maple Plain Historical Society were able to raise almost \$500 selling ice cream! They are trying to raise approximately \$30,000 to construct a new building for their museum (replica of old). See Joann Ree for more on their efforts.

The Christ Lutheran Youth raised approximately \$325 selling water and pop. Yeah Youth!

We are so thankful to God for the Love and Guidance throughout this Mission. At times it has been overwhelming, and we have been able to see His hand on the wheel.

*The Mission and Outreach has numerous people to thank for helping make this concert a possibility and an overwhelming success. **Thank You!***

- Church Council for your willingness to support this mission
- Pastor Ron for your faithful listening to God's direction
- Our Church members who donated to and sponsored the event
- Our Corporate sponsors for their sponsorships
- All of the Volunteers it took to make this event possible. There are too many to list, but all who helped know who they are. We are so grateful for God to move you, and to use your time and talents in this Mission. We had numerous volunteers helping set up the tents and parking areas, 12 stage hands, 8 merchandise vendors, 6 prison fellowship attendants, Molly and many youth at the water booth and helping with errands, parking and other details, the ladies helping the caterer in the church, 6 greeters at our two different entrance gates, 2 drivers for the bands. Thanks also to those who brought tents, generators, drove errands to pick up supplies, and handed out fliers on doors, ad boxes, and vehicles in parking lots.
- My sincere thanks to our committee members for their tireless efforts. Ron Boettner, Deb Stueven, Gary Stueven, Danielle Thomas, Shawn Petersen and Elliot Anderson

Sincerely - Ben Anderson, Mission and Outreach



LOVE OUT LOUD MUSICFEST 2017!





CHARIS WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Encounter the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Come along for a study through Genesis - the Book of Beginnings. Discover God's pursuit of relationship with man, and marvel as His plan to bless all people unfolds.


Full of twists and turns, ruin and redemption, revelation and mystery, this in-depth study of Genesis 12-50 will keep you captivated by the God who stars in it.

Join women of all ages and Bible Study backgrounds as we gather at the church **Thursdays @ 9:15 am** to begin this great adventure. **Thursday 9/28, we meet at a different location-please call the office.**

This is an 11 week course; the Beth Moore workbook costs \$15.99. Questions? Call Kathy Oman OR Joan Murphy


A Fundraiser

Featuring the one, the only
Bob Stromberg



HAVEN HOMES COMEDY NIGHT

Thursday, Oct. 26
7:00 PM
Maple Plain
Community Church
1815 Budd Ave N
Maple Plain, MN 55359



To purchase tickets please go online to:
www.HavenHomesOfMaplePlain.org/comedy

***Haven Homes
Comedy Night!***

Thursday, October 26

At 7pm

**Call Megan Tucker @
952-259-4471 to
reserve your tickets**



Baptism: Sept. 17-Declan Heupel

Funeral: Sept. 28-Ella Dokken

You are invited to a 90th Birthday Party for Norma Drawert on Saturday, October 28 Here at the church-from 1-3:30pm. No gifts-just cards, please. We will sing 'Happy Birthday' at 2pm!



Wish Norma Drawert a "Happy Birthday!"

Tami and Bill Greenwood are performing at Blackwater Café in Maple Plain Friday, Nov. 9th from 7-9pm. You're all welcome!



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From a worship bulletin:

our Father, who art in heaven
Hollowed be thy name
thy kingdom come thy will be done
Is nothing *hallowed* anymore?

~~oops!~~

From a worship bulletin in Knoxville, Tennessee:

October 31
Welcome to Our Reformatin Service
Thanks to our brass quartet for the speci
This typo probably sparked a proofreading *reformation*.

~~oops!~~

From a worship bulletin in Sycamore, Georgia:

sermon pynny, #474
Offertory Medication
Anostles' Creed

Sounds like these worshipers need a prescription for *meditation*.

~~oops!~~

From a church newsletter:

holiday concert tickets on sale!
Reserve seats now; a big crowd is expected.
Cost is only \$5 per person.
This is sure to be an interesting *crowd*.



Your "Food Shelf" Shopping List

mayonnaise



paper towels



salad dressings



Kleenex



boxed meals



toiletries



Mac & Cheese



shampoo & conditioner



cold cereals



Boxed pasta



baking mixes



ALWAYS NEEDED:
Grocery bags
for clients food!

Coffee Fellowship following worship

Worship: Sunday 9:00am

www.mpcl.org

Office Hours-M-TH 9-3pm

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