

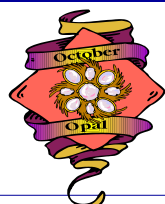
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PASTOR’S MESSAGE

“For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus...For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.” Romans 3:22b-24, 28 (ESV)

October of last year marked the 500th Anniversary of the start of the Reformation, commemorating when history tells us that Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg on October 31, 1517. His actions started a series of events that would eventually lead to the formation of several new denominations, including our own Lutheran Church (even though Luther himself never wanted his followers named after him). During last years celebrations many churches talked about the three *Sola*’s of the Reformation: *Sola Gratia* (Grace Alone); *Sola Fide* (Faith Alone); and *Sola Scriptura* (Scripture Alone). The expression “Justification by grace through faith,” derived from the Romans passage above, also was expounded frequently in conjunction with last year’s anniversary.

That teaching – that we are made right with God only by Christ Jesus and because of what He did for you and me on the cross – is an important one that we need to be reminded of from time to time. It’s all too easy for us to begin to think and act like so many in our world who believe that they must do something (or not do something) to make God happy. Many of the world religions commend or even command certain “good works” if one is a true believer and wishes to go to heaven, or attain enlightenment, or whatever the ultimate goal of the religion might be. God’s holy and infallible Word in Scripture tells us that simply is not the case; we are, indeed, made right with God as a gift of His grace that is made ours only through the saving faith in Christ Jesus that God alone gives.

But there’s another eternal truth taught in that passage above from Romans, a truth that we Christians sometimes forget. The Holy Spirit reminds us through Saint Paul that “There is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” All people sin; each and every single one of us is a sinner. It does not matter how good someone might seem, or how bad someone might act; from God’s perspective we’re all sinners. Now, to some that might sound like bad news, like depressing news, like the kind of thing that you don’t want Pastor to talk about too much – and I can understand that completely. It does not sound like a piece of cheery news, and I don’t like being reminded of my shortcomings and my sins any more than the next person, but it is good news.



It’s good news because God the Father sent His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to buy us sinners back from sin, death, and the devil with His sinless life and sacrificial death. It’s good news because God calls and gathers us sinners together into His body on earth, the Church, so that He might continually apply that forgiveness to you and to me, taking away our sins by His Word and Sacrament. (That’s why I go to Church – to have my faith strengthened, to be encouraged by my sisters and brothers in the faith, but most especially to have my sins forgiven.) Each and every person who walks through the doors of the Church on Sunday morning is a sinner – from the first to the last, from the Pastor in the front to the Ushers in the back – we all come in various stages of hurt and need, some more and some less, but we all come broken.

Sometimes our need is small enough that we are able to help and support other people in

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COME WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 am & 10:30 am
(Nursery Care Available - 10:30
am)

**Sunday School
&
Adult Bible Classes:**
9:10 am

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



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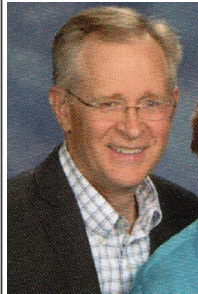
*Martha Medford-Organist &
Choir Director*

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NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL



At our September Council and Voters' Assembly meetings, at which we had excellent attendance, we heard reports from our Officers and Deacons about ministry activities over the recent summer months and plans for the upcoming weeks.

One of the administrative tasks we have each Fall is considering individuals to serve as Officers and Deacons in the following year. Each of the five Officers serve for a 1-year term and our Deacons serve for a term of 3 years; all are subject to a term limit of 6 consecutive years on our Church Council. In addition to the Officers, one Deacon position will be subject to election this fall – House and Grounds. Our Nominating Committee this fall includes Judy DiDomizio, Rob DeLaubell and Dave Schrumm. CLC members are invited to contact any of them if you are interested in filling an elected position, or if you would like to propose a candidate for election. We hold elections at our November Voters' Assembly meeting.

In particular, the shortfall was approximately \$13,000 through August 31st, or 7% behind our Plan. We normally experience some shortfall through the summer months, so I hope that you'll prayerfully consider how you will help us close the shortfall in our Plan during the next 3 months.

Voters' Assembly members regularly receive financial reports from our Financial Secretary and Treasurer. However, not every congregation member would be aware that, as we ended August, our collective offerings were tracking at less than our Mission Plan hoped. In particular, the shortfall was approximately \$13,000 through August 31st, or 7% behind our Plan. We normally experience some shortfall through the summer months, so I hope that you'll prayerfully consider how you will help us close the shortfall in our Plan during the next 3 months.

