# The Messenger

Christ Lutheran Church, LCMC Maple Plain, MN 55359

JULY 2019





#### Increasing our Vision of Who Christ is for Our Congregation!

Over the last three months our church council and the Vision Team (just regular members of the congregation and a few members of the council) have been reflecting, praying, and letting themselves be transformed, so that we may see more of how Christ works in a congregation to renew it.

We rejoice that we have a great Lord, who truly is more than amazing, but we as his very own people, whom he has called to be his own church tend to live as if we are on our own. That we are orphans trying to live our lives in a tough world. But the truth is Christ is our Lord and has incredible plans and love for us. In our great culture of ingenuity and industry we tend to be Mary's! We work hard to do so many good things. So our focus and strongest beliefs become centered on what we can do! But Christ has come to really put us in a powerful place in our life!

Remember the stories of the Old Testament! Remember how Abraham and Sarah were blessed greatly by God! Remember how despite not having a child of their own, at the right time God gave them Isaac! Remember how God especially blessed Moses and the people to be freed from the Pharaoh of Egypt. How God blessed Joshua and the people with ridiculously great military victories over surrounding nations. God has a way of wanting to draw us into his amazing love for us and giving our lives a very strong faith, and joy in him.

To be honest, many times I struggle with what God is doing, or how God works so slow! That is only my perception! Actually God works powerfully instantly, and perfectly when HIs time and when our hearts are focused on Him and His plans for people. When we really become His people and not our own. God can move greatly among people when we do not hinder his ways.

As a church council and Vision Team we are learning the subtle ways we like to do "good" things rather than allow God to do "God" things! This summer as we reflect on "Restoring the Foundations of Faith" we are learning to get into alignment with God, to surrender ourselves under his mighty hand, to have hearts more for Him than for this world. God is calling us to rest in Him, and to know again what it means to be truly blessed and to have that peace that comes only from Christ.

I truly believe Jesus offers us a new life in him! As we reflected on the congregational survey, it showed 74% of us felt our primary mission was to love each other, which is a great goal. But our primary purpose is to make disciples who make disciples. When we have that focus, we become healthier in Christ and we even love others much more. As a congregation we are growing to be disciple makers. it may appear God is working slowly, but God works powerfully and timely when we allow Him and when our focus is on Jesus.

Peace!

Pastor Ron

# THANK YOU!

Thanks very much for the kind words, thoughts and gifts. I appreciate being a small part of the day to day activities of the church and being a part of Men's Prayer Breakfast.

Thanks to the guilters for their special gift. Thanks to all for the gift certificate to a favorite place.

**Bob Tesarek** 

July Benevolence is The Dwelling Place



## **2019 CLC COUNCIL**

Month	Name	Term	Committee Assignment
January	Dale KenKnight	17-19	Secretary Cemetery
February	Deb Stueven	19-21	Memorial Mission & Outreach
March	Tom Zulkosky	17-19	Property
April	Greg Rietow	19-21	Worship & Music Adult Mission Trip Vision
May	Mark Mundahl	17-19	Vice President Staff Support, Vision Memorial
June	Nancy Wood	18-20	President Staff Support Finance, Vision
July	Jean Flatten	2019	CLW Endowment Thank You's
August	Yvonne Breeschoter	າ 18-20	Furnishings
September	Molly Sartor		Youth Director
October	Brad Sim	19-21	Vision
November	Rich Mickschl	18-20	Treasurer Benevolence Finance
December	Dale KenKnight	17-19	Secretary Cemetery
	Pastor Ron Boettner	-	

# spring Cleaning

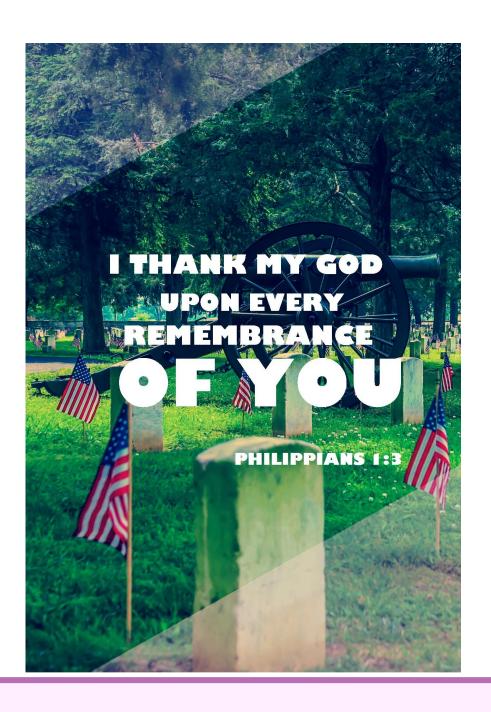


donate to the Fall Rummage Sale

Sale dates September 26, 27 & 28th

Donations now being accepted for clean used clothing, jewelry, purses, household goods, books, furniture or sporting goods will be accepted. Watch for boxes of hangers in the front closet to use to hang clothing on!

To arrange a drop off in the shed call JoEllen Horazuk 763-639-2938 or Mary Couser 612-306-2618 to meet you!



July 14 - Outdoor Worship & Picnic July 28-Aug. 3 - Youth Mission Trip August 17 - LOL Music Fest!







