

# The Heavenly Herald

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings All,

I hope you all had a terrific summer!

On Wednesday, August 23, we conducted a Special Meeting of the CLC Council. The most important item on our agenda was the decision on how to proceed with Sunday services, Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. After thoughtful discussion, the Council voted unanimously to proceed as follows:

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship Service** – will continue until our Pastor is called
- 9:15 am Sunday School** (children depart during Sermon Hymn)  
(Starts on Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>)
- 10:00am Fellowship / Bible Study** – following worship service

Due to changes related to our Pastoral vacancy, our annual summer picnic was postponed and will now be conducted on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** in conjunction with our Sunday School Rally Day as follows:

**CLC Picnic / Sunday School Rally Day**  
**Sunday September 10, 2017**

<p><b>9:30 am - 10:20 am</b> <b>10:30 am</b></p>	<p><b>First Day of Sunday School – Rally Day</b>  <b>Worship Service followed by PICNIC</b>  <b>(*Feel free to worship in picnic attire)</b></p>
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On behalf of the congregation, I would like to thank the Call Committee for all their hard work and dedication. This can be an exhausting process, but with your prayers and support, they are moving at remarkable pace. The committee has now reached the interview phase, which we are confident will lead to their recommendation for our Pastoral Call!

We owe special thanks to President Yeadon and Pastor Beinke for their dedicated support in guiding us through the call process and arranging for our interim-visiting Pastors. Although we look forward to again having our permanent Pastor, we have been blessed and enlightened by this experience.

Many thanks to our youth and adult VBS volunteers! Under the leadership of Judy DiDomizio, they conducted another very successful Vacation Bible School session. This is an important annual community outreach program and CLC once again rose to the occasion.

CLC is blessed to have so many people that see the needs of the church and simply jump in and get them done. In particular, I would like to thank Martha Medford and Carol Santoro for all they do on a daily basis to ensure our services are properly prepared. They continue to work closely with our visiting Pastors to coordinate every aspect of our Sunday services and these Pastors are very appreciative of their advice and assistance.

A big thank you to the many volunteers that continue to make improvements to our CLC Par-

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**COME WORSHIP WITH US**

**Sunday Worship Services:**  
9:00 am  
( Nursery Care Available

**Sunday School**  
9:10 am

**Adult Bible Classes:**  
After Service

**Summer Worship Service:**  
9:00 am  
( Fathers Day to Labor Day )



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*Church Staff  
TBD-Pastor*

*Carol Santoro-Office Manager*

*Martha Medford-Organist & Choir Director*

*Jeff Mann-Parish President*

*Beth Soulier-Editor*

**CALL COMMITTEE NEWS...**

Greetings,

The Call Committee has had a busy summer. We are pleased to confirm that we have narrowed our list down to 3 excellent candidates for which we are ready to progress to the following next steps:

- ✠ 8/25 - 8/31:
  - ◆ Reach out to candidates and schedule interviews
- ✠ 9/3 - 9/9:
  - ◆ Conduct Interviews with Candidates (two in person – 1 via Skype)
- ✠ 9/10:
  - ◆ First Notice to Voters and Congregation - Announcement in Sunday Bulletin
- ✠ 9/17:
  - ◆ Second Notice to Voters and Congregation - Announcement in Sunday Bulletin
- ✠ 9/17:
  - ◆ Voters Assembly meeting presided over by our president immediately following our service
  - ◆ Call Committee presents recommendation
  - ◆ Voters Vote – simple majority chooses Pastor
  - ◆ Pat contacts the chosen pastor, ASAP--to advise he has been CALLED, and the CALL DOCUMENTS will be forth coming

If you have any questions regarding the above key dates and activities kindly contact Pat DiDomizio or any member of the Call Committed or our Parish President Jeff Mann.

**The Cheshire Lutheran Church Call Committee:**

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Pat DiDomizio  
Chair – CLC Call Committee

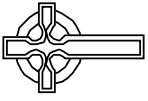
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sonage! This is an important ongoing project and their skills and hard work will ensure that we have a beautiful home to offer to our next pastoral family – Thank you!

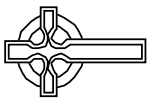
Our next Council meeting will be **Tuesday, September 5th at 7:00pm** in the CLC library. The next Voter’s meeting is **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**. Immediately following the 9:00 service, in the CLC library.

Yours in Christ,  
Jeff

Jeffrey A. Mann  
Parish President, CLC



# GAEL GALAMDAIR



## September

# September Servants

## NEWS FROM OUR EDUCATION DEACON...

The beginning of our Sunday school year will be both challenging and exciting as our Call Committee works to bring a new shepherd into our fold. The times for service and classes have been temporarily scheduled to accommodate our visiting pastors.

**Rally Day, Sept 10:** Rally Day will be coordinated with our annual Parish Picnic:

- ✦ Students & parents will meet in the sanctuary at **9:30 until 10:20 a.m.**
- ✦ Sunday service begins at **10:30** followed by the parish picnic.
- ✦ Sign up the family for the picnic on the bulletin board or leave a message at church. There will be organized games for the children at the picnic!