Also on the subject of finances, the Council and Voters Assembly received a draft Mission Plan for 2019 from our Finance Committee and the Committee will continue its work toward a final version over the next few weeks. At our November Voters meeting (on the 12th this year), we normally adopt our Mission Plan for the next year. I expect that Pastor Rowold may include a few mission and ministry goals for us as part of the Plan! Please begin considering also how you will be able to support next year's Plan.

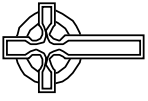
Our Church Council will meet again on Tuesday, October 16th at 7:00pm.

I hope to see you in church!

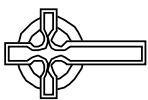
Bill

William C. Sherman
CLC Parish President

Reformation



БІЦ Салемдар



October

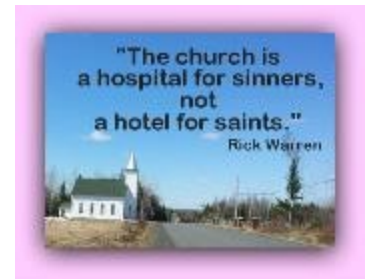
October Servants

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their time of great need, then we are able to minister to them. There are also times when we are the ones who are overburdened and overwhelmed, and then we are ministered to by them. Still, we are all broken and in need of the forgiveness and strength that only God can give; that's why God gave us the Church. It is a hospital for sinners, a place where the spiritually bleeding and broken come to be healed and restored, where the life-giving salve of God's Word and Sacrament are poured out richly on us all.

Church is also the place where we sing and rejoice, where we give thanks for the forgiveness and healing and strength we've received. It's where we celebrate all the blessings that God gives and all the milestones that He graces us to enjoy. Whether we're happy or hurting, broken or blessed, we're called to God's house... God's family... God's Church. There we all stand as sinners before the throne – sinners forgiven for Jesus' sake. I look forward to seeing you there.

In Christ,



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

The Sunday school children on September 23 sang "Never Let Me Go" which they learned at VBS this past summer. Thank you to Sarah Rowold, Grace & Max Mueller for leading in the motions!

Rally day was a huge success thanks to Judy DiDomizio who put the whole Rally Day together herself! She made all the Bible bingo cards. Thanks also to our students & parents for participating!



WE NEED YOUR HELP:

We will be forming a Sunday school committee to generate new ideas to enhance our Sunday school program and improve attendance. This is so that the planning does not fall onto 1 or two people. The committee will meet a few times a year to plan programs to encourage Faith & Christian fellowship. Any and all interested in participating on the committee please contact Judy DiDomizio or myself.

Prayerfully I will see you all there!

Thank You!

In Christ: Carlene Myers
Judy DiDomizio
Martha Medford



Our Sincere Appreciation

- ✦ Many thanks to the office staff for assembling the September Heavenly Herald! You are the BEST!
- ✦ Thanks to all who helped plan, work and help out for the Sunday School Rally Day. The kids had a great time! Special THANKS and Gracious Appreciation to Judy DiDomizio for all her hard work and dedication to our Sunday School program and kids
- ✦ Always we want to remember to thank all the folk that help out around the church, especially the Senior men! So much work needs to get done and does get done due to the hard work and dedication of so many unsung heroes! We are blessed and thank you from the bottom of our hearts!
- ✦ Gracious thank you to the **Z Group**, Randy Raddatz, the Mertz's, and Ed Schweizer for continuing to contribute plantings that beautify our Church property and around the Columbarium. Not only do they make contributions but they also work tirelessly to attend to them. THANK YOU
- ✦ Very Special thanks to the Evangelism Committee for representing CLC at the Cheshire Fall Festival



CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
October 7 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
October 10 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 14 - Sunday	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Youth Choir
	10:30 AM	Prelude Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Youth Choir
October 17 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 21 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
October 24 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 28 - Sunday <i>Reformation</i>	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
October 31 - Wednesday	Halloween—No Rehearsals!		



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.



THIS MONTH IN OUR HISTORY!...

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

October

October 31, 1517	Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany
October 11, 1953	Pastor Nuechterlein ordination into the Holy Ministry for Christ
October 2, 2012	Schlicker Pipe Organ rededication; guest organist Andrew Schaeffer

As Christians, it not uncommon for us to talk about “the saints who have gone before us” this time of year. As we approach All Saints’ Day on November 1, we remember those sisters and brother in the faith who have run their earthly race and now rest from their labors. We look forward to the day that we will be reunited with them around the throne of the Lamb in Heaven.

This year, our celebration of All Saints’ here at CLC will be a little different; actually, I should say “from this year on” our celebration will be different. The reason for that is simple: two of the saints who have gone before us now rest with us in our *Memorial Garden & Columbarium*. On September 1, our brother in Christ, Art Munter, was interred in the Columbarium and on September 22 Phil Kenney joined him. We rejoice at their lives of faith, and we wait for Jesus to come again and take us all to be with Him.