# FREE CONCERT

AUGUST 17 3-6PM Christ Lutheran Church, Maple Plain RAIN OR SHINE, BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR OR BLANKETS, FACE PAINTING & CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE ON SITE, WWW.MPCLC.ORG



CHRIS AUGUST
WITH OPENING ACTS
NATE SABIN &
MOLLY SARTOR



## CONCERT SPONSORSHIPS SOUGHT!

The Mission and Outreach team is reaching out to private and corporate sponsors who have supported the Love out Loud Concert in the past. We already have Sponsorships from several corporate and private sponsors, but are still seeking help to maintain this Mission

and hopefully to keep it going. This is our 4th Annual Love Out Loud Concert and it is going to be awesome.

The concert fulfills our mission to spread the Gospel throughout our community and to those outside of our CLC walls!

If you are interested or want to know more, please contact Deb Stueven or Ben Anderson and they would be happy to visit with you.





#### July 7

Greeters: Stouts

Lector: Shelly Anderson

Coffee: Boettners

#### July 14 - Outdoor Worship

Greeters: Grenells

Lector: Renee Burrows

#### July 21

Greeters: Burlets

Lector: Karleen Boettner

Coffee: Burlets

#### July 28

Greeters: Horazuks Lector: Deb Stueven

Coffee: Hawkinsons, Dale Andersons

#### **Council Representative:**

Jean Flatten

Sunshine Caller: Judy Johnson

#### Altar Guild:

July 7 - Jean Flatten

July 14 - Val Homuth

July 21 - Deb Stueven

July 28 - Linda Mickschl

Ushers: Dennis & Mary Ann

Johnson, Val Homuth, Howard

Peterson, Karleen Boettner





#### August 4

Greeters: Luecks

Lector: Becky KenKnight

Coffee: Steffls, KenKnights

#### August 11

Greeters: Thomas Family

Lector: Paula Weis

Coffee: Holms, Horazuks

#### August 18

Greeters: Will You Serve???

Lector: Kathy Oman

Coffee: Carsons, S. Larson

#### Autust 25

Greeters: Will You Serve???

Lector: Val Homuth

Coffee: D. Johnsons, Stuevens

**Council Rep**: Yvonne Breeschoten

Sunshine Caller: Sandy Carson

Altar Guild: Sandy Carson, Nancy Wood

**Ushers**: Kevin Hawkinson, Mark

Carlson Family, Larry & Nancy Wood



### Spirit of the Lakes Festival

Mound, MN Saturday, July 20th

#### **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

There will be a Grand Parade at 10:00 am and we will have a float/car to advertise our Love Out Loud! Concert for Aug 17th.

We meet at 9:30 am and the parade usually lasts about an hour.

We need parade volunteers to:

- Walk and carry the concert banner
- Walk and hand out candy
- Walk and hand out concert cards
- Candy donations

We will play Chris August music nice and loud! It's a fun morning!

If you are interested in participating, please email Deb Stueven at debstueven@yahoo.com.

Please confirm if you can participate and your T-shirt size. All volunteers for the parade will get a free new t-shirt to advertise the concert. We will sell more shirts at the concert again this year too.

Thank you from the Mission & Outreach Committee for considering your participation in this fun event!



Walter	Brambilla	4-Jun
Ronald	Gustafson	5-Jun
Allan	Jenkins	5-Jun
Shirley	Fries	6-Jun
Austin	Ahlstrom	8-Jun
Jerome	Ree	10-Jun
Kayla	Dudzinski	11-Jun
Matt	Mundahl	12-Jun
Robin	Risvold	12-Jun
Everett	Heupel	13-Jun
Gary	Mutchler	14-Jun
Christina	Ramirez	16-Jun
Nancy	Wood	17-Jun
Jon	Sillerud	18-Jun
Nathan	Roiland	19-Jun
Thomas	Zulkosky	20-Jun
Emily	Robillard	23-Jun
Skip	Flatten	26-Jun
Tom	Heilman	26-Jun
Ben	Anderson	27-Jun
Alaina	Pettit	27-Jun
Debra	Reed	30-Jun



#### CHRIST LUTHERAN WOMEN - JULY, 2019

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.

#### **RUMMAGE SALE**

Clean clothing, household items, books, jewelry, purses, shoes, sporting goods and furniture are now being accepted for our annual Rummage Sale. We encourage you to bring your clean, wearable clothing on hangers, and hang it on the racks in the far section of our coat room. Empty hangers are available in boxes in the coat room. Feel free to take hangers home and return them with your clothing items. We ask that you PLEASE DO NOT donate broken, damaged, torn or soiled items. Please contact JoEllen Horazuk (763-639-2938) or Mary Couser (612-306-2618) to arrange to drop off items in the shed. Thank you!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Please mark your calendars for our RUMMAGE SALE PLANNING MEETING on Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. Dessert and coffee will be provided.

CLW will hold a QUILT RAFFLE in August and September.

CLW'S ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE will be held from Thursday through Saturday, on September 26th, 27th & 28th, 2019.

Our CLW ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. We hope you can join us!

Your Sisters in Christ,

Jean Flatten, Val Homuth, Mona Hawkinson & Bonita Heilman



# Your "Food Shelf" Shopping List





Pancake Mix, Cold Cereal



**Mayonnaise** 





Canned Corn (NOT Creamed)



**Salad Dressings** 





Rice





Cake Mix & Brownie Mix



Jello, Pudding mix



**Toothbrushes** 



**Kleenex** 

**Boxed Pasta** 



Kook-Aid & Tea & Coffee







**Paper towels** 



<u>ALWAYS NEEDED:</u>
<u>Grocery bags</u>
for clients food!