**Sunday, Sept. 17:** Sunday school classes begin:

- ✦ Instruction begins at **9:15** until **10:00** a.m.
- ✦ Students are encouraged to attend the beginning of Sunday service with their families. Students will be dismissed to class prior to the sermon, approximately 9:15.

Sunday school is for children who turn four-years old by Dec. 31 through grade nine. We have new materials from Concordia Publishing and are looking forward to a year of blessings for our students and families! If you have friends or neighbors who do not already belong to a Sunday school, we would happily have them join us!

**Adult Bible Study** will begin On Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, following the **9:00** worship service. The class will meet in the library and be conducted by Pastor Nuechterlein.

Judy DiDomizio



## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

Today is the Day the Lord hath made!  
Let us Rejoice & Be Glad in it!

I am very excited about Sunday school this year. We have new materials from Concordia publishing & having Rally day before our church picnic.

So please mark your calendars; September 10th, 9:30AM in church for the opening of Sunday school. There will be singing & games. Then at 10:30AM family worship followed by the picnic.

Lessons will begin on September 17, 2017 with the story of King Solomon.

I truly Hope & Pray you be able to join us!

Yours in Christ  
Carlene Myers

"I do not exasperate my children; instead, I bring them in the training & instruction of the Lord"  
Philippians 2:14



## VISIT OUR WEBSITE...

When you get a chance, visit our website. Thanks to Steve Ferro and Bill Juul for their hard work keeping the site updated each month. It has a sleek look and it's easy to find what you are looking for. You can find the latest news and information, see the great pictures our Church photographer takes regularly and even view the Heavenly Herald in full color.



## CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
September 6 - Wednesday	6:30 PM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 10- Sunday <i>Sunday School Rally Day!</i>	9:30 AM	Sunday School	Rally Day
	10:30 AM	Performance	Soloists
September 13 - Wednesday	6:30 PM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 17 - Sunday	8:30 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	9:00 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
September 20 - Wednesday	6:30 PM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 24 - Sunday	8:30 AM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	9:00 AM	Performance	Youth Choir
September 27 - Wednesday	6:30 PM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 1 - Sunday	8:30 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	9:00 AM	Performance	Parish Choir



### SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANCE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED ...

A hearing assistance system (Williams Sound Corporation) and four receivers have been donated to CLC. A receiver (hearing aid) may be obtained from any usher. Please feel free to ask for one and make sure you return to an usher at the end of the service so it can be returned to its proper storage place for use at another time.

### CHURCH PICNIC ON SEPTEMBER 10TH...

Please join us for fellowship and fun at the church picnic, which will be held after the service on September 10th. There will be drinks, grilled hot dogs, hamburgers, side dishes (both hot and cold) and desserts on.



For further details, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Also needed, that same day, are people to help set up the tables and chairs in the tents on the lawn beforehand and to clean up afterwards.

All are welcome to sign-up to have a great time with your fellow church members. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Karen Weiland  
Fellowship Committee

# Our Sincere Appreciation

- ✚ Many thanks to the “Thursday Afternoon Ladies” for assembling the Summer Heavenly Herald! You guys make my job so much easier and nicer! HUGS!
- ✚ Karen Weiland, the Fellowship Deacon, wishes to thank all the volunteers who enhanced our Summer Sunday worship with Lemonade/Iced Tea and snacks and wishes to thank all who helped with our very successful Church Picnic. A wonderful time was had by all!
- ✚ Many, many thanks to Martha Medford for working so hard this summer arranging and rehearsing for all our Summer musical performances. And thanks to all those that enhanced our services with their beautiful voices and musical talents!
- ✚ Very special thanks to the wonderful Ministers that continue to lead us in worship while we search for a new Pastor. We have been truly blessed
- ✚ Grateful thanks to all that have kept the activities and business of our Church running smoothly. It takes many hands and so many have stepped up. God Bless you all
- ✚ Gracious gratitude to all those who have been helping out at the Parsonage. The place looks beautiful
- ✚ Thank you Joe and Rita Stark for the shed to be used to house the Crèche. Its beautiful, thank you!
- ✚ Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that made VBS this summer such a huge success! See more information in this Newsletter
- ✚ Many thanks to our fellow congregants and visiting clergy for helping out with the recent funerals celebrated at CLC this summer



## FINANCIAL SECRETARY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU...

The Financial Secretary is always in need of volunteers to aid in counting church offerings after the 9:00 AM Sunday services. If you are available 4 - 6 times per year for approximately one hour, please contact Bill Soulier!



## NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...

We are planning to have a booth at the Cheshire Fall festival. Since this October 31st is the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther nailing the 95 Theses to the door at the church in Wittenburg Germany, this would be a good time to promote our Lutheran heritage. This was the start of the Protestant Reformation and a significant event in church history. I am ordering pamphlets to explain the meaning of Luther's thoughts regarding his complaints with the church activities in 1517. If anyone is interested in helping to man the booth, please contact me.