Arthur F. Munter, Sr.

February 08, 1929 - January 21, 2018

Mr. Arthur F. Munter Sr., 88, of Bethlehem, died peacefully on Sunday January 21, 2018 at St. Mary’s Hospital with his family by his side. He was the loving husband of Mary (Bianchini) Munter.

Arthur was born February 8, 1929 in Waterbury, son of the late Frederick and Minna (Klemmer) Munter. He proudly served his Country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. In 1969 he founded Munter Motor Cars, a successful car sales company he operated for many years. During his automotive career he founded, owned, and operated Bunker Hill Shell on Watertown Avenue and Rite Way Texaco on Bank Street. He was a true entrepreneur having sold cars throughout his entire career. Even after retirement he kept his dealers license and dabbled with cars until 2016. He was past president and an active member of the “Roaring 20’s Car Club.” He was a devout Christian and a long-time member of Cheshire Lutheran Church.

His memorial service was held Saturday January 27, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Cheshire Lutheran Church.

**Philip L. Kenney**

August 04, 1927 - November 22, 2013

Philip L. Kenney, 86, passed away Friday November 22, 2013 at the Masonic Health Care Facility in Wallingford. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Eleanor T. Kenney.

The son of the late George M. and Gladys (McKay) Kenney, he was born August 4, 1927 in Providence, RI. Philip proudly served in the United States Navy. He attended Brown University where he received a degree in Mechanical Engineering, and later earned a Master's degree from Harvard Business School.

Philip was the owner and chief executive officer of Dukon Plastic Molding Company in Berlin, CT from 1966-88, and then the owner and chief executive officer of MacDonald Medical Devices, Inc., in Cheshire, CT prior to his retirement. He was a long time and active member of Cheshire Lutheran Church.

His memorial service was held at 1 P.M. Saturday November 30, 2013 at Cheshire Lutheran Church.



NEED TO GET INFORMATION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION?

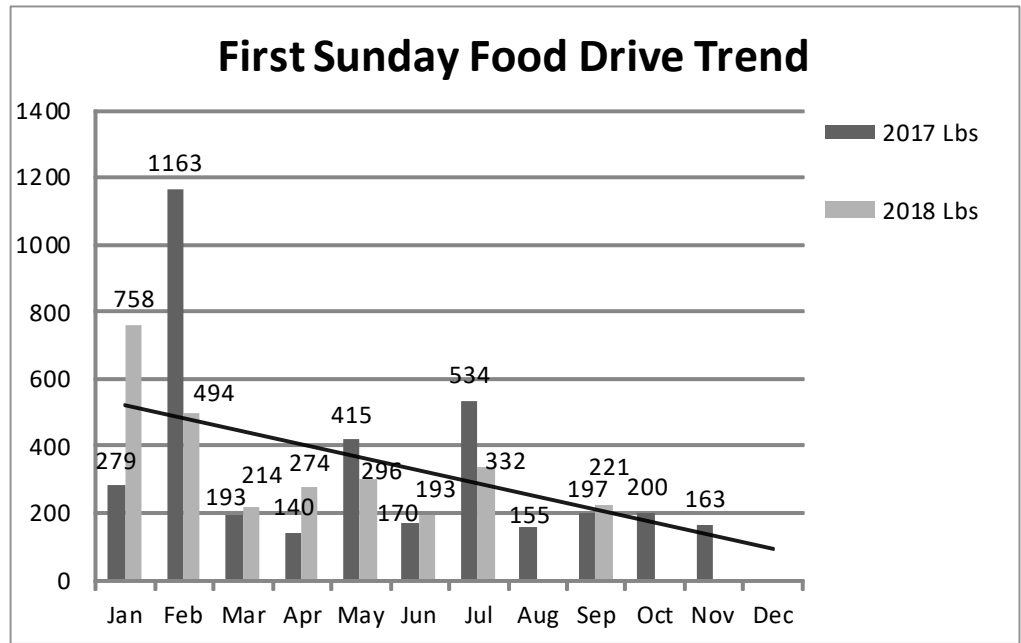
Just slip your information or a note into one of the folders on the hallway table outside the church office. Folders have been created for each of the council members, Beth Soulier (the editor of this newsletter) and a few others and placed outside the office. We have found that this is a great way to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



HELP WANTED

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry, Inc. is seeking new volunteers to assist on Tuesday or Thursday evenings. Hours are 2:30-6PM. Commitment include a few weeks of training either night with current volunteers. Once training & orientation is completed we could discuss the best evening and task you would like to be a part of. We are also seeking individuals willing to be on-call as needed. Jobs include shopping with clients, reception desk & administration, stocking shelves, sorting donations, helping donors drop-off food. Ability to lift 30lbs or more a plus, but not required. All volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact April Duquette for more information. aduquette@cheshirefoodpantry.org or 203.699.9226.

“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.



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!



CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs have resumed rehearsals. 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 STEWARDSHIP DEACON...

Summer has come and gone. As the third quarter ends, we will have an opportunity to see where we stand in relation to the Mission Plan.

As we head into Fall, this is when we initiate the preparations which provide us, as a congregation, the opportunity to continue God's plan here at CLC and in the community. One such opportunity comes in the form of our Mission Plan for 2019. The Finance Committee is working on a final draft.

The declared support of our members and friends through the submission of pledge cards is the foundation of the support and funding for the many worldwide and local ministries and our worship here at CLC. The official pledge drive will be starting shortly but I ask and encourage you to begin to reflect upon your financial stewardship commitment. If you have not pledged in the past, please consider making a pledge, no matter the amount, in keeping with your ability to help support God's work.

Just as importantly, please consider giving your time and talent. This is an invitation to get involved in any of the organizations and committees at CLC. This includes getting involved in the Voters' Assembly or Church Council by either attending meetings or even, possibly, holding an office. There is a Nominating Committee which is looking for people interested in fulfilling God's mission through service. Come attend a meeting and see for yourself the effort and dedication, along with the joy and reward, which goes into the operation of CLC. Stewardship is not just financial.

I appreciate all of the support the congregation has given to CLC this year in terms of time, talent, and treasure. It has helped to sustain the church and make it a wonderful place for us all to find fellowship and God's Love.

Please feel free to keep the various suggestions for fundraisers and activities coming.

Sincerely,

David Veleber
Stewardship Deacon



YOU SHOP. AMAZON GIVES...

If you happen to be an Amazon™ on-line shopper, Cheshire Lutheran Church is now a registered non-profit organization under the "Amazon Smile"™ program. So, whenever you shop on Amazon, instead go to www.smile.amazon.com, then log in, using your same username and password as you normally would on the traditional Amazon site. You will be asked to select a charity, by browsing the list of registered organizations and selecting Cheshire Lutheran Church. Amazon Smile will donate .5% (that is .005) of the amount you purchase to CLC.

Here is a sample of the screen that you will see after completing a purchase:



You Shop. Amazon Gives

Again, the Amazon Smile website is www.smile.amazon.com

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...

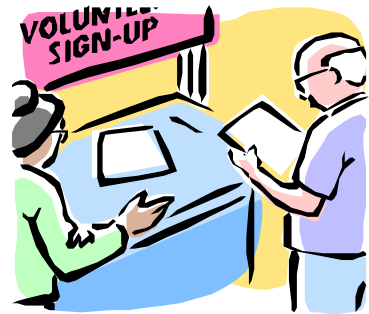
Save your returnable Bottle and Cans. Money raised will benefit Little Cherubs. A collection box is located in the storage closet towards the back of the Fellowship Hall.

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
- † Greeters Needed—See Signup on the Bulletin Board
- † Cheshire Food Drive Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- † Hope Center 2018 volunteer sign-ups
- † 2018 Usher Schedule
- † Apple Pies are Coming—See volunteer sign up and instructions on ordering pies for the upcoming Holidays
- † Sunday Coffee Hour Sign-Up
- † Car Needed—Urgent need for a low cost car—Contact the Church Office
- † Lutheran Home looking for Walmart Gift Card donations—to give as gifts to residents



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
- † Helping Hands - Contact the church office (203-272-5106) or Sally Schrumm (203-710-0753) if you would like to be a member of the helping hands committee or if you are in need.
- † 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.



NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...

Greetings to all,

Little Cherubs is up and running full force ahead. We started with our open house on August 30th. We had at least 45 people in our classroom along with the students. It went very well.

Our school year started September 4th with the 3 – year – old’s and September 5th with the 4 – year – old’s. We have 8 three - year – old’s and 20 four – year – old’s. WOW!

We started our school year with creating placemats for snack and for lunch. The children colored in a butterfly and we put their names on them and then they were laminated. Our Theme for the first 3 weeks was Creation in the Bible.

Week 1:

The theme was “All About Me”. We read the story “I am Special” and “5 People in My Family”, “Circle of Friends”. For art we made a mirror, and worked on letter A. The children made a family tree, a making friends book and a rainbow. For math they were measured to see how tall they are and they worked on number 1. We played together shape and color Bingo.

Week 2:

Colors were the theme. The story “Bears Sees Colors” was read, “Mouse’s First Day of School,” “Strega Nona”, “Mouse Painted”. For art they finger painted on the Table and then rubbed a white piece of paper over the paint to see what picture they made. The pictures were great. The letter of the week was Letter B. Art was Rainbows, Strega Nona and the Pasta Pot, Hot air Balloon Cutting, and Math consisted of #2 and Eye Color Charting.