John Balash, Evangelism Deacon



## NEED TO GET INFORMATION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION?

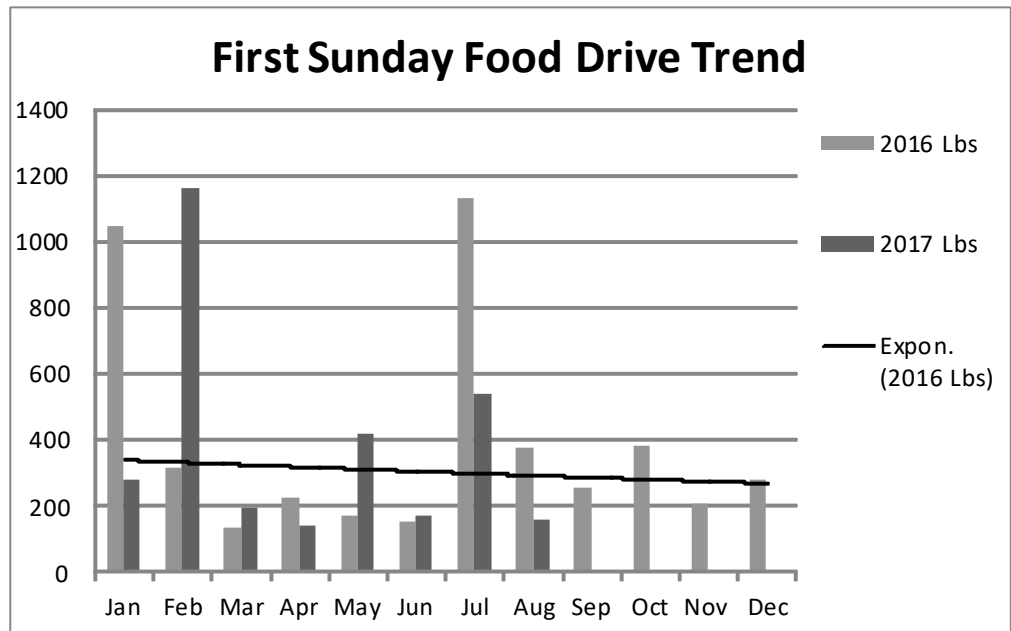
Just slip your information or a note into one of the folders on the hallway table outside the church office. Folders have been created for each of the council members, Beth Soulier (the editor of this newsletter) and a few others and placed outside the office. We have found that this is a great way to distribute information within the congregation.





**DONATE YOUR FREEBIES!**

If you happen to spot an item at the grocery store selling at a special price “buy one-get one free”, purchase it and donate the free item to First Sunday Food Drive



“Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’” John 21:15b

**LET'S NOT FORGET THOSE LESS FORTUNATE...**

Don't let our First Sunday Food Bank donations fall behind last year's totals. Please note that the Cheshire Community Food Pantry is open Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00 am until noon and Tues. & Thurs. from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Please check expiration dates. We want to insure the food we are sending is not out of date. Any and all contributions are gratefully accepted, including non-food items such as soap, tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL TO RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2017...**

**September 10: Rally Day!**

Parents and kids join with the Sunday School Staff for a day of fun and games!

**9:30 to 10:20 AM**



**PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO THE LORD'S FAMILY...**

We celebrate together as *Nora Grace Bencivenga* was baptized into the Lord's family on Sunday July 9, 2017

We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.



## NEWS FROM THE HOUSE AND GROUNDS DEACON...

Hello everyone, I'd like to take a few moments to fill you in on our church and parsonage.:

- ✚ Refrigerator—Earlier this summer our refrigerator in the church kitchen stopped working and needed to be replaced. We replaced it with a similar model that happened to be on sale, saving us a few hundred dollars.
- ✚ Defibrillator—This spring, the church council approved the purchase of an AED unit (defibrillator) for the church. It will be located next to the conference room/library
  - \* Classes—I am in the process of setting up training classes this fall with more information to come
- ✚ Crèche Storage Shed—I would like to thank Joe Stark for the new shed out by the side parking lot for our creche that we set up each Christmas. Having a dedicated storage place for the creche will make set up and take down much easier and allow us to better preserve this beautiful display, thank you again Joe!



With Pastor Gustafson's retirement, the parsonage became my top priority to get it ready for our new pastor. Before pastor left we did a walk through and I made note of pastor's comments and recommendations. The house was in good shape but was in need of updating and some long over due cleaning. Since mid July we have been busy working to removed wallpaper and painting the kitchen, dining room, hall, upstairs hallway and all the bedrooms. We have cleaned all the windows, power washed the outside, removed 4 bushes and trimmed the rest, weeded all the gardens and taken down a rotting fence by the back deck. With a team of volunteers and many trips to the church and back to dump branches and stumps we removed a 40 foot pine tree that really opens up the front yard and lets the sun in and will help the grass grow. I am so impressed by all the work that has been done and by the wonderful support I have. I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered their time and muscles to help us and especially the following people who have been helping out not only on the weekends but also during the week; Ed Schwietzer, Tim Weiland, Dave and Sally Schrumm, Jim and Margie Mertz and Bill Sherman.



We still have a lot more to do such as replacing outlets, carpets, tiles and remodeling the basement and I will be reaching out for more help as the fall progresses but we are off to a great start. If anyone has carpentry, flooring or electrical skills, please reach out to me as we can especially use this type of expertise.

Thank you again to everyone that helps to keep our house and grounds in shape and looking beautiful, it is a wonderful reflection of our mission here at Cheshire Lutheran church.

Andy Clark  
House and grounds deacon

## THIS MONTH IN OUR HISTORY!...

A monthly glimpse of the history of your Cheshire Lutheran Church:

September	
September 1959	First parsonage completed at 265 Peck Lane
September 10, 1995	Pastor Charles Gustafson installation at Cheshire Lutheran Church
September 26, 1957	6-acre site of current West Main property purchased for \$15,000
September 30, 1953	Pastor Louis Nuechterlein ordination into the Holy Ministry for Christ
September 2, 2007	Joe Ferwerda DCE installation
September 22, 2013	Andy Schaefer DCE installation



## GREETING CARD FUNDRAISER!

(A project of the Thursday Ladies Group)

A variety of greeting cards with Christian messages are for sale at \$1 each. These high quality cards are displayed in a rack on the counter outside the office. We will continuously update the selection which includes Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, Thank You, seasonal and miscellaneous choices.

After making your selection, please leave your money or check in the box attached to the display.

The ladies thank the congregation for their generous support and hope to continue their record of giving to various church ministries.

We thank all for their support and especially thank those who leave large bills in the box.

Contact Persons; Rita Stark (272-3488) and Carolyn Bammann (272-7083).



## CANS AND BOTTLES—BOTTLES AND CANS...

Save your returnable Bottle and Cans. Money raised will benefit Little Cherubs. A collection box is located in the storage closet towards the back of the Fellowship Hall.

## ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

*Remember to check the Bulletin Boards and/or hallway table for sign-up sheets and information about various events!*

### *This month on the Bulletin Board:*

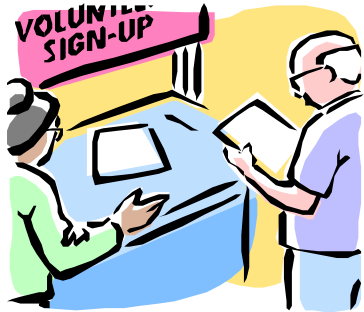
- † CLC Little Blessings Nursery Needs Volunteers
- † Give Your Old Car A Good Home **Good News Garage** information
- † Cheshire Food Drive Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- † Hope Center 2017 volunteer sign-ups
- † 2017 Usher Schedule

### *Others looking for help!*

- † **Fellowship Deacon needs volunteers** to help make the events happen. Contact Karen Weiland if you can help in any capacity. 203-250-1574 or email [kweiland3@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kweiland3@sbcglobal.net)
- † **Helping Hands** - Contact the Church Office if you would like to be a member of the helping hands committee. In particular, we are seeking someone to chair this committee.
- † **All Choirs** rehearse on Wednesday evenings are as follows:
  - 6:30 PM – Youth Choir
  - 7:15 PM – Adult Bell Choir
  - 8:00 PM – Parish Choir

Now is the time to sign up to join the Parish Choir for Adults or the Youth Choir for Children. Previous singing in Choirs is not required, only a love of music and a desire to contribute to our worship on Sundays. Speak to Martha Medford or any current member of the choirs for Questions.

- † **Sunday School Teachers Needed**—Prayerfully consider serving our congregations children by volunteering to Teach them a few Sunday mornings during the year. See Judy DiDomizio.



## MEET OUR MISSIONARIES...

J.P. and Aimee serve in northern Vietnam, where the LCMS has carried out human care and education projects for over 20 years. J.P. and Aimee work with local partners in developing and implementing community development projects in rural areas. They have also established a social enterprise to reach out to young families in the city. Moreover, J.P. and Aimee facilitate and oversee GEO personnel who teach EFL in universities in and around Hanoi, as well as short-term service teams from the United States and Asia.

J.P. was born and raised in Richmond, Va., received his undergraduate degree in theology from Lenoir-Rhyne College in North Carolina and received his Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., after serving in Vietnam for two years as a vicar. Aimee (Crawford) was born in Tulsa, Okla., and raised in Richmond, Va. She has both a bachelor's and a master's degree in dietetics from James Madison University in Virginia. J.P. and Aimee have two daughters — Celeste, born in March 2007, and Isabella, born in August 2009 and one Son, Isaac born this year in Vietnam.



J.P. and Aimee Cima and their children Serving the Lord in Vietnam



For the 8th session of SOLEAD, students were fortunate to have guest facilitator, Dr. Ian Sutherland, from Concordia International School Hanoi, sharing about problem solving approaches. For the first time, students were challenged to examine the complexities of social issues and to deconstruct problems, imagine causes and solutions, and to apply problem solving steps to practical examples. In two weeks, the training program will conclude with a two day retreat in which students will have the opportunity to plan a small volunteer project and receive support from LCMS to implement it.