Week 3:

Shapes were the theme. The story of “Shape of Things” and “Bear in a Square” was read. For art they made a shape collage and shape rings. Letter C was the letter they worked on. They sorted and for the number it was #3. For the 4’s we read Tomie dePaolo “Pancakes for Breakfast” and we made pancakes for snack. On the 22nd we celebrated the birth of the ice cream cone. So, on Friday the 21st we had ice cream with waffle cones. We played number Bingo and created a picture with fall leaves using our arm and fingers as the tree trunk and branches.

Week 4:

The theme was “Fall Season”, “Apples” and Bible was “Adam and Eve.” The story was “Its Apple Picking Time”. Art time was apple plates. We went on a fall walk and made a collage. Letter D and for math number 4 was accomplished and they worked on sorting. The children helped cook apple sauce.

As you can see Little Cherubs was very busy. The children have now adjusted to being back or just beginning. What great classes we have.

We look forward to us sharing our school year as it progresses.

God Bless to All,
Miss JoAnn, Miss Martha and Miss Cindy



SHOP AT PATRICK BAKER & SONS...CLC GETS 10%...

Patrick Baker & Son’s, 1650 West Street, Southington, has initiated a program that can earn cash rebates for CLC. 10% of purchases will be deposited in the church’s account. Simply give them Cheshire Lutheran’s name when shopping in the store. If purchasing through the web, visit www.Churchgoods.com; when checking out, select CLC as your church and place the provided church ID# in the church code box.





HOW TO REACH PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY...

If there is no answer in the Church Office, Pastor Rowold may be reached on his cell phone at (203) 800-5495.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING ELECTIONS...

The following Officers and Deacon are to be elected at the Voters' Assembly meeting to be held on Monday, November 12th at 7:00pm:

- ✝ President
- ✝ Vice-President
- ✝ Recording Secretary
- ✝ Financial Secretary
- ✝ Treasurer
- ✝ House and Grounds Deacon

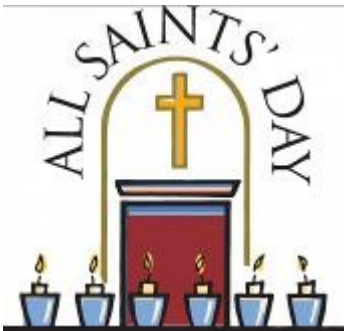
CLC members are invited to contact any member of the Nominating Committee if you are interested in filling an elected position, or if you would like to propose a candidate for election.

Our Nominating Committee members this year are:

- ✝ Judith DiDomizio
- ✝ Rob DeLaubell
- ✝ David Schrumm.



HOW TO CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS DAY AS A LUTHERAN...



Although the Lutheran church honors saints, it does not share the Catholic view of a saint's abilities. Lutherans do not believe that saints can receive prayers or intercede for a petitioner because, according to the church, there is no evidence to support this in the scriptures. A saint, in the Lutheran Church, is anyone who believes in Jesus Christ, who tries to live an exemplary life and is an example of what everyone else can aspire to.

Attend service at a Lutheran church. If All Saints Day, does not fall on a Sunday, most Lutheran churches will celebrate on the Sunday before November 1. If you are unable to go to church, you could conduct your own service at home by going through the readings for the day and singing the hymns.

Learn what it means to be a saint. In every day use, this word is usually applied to the elderly, children who behave well, people who work hard, people who usually have cheerful dispositions and, in the Catholic Church, those canonized by the Pope. The Lutheran Church considers all who believe in Jesus Christ, both living and dead, to be saints.

Remember those who passed away after the last All Saints Day celebration.

Aspire to be saintly. The church encourages members to examine the lives of saints who have passed away in order to learn from them. The amount of faith a person has usually determines how they deal with situations and people and also determines how they live their lives.

Spend the day in quiet reflection. Members of the Lutheran church usually spend the day thinking about friends and relatives, both deceased and living, and being thankful to God for them.

Explain to children the meaning and importance of All Saints Day as a Lutheran. Perform activities with them to help them understand the significance of this day. For instance, sing hymns and read stories of people in the Bible and tell stories about people you know who are good examples of saints according to Lutheran beliefs.





2018 - 45 Years of Giving

The Cheshire Food Drive

First Saturday & Sunday in November



9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

On the "Church Green" in Cheshire Center

WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit, tax-exempt organization drawing committee members and support from all areas of Cheshire in our goal to feed our neighbors.