Apr 28, 2017



Beautiful weather in Hanoi, though our 12th floor view is slowly being obstructed

- Pray daily for J.P. and Aimee — and how you can support and tell others about their ministry. Visit [lcms.org/cima](http://lcms.org/cima)
- Learn about LCMS international work at [lcms.org/international](http://lcms.org/international)
- Support and adopt an international worker. Call 888-930-4438.



LEARN • PRAY • GIVE • TELL • SEND • GO • CELEBRATE

## NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...



Greetings to All,

Time is flying by so very fast. This is our first communication after our summer vacation. Well great, great things are happening at Little Cherubs. We have grown leaps and bounds. We did receive some children from the closing of Happy Times but a great amount of our children have come due to their siblings and thanks to word of mouth. Would you believe as I write this post we have 25 children attending Little Cherubs for 2017 and 2018 school year.

More great news for all. Martha Henderson is continuing to join us this year. She will be working with me on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Martha and I will be teaching the 4 year old's. We work very well together with many smiles and laughs. A true Blessing.

We have a new teacher to celebrate, Cindy Barker. Cindy is working with me in the 3 year old classroom on Tuesday and Thursday's. Cindy has come with high recommendation from several members of the Church and spent time in the classroom with the children at the end of last school year. She is such a great fit to our school.

We so look forward to this new school year getting to know the children as well as them getting to know all of us. Our classroom is absolutely beautiful. I didn't think we could get it to look better than it has been but we have succeeded. I invite all of you to stop by and see our classroom. We are so very proud of how beautiful it looks and how well we work together.

We begin our school year with the Bible Study of Creation.

God has blessed us with Little Cherubs and I with all of you.

God Bless,

Joann Adinolfi Holstein



We thank you for  
The time you spared  
And the helping hand you gave.  
It meant so much  
And we thank the Lord  
For the effort that you made.



To all the volunteers who helped with the church fellowship functions this year, we thank you for the time you took to make this church such a cheerful place to be. I look forward to another year.

Karen Weiland

## NEWS FROM OUR STEWARDSHIP DEACON...

Well, summer is rapidly coming to an end and we have made it through more than the first half of the year. The quarterly statements have gone out to all of you who either pledged or made contributions using numbered envelopes (and the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter statements are only about a month away).

In past newsletters, I have focused on the actual numbers – where we are in relation to the Work Plan. This month I want to focus on a devotional reading that was sent to me by a member of the congregation. Thank you, Al Manke. This will also be a theme for later.



*READ*  
 SATURDAY, JUNE 3  
 ———  
 Read Malachi 3:10 ♦ Psalm 96

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.  
*Malachi 3:10*

### Downpours Forecasted

Giving money to the church can often make us squirm. We would rather use our money for our own needs—or wants. We find it difficult to summon the exuberance of Psalm 96, in which bringing an offering is one element of a joyous parade of praise to the Lord. Instead, our offerings to the church can feel like an imposition or even a burden to us.

Yet Malachi 3:10 suggests that offerings are not a test of our faithfulness to God but rather of His faithfulness to us. It reminds us of who He is: a God of unfathomable generosity and grace. After all, “He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?” (Romans 8:32). Through Jesus’ death, He has given us undeserved forgiveness and eternal life. Who knows what blessings the Lord might pour down on us and our congregations through our faithful offerings? He invites us to discover what He has in store!

*Gracious God, thank You for the riches of mercy You have rained down on me. Please grant me a generous heart toward Your Church. Amen.*



Everything you have and the whole world is a gift from God. When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. Christian stewards seek the heart of God in faithfully, joyfully and gratefully managing all the gifts God has given.

I look forward to a strong third quarter. There has been much change at CLC over the past 9 months but we are blessed with a strong congregation dedicated to God and a new future for CLC. Who knows what blessings God has in store to pour down upon us? Again, I thank each and every one of you for your devotion to the Church in terms of time, talent and treasure.

Sincerely,

David Veleber  
 Stewardship Deacon

# Service Reminder!

The council voted unanimously to set our Sunday morning schedule **starting September 17** as follows:

- ✚ **Sunday Worship** will continue to be held at 9:00am
- ✚ **Sunday School** will be held at 9:15am (children join their families for the beginning of worship and leave just prior to the sermon)
- ✚ **Fellowship/Bible Study** will be held after our worship service

The above schedule will continue during the interim of calling a pastor to CLC

- \* **With one exception—September 10:**
  - ✚ 9:10am First Day of Sunday School (Rally Day)
  - ✚ 10:10am Fellowship
  - ✚ 10:30am Worship service followed by Picnic



## CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs resume rehearsals on Wednesday September 6, 2017. Wednesday Evening Rehearsals are as follows:

- 6:30 PM – Youth Choir
- 7:15 PM – Adult Bell Choir
- 8:00 PM – Parish Choir

Each choir is praying for new members. Please consider joining, you will be happy you did!



## NEWS FROM OUR SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our 2017 Orphan Grain Train project. Donations were collected through August 20.