WHAT WE DO

- ↳ Sponsor collections of food at schools and local businesses during the month of October, culminating in our November public collection on the town green to stock the *Cheshire Food Pantry* located at St. Bridget's Church which serves over 100 families of all faiths.
- ↳ Financially support the *Food Voucher Program* administered through the Cheshire Department of Human Services to provide unrestricted food assistance to Cheshire families in need of short-term emergency help.

WHAT WE NEED

Food donations of high nutritional value - cans and boxes please

Canned meat	Boxed snacks	Powdered Milk	Tomato sauces
Peanut Butter	Pasta and Rice	Tuna Fish	Granola bars
Vegetables	Soups and Stews	Juices/Juice boxes	Cereal

Monetary Donations - Please make checks payable to :

CESHIRE FOOD DRIVE PO Box 926 Cheshire, CT 06410 - 0926



**CESHIRE
FOOD
DRIVE** INC.

First full weekend in November
Congregational Church Green

Shopping List

- Cash for vouchers
- Shelf-stable milk
- Granola bars/snacks
- Canned chicken/meat
- Cereal
- Condiments
- Flour/sugar/baking
- Tuna fish
- Salt/pepper/spices
- Rice/grains
- Coffee/tea/cocoa
- Pasta & sauce
- Soups/stews
- Canned/dried beans
- Canned tomatoes
- Fruit cups
- Juice boxes
- Nut butters

Among all the other items listed above and to the left, the Cheshire Food Pantry is especially in need of:

- stews/chowders
- Spam
- Hash
- cannellini beans
- Coffee
- Crackers
- pudding
- peanut butter
- Sugar
- Flour
- canned tomatoes
- paper towels

NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our 2018 Orphan Grain Train project. Donations were collected through August 19th. We packed 51 school kits this year.

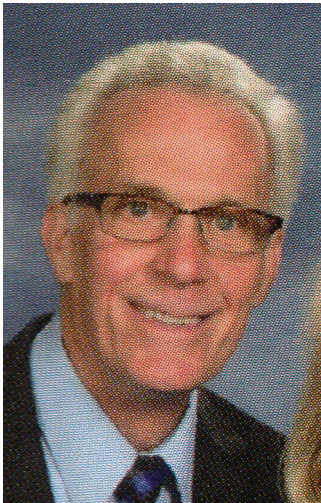


Later in August, the kits were delivered to the OGT warehouse in Terryville, CT. This was an amazing sight to see. The entire first floor of the warehouse is dedicated to the OGT. There the volunteers sort and pack donations that are dropped off by working for 3 hours every Monday and Tuesday morning. 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.

Dottie Dierolf
Social Welfare Deacon

NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...



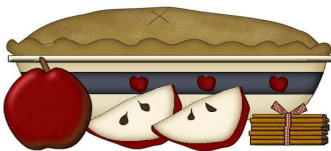
On Saturday September 15, Cheshire Lutheran Church and Little Cherubs Preschool were part of the Cheshire Fall Festival. It was a great opportunity to meet people, hand out Bibles and information brochures, take prayer requests and describe our church and preschool program. Thank you to everyone who helped with this event and to those members who stopped by during the day.

Our presence at the Fall Festival is just one example of how each and every one of us represents CLC. If you know of someone (family, friends, co-workers or new people within town) whose life would be enhanced by becoming part of our church community, extend an invitation to attend one of our services. Alternatively, contact Pastor or one of the members of the Evangelism Committee for help.

Alan Spose
Evangelism Deacon

APPLE PIES ARE COMING...

APPLE PIES ARE COMING!!
October 27th at 8:30 a.m.



The CLCW will be hosting its annual Apple Pie Workshop on the last **Saturday in October 27th at 8:30 a.m.** The number of pies that will be made will depend on the number of pies that are pre-ordered by the members of the congregation and their friends.

Order forms can be found on the counter in the entry hall way. So, order your pies and, if you are able, come to the workshop and participate in the fun of making them.

Any questions, please call Karen Weiland at 203-250-1574.

NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

You are cordially invited to be a:

- ✠ **Reader**
- ✠ **Usher**
- ✠ **Greeter**
- ✠ **Singer or Ringer**
- ✠ **Altar Guild**

When: Sunday Mornings (for the most part)

Where: 660 West Main Street, Cheshire CT

RSVP 272-5106

Our weekly services don't just happen. For a typical four Sunday month, there can be at least 70 "periods of service" when members usher, acolyte read lessons greet other members before service and prepare the altar. (and this does not count the choir's musical offerings that make our worship special").

When you attend service, you witness these "periods of service" and you benefit from them. Will you ascent the invitation to help in some Way?

Will you answer like Isaiah?....."Here I am Lord. Send me."

Please contact the church office or David Schrumm, Worship Deacon for more information on how you can serve.