Following Sunday service on the 20th, several members helped assemble the kits. We exceeded our goal by 10% for a total of 55 school kits. Later in August, the kits were delivered to the OGT warehouse in Terryville, CT. This was an amazing sight to see. The entire first floor of the warehouse is dedicated to the OGT. There the volunteers sort and pack donations that are dropped off by working for 3 hours every Monday morning. There are clothes, shoes, medical equipment, hospital beds, bikes, health kits, pillow case dresses and backpacks packed into uniform boxes that are eventually loaded on a container and shipped to a needy location in the US or overseas.

Many thanks to all who contributed donations and helped assemble the kits.

Vicki DePaolo  
Social Welfare Deacon

## CLCW LADIES NIGHT OUT...

The well attended Ladies Night Out is currently being planned. It will be held in October again this year. Watch the Sunday Bulletin and October Heavenly Herald for updates on date, time and location.

See you there...



## CLCW NEWS...

Cheshire Lutheran Church Women will be meeting to discuss finances and plan the year ahead. The meeting date and time is still to be determined. Watch the Sunday Bulletin for updates.

All women are welcome! Also, don't forget about our well attended Ladies Night Out which will be held in October. More information about that is forthcoming!

Karen Weiland



## CLC SAYS GOODBYE TO CHERISHED FRIENDS...

**Sunrise March 4, 1929 ~ Sunset June 5, 2017**  
**Herman C. Asmus**

Our beloved brother, Herman Asmus, was called home to our Lord on June 5, 2017. A celebration of John's life took place at 11 am on Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> at Cheshire Lutheran Church.

**Sunrise July 5, 1933 ~ Sunset June 19, 2017**  
**Elsie Dorothea (Weiss) Neuffer**

Our beloved sister, Elsie Neuffer, was called home to our Lord on June 19, 2017. A memorial service was held at CLC on Saturday, July 1 at 10:00 a.m.

We thank God for Herman and Elsie's ministry and service among us and for the opportunity to share in a common witness to the faith. The time has come to offer words of hope and comfort as we remember the promises of our Lord and faithful God.

"We believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep." (I Thessalonians 4:14)

May God's peace and consolation bring comfort to the Asmus and Neuffer families.

Well done, good and faithful servant(s); .... enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

*Matthew 25:21*



## NEED TO GET INFORMATION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION?

Just slip your information or a note into one of the folders on the hallway table outside the church office. Folders have been created for each of the council members, Beth Soulier (the editor of this newsletter) and a few others and placed outside the office. We have found that this is a great way to distribute information within the congregation.



## VBS HUGE SUCCESS...



Vacation Bible School was held at Cheshire Lutheran this summer from Monday, July 17 through Friday, July 21. The program was organized by Judy DiDomizio, Vicki DePaolo, Karen Smith, and Carlene Myers. The program used was "Maker Fun Factory", where kids learn that they were each created for a purpose by a loving God. Thirty children enjoyed a fun-filled week doing crafts, experiments, games, Bible stories, and singing praises with great enthusiasm.

We were blessed to have over 30 volunteers from CLC, including 10 of our youth, make the program possible this summer. The Drust family generously provided daily snacks as well as ice cream sundaes on Friday to the delight of the children.

A free-will offering of \$328.00 was collected from the participating families to be sent to the Good Shepherd Foundation. The Foundation provides monthly medical clinics in poverty stricken areas of Haiti, and is exploring solutions to the contaminated water supply in the area.

The following is a list of the volunteers who gave all or part of their week to make VBS a success.



  
*Thanks*

  
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Carol Santoro Vicki DePaolo Karen Smith Terri Daly Kristina Tuscano (Santoro)  
Carlene Myers Lynn Balash Barbara Carson Margie Mertz Jim Mertz Karen Bailey  
Judy DiDomizio Carolyn Bammann Ethel Daly Donna Quast Paula Ongley  
Christine Mason Amy Kennelly Diane Taylor Sydney Taylor Todd Peters  
Larry Fiedler Barbara Manthey Christine Smith Judy Watson Joann Holstein

### Youth

Aliza Taylor Aliza Kennelly Julianna Tyler Kyle Fiedler Julia Schaff  
Brandon Ferro Julia Plantier Michael Plantier Hannah Mayer Maya Galloza

  
*Thanks*

  
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## PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!!

(October 2017 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (soulierbeth@sbcglobal.net) by Friday **September 22<sup>nd</sup>** or earlier! Place all non-electronic articles and information you would like printed into the HH in Beth's lateral file folder on the hallway table.

Thank You!





## REVISED 2017 USHER SCHEDULE ...

We will be adopting a one service schedule starting May 7. Since there will be higher attendance we need to have more ushers at each service. If you cannot make service, please try to arrange a replacement and notify head usher.

May 9:00 a.m. Diane Drust Don Drust Paul Smith Tim Weiland *	July 9:00 a.m. Jim Mertz * Jeff Mann Dave Veleber	September 9:00 a.m. John Shepard Jim Schaff Al Mayer * Jon Tessler	November 9:00 a.m. Buzz Gancarz Kurt Lenz Larry Fiedler* Paul Fiedler
June 9:00 a.m. Paul Emerick Bill Sherman * Guy Mason	August 9:00 a.m. Ed Schweizer * Nancy Schweizer Richard Hagstrom	October 9:00 a.m. Don Dobbs Andrew Clark Rob DeLaubell * Curtis Pryde	December 9:00 a.m. Cliff Ongley John Shepard Joe Stark Tim Weiland *

\* Denotes Head Usher for the month

## 2018 PASTOR'S PILGRIMS JOURNEY TO SCANDINAVIA...

A 'Pastor's Pilgrims' Travel Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> at Holy Cross Lutheran Church 5995 Main Street in Trumbull. The 'dessert pot-luck' event is open to all and will include a presentation on this year's 'Reformation 500' journey by Pastor Tim Yeadon and sharing of information on upcoming trips to Scandinavia, Israel and Oberammergau for the 2020 Passion Play by Pastor Greg Wismar and Isabella Mastroianni of GLOBUS Travel.

## CLC MUSICAL OFFERING...

Music performed during Sunday morning services, is sometimes recorded and then emailed to a number of people. Most computers will recognize the mp3 music file and play it back. It is especially appreciated by those who are not able to be with us on a given Sunday.

If you are interested in receiving an occasional musical offering, please send an email to: [juul@cox.net](mailto:juul@cox.net) with "CLC Music" in the subject line. Recipient addresses will not appear in the music email.

We would be happy to include you.

Judy & Bill Juul

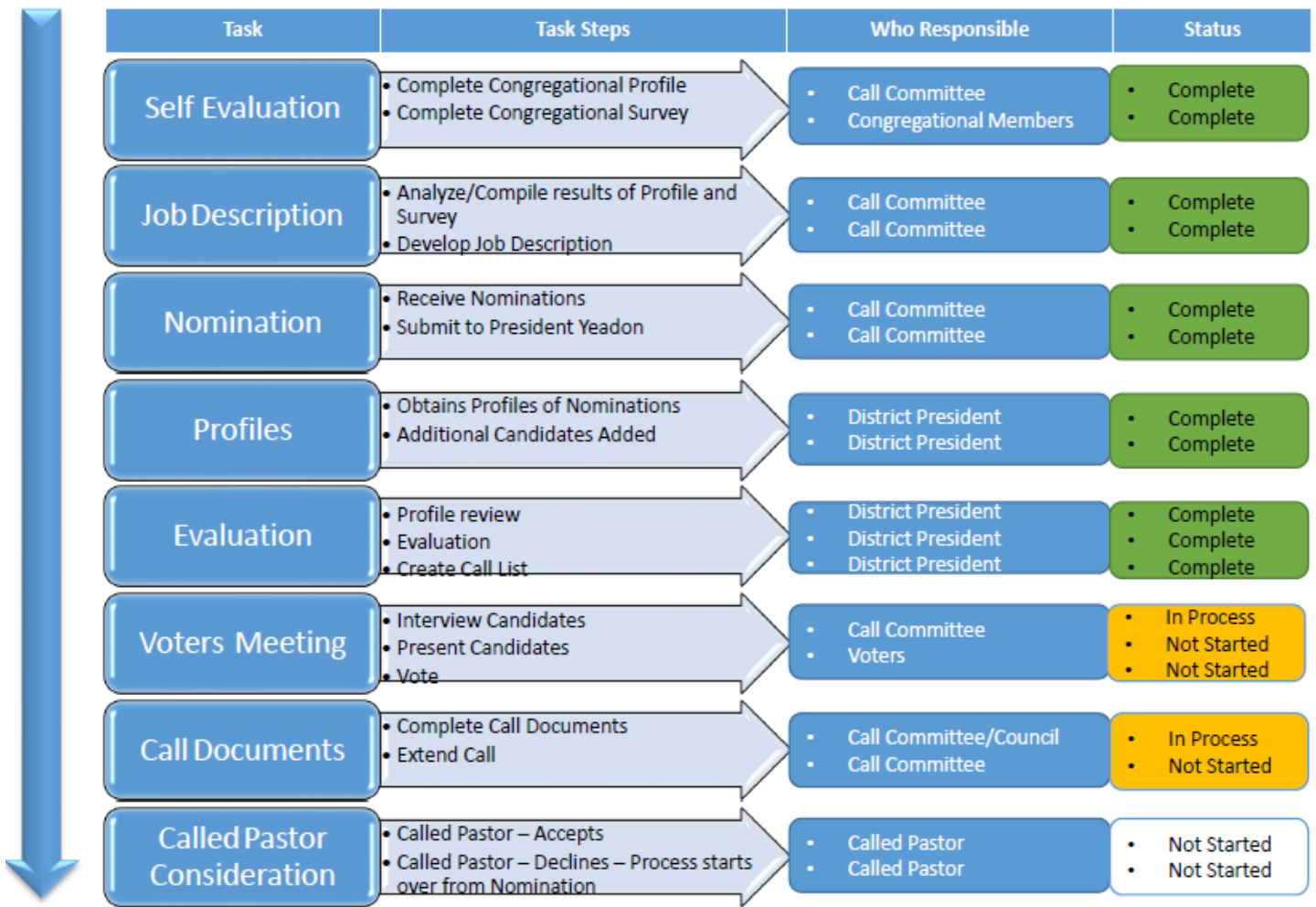


## SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

Volunteers are needed to prepare, serve and clean up Coffee Hour starting on September 17th. This year, due to our Service time and other changes, Coffee Hour will be held after the service during Adult Bible Study. In an effort to keep this much anticipated fellowship going, we need volunteers. Can you help set up coffee a few Sunday's during the year? Purchase or make baked goods to be served? Baked goods may be brought in at any time and placed in the freezer so we have something to serve every Sunday. Kindly sign-up on the Bulletin board and if you have questions you can contact the office. Thank you!