NEW ON OUR WEBSITE...WWW.CHESHIRELUTHERAN.ORG

The following has been recently added to our Website:

- ✠ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists, Choirs and Sunday School
- ✠ Current and Past Heavenly Heralds
- ✠ Video recordings from many past events
- ✠ Pictures from special events
- ✠ Audio and Video recordings of Pastors Sermons and other events
- ✠ Pictures, pictures, pictures from all our past events other miscellaneous photos taken in and around the Church by Tim Weiland
- ✠ Much, much more...



2018 PASTOR'S PILGRIMS JOURNEYS TO ISREAL, GERMANY, OBERAMMERGAU AND SCOTLAND IN 2019, 2020 AND 2021...

A TRAVEL INFORMATION MEETING WILL BE HELD AT CLC ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH AT 3P.M.

Presenting upcoming "Pastors Pilgrims" trips will be Pastor Greg Wismar and Ben Cross, from GLOBUS travel.

Planned journeys are to Israel in Lent of 2019, to Germany and the Oberammergau Passion Play in 2020 and to Scotland and the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo in 2021.

An "appetizer pot luck" format is planned and all are invited to attend.



SO, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO HELP?...

Are you serving as an acolyte, an altar assistant, an usher, a reader, or a choir member? All of these folks help to make our services happen on Sunday morning; it's because of their involvement and participation that our services are as rich, and full, and well run as they are. If you are not serving in one of these ways, please do. We are currently looking for readers, ushers, and choir members (youth and adult and handbell).



If you can sing, please join the youth or adult choir. If you can't sing, then please be a reader. If you can't read in front of people, then be an usher. If you can't walk up and down the aisles to collect the offering, please join the bell choir. We have ways that just about every member of our family of faith can help – all we need is you. To join one of the choirs, speak to Martha Medford. To be a reader or an usher, speak to David Schrumm.



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!!

(November 2018 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (soulierbeth@sbcglobal.net) by Friday **October 19th** 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!



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 with "CLC Music" in the subject line. Recipient addresses will not appear in the music email. We would be happy to include you.

Most music offerings can also be found on our CLC Website.

Judy & Bill Juul



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

Volunteers are be needed to prepare, serve and clean up for the between service Coffee Hour. 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!

THRIVENT CONGREGATIONAL ADVOCATE UPDATE...

Thrivent continues to practice their belief that all we have is a gift from God and generosity is an expression of faith. In response to the devastation and destruction caused by Hurricane Florence, Thrivent has developed a matching program. Thrivent will match personal donations made through their website to certain organizations that are listed. The best part of this program is that both members and non-members can be part of this giving program. The link to the Disaster Response page is:

<https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/disaster-response>

Just click on the “+” sign by “Hurricane Florence” to expand the description and see the details about making a donation. This program will end December 31, 2018 or once the \$1 million limit is met, whichever comes first.

Thrivent members can also allocate Choice Dollars to one of the designated organizations listed. This can also be done on line or by calling Thrivent directly at 800-847-4836.

As a reminder to all Thrivent members, please keep on top of allocating your Choice Dollars! If you are unsure of whether or not you have Choice Dollars available, you can call Thrivent and one of the representatives can help you.

Action Team funds can always be used within our church. Most recently, Action Team money was used to help with the cost of the First Responder Appreciation Luncheon. If any Thrivent member has questions on the Action Team program, or how to use the Action Team funds available, please contact Alan Spose (203-623-1650) or Mark Manning (203-241-0858).

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
Let's thrive!

Don't forget to direct
Choice Dollars®



SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF FOR 2018—2019...

Please make sure you thank and show your appreciation to the wonderful volunteers that make up our 2018/2019 school year staff:

LOWER ELEMENTARY:

Tricia Rowold, Terri Daly & Carlene Myers

UPPER ELEMENTARY:

Lynn Balash, Christina Plantier & Pam Clark

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Paul Emerick, Elizabeth Shick & Judy DiDomizio

HIGH SCHOOL:

Jonathan Schrumm, Erich Strunk & David Schrumm



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.





CLC HELPING HANDS...

"Helping Hands" of CLC is designed to match members talents and time availability with those in need within our church family. In the past, this has formally included meal preparation and transportation needs and occasional visitation. Informally, there is a lot of helping "behind the scenes" from women and men in the congregation who see a need and respond to it. It is likely there are others who have needs and those who would be inclined to help but are unaware of the needs. Helping Hands is organized to meet the needs of both groups, men and women, singles and families.

Please consider requesting assistance such as meals, transportation, occasional errands, minor household repairs, and visitors.

Those able to offer occasional time and your talents, please sign up on the bulletin board, indicating your "offering".

Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Please contact the church office (203-272-5106) or me (203-710-0753) to request assistance or for any concerns or questions. Please note that all Information will be confidential.

Sally Schrumm, Chairman



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.

The logo for the Hope Pregnancy Center. It features the word "HOPE" in a large, bold, green serif font, with a small blue butterfly icon to its right. Below "HOPE" is the words "Pregnancy Center" in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. The entire logo is enclosed in a white rounded rectangle with a grey drop shadow.

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.

COLUMBARIUM UPDATE...

The Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee has been busy lately. Several Memorial Plaques have been ordered and installed, several Inurnment Subscriptions have been secured and our first two inurnments have been placed within the wall.

During the month of September 2018 our brothers in Christ, Art Munter and Phil Kenney's ashes were interred into our Columbarium Wall. It has been an honor for the Committee to assist with our Congregants and their families in securing their final resting plans at CLC.

The Committee is also creating a Memorial Garden and Columbarium informational pamphlet that will summarize the purpose of the site as well as answer some frequently asked questions.

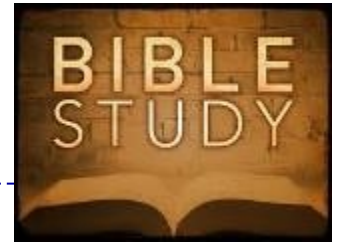
Stay tuned for more information in October from the Committee and Pastor.



Bible Studies at CLC

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...

Sunday morning Bible study continues on Sundays between our services at 9:10 a.m. in the Library. Currently we're taking a look at writings sometimes called "Lost Books;" they're pieces of ancient literature that some people think might belong in the Bible, but aren't. We're talking about why we have the books in the Bible that we do, and why these other writings are not.



WALKTHROUGH WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY...

Wednesday afternoon's at 1:30 p.m. we will continue with "Walkthrough Wednesdays" where we pick a book of the Bible and work our way through it. Join us in the Library.

We are walking through the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke; we're currently still in chapter one, so read through it briefly and stop on by.



THURSDAY AFTERNOON MEN'S AND LADIES BIBLE STUDY GROUPS...

We will continue with Men's and Ladies' Bible studies; both of these will meet twice a month on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. as follows:

- ✠ Ladies meeting 2nd and 4th Thursdays
- ✠ Men meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays

The Ladies are looking at "Great Women of Bible" and the Men's study is "Reel to Real," where we're looking at how fishing relates to faith and life.

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.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN...

The start of the new year in the public schools also brought with it the start of Confirmation classes – and, yes, I said classes plural.

This year there are two Confirmation Classes, a High School class and a Junior High class.

Letters were sent out to all CLC youth between 7th and 10th grades and their parents, inviting them to participate and seeking their input regarding class scheduling.

If you are a youth or parent of a youth in that range and you did not receive a letter, please contact the church office.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 2018

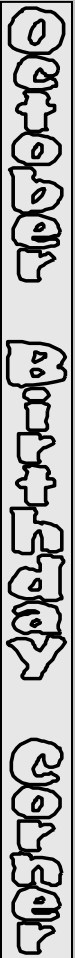
1 st	Craig & Rachel Henderson	13 Years
	Jeff & Karen Hays	13 Years
3 rd	Charles & Debra Caron	26 Years
5 th	Jim & Janice Schaff	27 Years
6 th	Jon & Eva Schrumm	34 Years
	Frank & Martha Medford	39 Years
7 th	David & Regina Lynch	11 Years
10 th	Bill & Beth Soulier	31 Years
12 th	Bill & Judy Juul	55 Years
13 th	John & Diane Taylor	28 Years
14 th	Alfred & Helen Mayer	51 Years
18 th	Don & Arta Dobbs	38 Years
20 th	Michael & Carolyn Carrington	17 Years
22 nd	David & Anne McBain	24 Years
23 rd	Alan & Donna Spose	36 Years
28 th	Scott & April Slauson	23 Years



COUNCIL MEETING REMINDER...



Council will meet Tuesday, October 16 at 7:00 pm .



- 1st Kelly Lenz
- 3rd Mary Beth Blair
Grace Wilde
- 6th Frank Vasi
- 7th Matthew Plantier
- 8th Kelley Collins-Pardee
- 10th Louis Nuechterlein
Abigail Lynch
John Balash, Jr.
- 11th Grace Muller
- 12th Jonah Tyler
- 15th Timothy Fiedler
Sarah Rowold
- 16th Brandon Feero
- 17th Nicole Daly
Matthew Blair
- 18th Benjamin DeLaubell
- 21st Karen Bailey
Marilyn Miller
- 24th Avery Clark
Edward Schweizer
Rachel Henderson
- 25th Holly Flugrath
- 26th Donald DePaolo



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