## Call Process and Status at Cheshire Lutheran Church



### CLC HELPING HANDS...

The Helping Hands committee is looking for a new Chairperson and others to help coordinate. Kindly consider this wonderful opportunity. Contact the church office if you are interested.

If you are in need of help please call on our Helping Hands committee. Please call the church office and arrangements will be made for meals to be made and delivered to you by our committee.

Whether this need is the result of a hospital stay, a new baby arrival, or a recent loss of a loved one, we want to support you during your critical time.

*Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. -- Galatians 6:10*

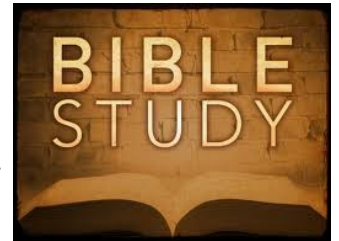
# Bible Studies at CLC

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...

PASTOR NUECHTERLEIN WILL BE LEADING our congregation's weekly adult Bible Study Hours during these months when we're without a full-time pastor. Sessions will be held each Sunday morning after the 9:00 AM Church Service starting on Sunday September 24, 2017.

We'll be continuing with the viewing of the filmed Survey of the Bible lectures which were formerly being offered here on Thursday mornings. (There are 36 lectures in all; and we're resuming this fall beginning at Lecture 17, which will tell us all about the children of Israel' tragic 70 years in captivity in the country of Babylon.

All our adult members, and your guests, are cordially invited to be with us.



## TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY...

TBD

## CALLING ALL MEN...

TBD



## THURSDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP...

TBD



## HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER...

Volunteers to deliver baby items to Hope Pregnancy Center, located next to the Library in Cheshire, are needed. If you would like to help once or twice a year, please sign up on the bulletin board.

We have re-directed the donated baby items which are collected in the bassinet outside the church office. For years we have been donating them to "Baskets of Love" where women of the Waterbury Church of Christ used them to make baskets which are distributed to new mothers in Waterbury Hospital, Bristol Hospital and New Beginnings in Waterbury We would like to now donate these items to the **local** organization "Hope for Life", d.b.a. Hope Pregnancy Center. They are located at 110 Main Street, Cheshire in a facility provided by Christ Community Church. They will gratefully accept infant clothing and unused nursery equipment. For further information, see the poster hung above the bassinet.



# SUMMER 2017



Summer Lemonade Fellowship



CLC Spirt Softball Season 2017



# MEMORIES



The kids and Leaders had a blast at VBS!



Summer singing and signing with Althea!



Parsonage Before  After 



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

## September 2017

1 <sup>st</sup>	Arthur and Mary Munter	59 Years
8 <sup>th</sup>	David and Sally Schrumm	44 Years
	Lars and Beth Carlson	27 Years
11 <sup>th</sup>	Jonah and Lisa Tyler	18 Years
21 <sup>st</sup>	Julian and Lisa Muller	21 Years
	Peter and Rebecca Mayer	15 Years
25 <sup>th</sup>	Clifford and Paula Ongley	46 Years
26 <sup>th</sup>	Andy and Pam Clark	25 Years



## COUNCIL AND VOTERS MEETING REMINDER...

Council/Voters will resume their meeting schedule in September. **Council** meeting will be held **Tuesday September 5th at 7:00 PM.** September **Voters'** meeting will be held, Sunday **September 17th at after the 9:00 AM Service.**



MEMBERS	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kevin Weiland Judy Watson
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Timothy Daly Christine Mason Benjamin Detlefsen Alexander Detlefsen Joe Holstein
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Casey Harding
ASSOCIATES	8 <sup>th</sup>	Ian Clark
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Terri Daly
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Sally Schrumm Kevin Schlupp Marlene Colavolpe
VOLUNTEERS	12 <sup>th</sup>	Allison Smith
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Alan Spose Lisette Donewald Wendy Emerick
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Leigh Giampietro
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Joy McHugh
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Madelyn Veleber
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Alex Muller Blake Feero Cindy Baker Frank Miller
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Martha Jarosz
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lars Carlson Nancy Schweizer
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Ken Leslie, Sr. Aliza Taylor
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Derek Henderson
GENERAL	26 <sup>th</sup>	Heather Shepard Nancy Engelhardt
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Erich Strunk, Sr.
	28 <sup>th</sup>	Craig Henderson Ryan Hays Wendy Milton
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Judi Norton Lisa Muller
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Juul



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