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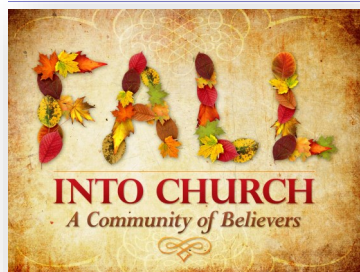
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## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6 (ESV)

The same thing seems to happen every year. It feels as though it takes forever for Summer to get here. When it does finally arrive, it flies by so quickly that you have no idea where the time went. Suddenly, Summer is over, the school year is starting, and Autumn is close at hand. This year has been no exception and with special activities every month of the Summer, the season seemed to fly by even faster.

June saw our Youth hosting a TAG sale to raise funds for their trip to the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX; that sale ended up being extended to a second weekend and was a huge success thanks to their hard work, your donations & purchases, and a big helping hand from Bill Soulier and so many more of our adult members. In July, three of those Youth made the trip down to Houston, partnering with a group from Immanuel Lutheran in Bristol, CT. During August, CLC once again had Vacation Bible School, which had an enrollment of 70 kids from Pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, reached daily attendance numbers in the mid-60's, and involved 15 teenage volunteers from our congregation and the surrounding community.

With the end of Summer rapidly approaching, our thoughts turn to the start-of-a-new-School-year task of "training up our children," both in the secular school setting and in the context of Sunday School and Bible study. And yet, as much as we tend to think of this as a 9-month September to June activity, the work of training our children and youth in the Christian faith is not limited to the times and seasons that the public schools are in session. Even though Sunday School and Bible study have been on hiatus here at CLC since early June, we have been training our children in the faith throughout the Summer.

That training was most obvious on the August days when VBS was in session, as children from Cheshire and the surrounding communities learned the Old Testament story of Joseph and also about our Lord Jesus' death and resurrection, but it wasn't just those days. That training took place in July as three young ladies traveled from CLC to Houston and participated in worship, study, and service with 20,000 (that's TWENTY THOUSAND) other Christian young women and men at the LCMS National Youth Gathering. It even happened in June as Christian care, service, and support were taught by the volunteers that helped make the TAG sale possible.

Far too often, we think of "Train up a child in the way he should go" as a Sunday school, Bible study, Confirmation Class, intentional instruction activity. It is not. We presume that it is a responsibility relegated only to parents, possibly grandparents, teachers, and the Pastor. It is not. We act as though it is something that only happens when we decide to intentionally take up the task. It is not.

"Train up a child in the way he should go" takes place everywhere – in Church, at home, driving in the car, while on vacation. Each and every one of us who bears the name of Christ is involved in the task, not just the afore mentioned parents/grandparents and teachers/pastors, but siblings, aunts & uncles, friends, neighbors, and even people we don't know so well; it is a task that belongs to each and every member of the family of believers because everything that we say and do provides an example to our fellow Christians and teaches them about the faith that is in us. "Train up a child in the way he should go" also happens in those moments when we are not intending to teach anything and may not even realize it is happening; it

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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 Day)



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*Rev. Dr. David P. Rowold, PhD  
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Choir Director*

*Jeff Mann-Parish President*

*Beth Soulier-Editor*



## **NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

### **AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

Greetings all,

Summer is over and it is time to get our beloved Heavenly Herald back into circulation. I hope you all had a healthy, safe and rewarding summer. Although COVID continues to rear its ugly self, at least things have returned normal enough to allow us to spend quality time with family and friends! Hopefully, this thing goes away at some point, but more and more it seems something we will just have to learn to live with.

Summer began with Pastor Nuechterlein presiding over the Right of Confirmation as the class of 2022 celebrated the culmination of two years of challenging work. This was somewhat bittersweet for the graduates in that Pastor Rowold was unable to preside due to illness. Pastor Rowold led these confirmands from start to finish and was missed by all. We are truly blessed to have Pastor Nuechterlein ready and willing to assist whenever the need arises and he is a blessing to us all!

One of the highlights of summer was our annual Vacation Bible School, attended by fifty elementary school children and twenty preschoolers from CLC, the Cheshire community and beyond. This is a fabulous community outreach program and a wonderful opportunity for Christian fellowship with our youngest generation.

Thank you to Tricia Rowold and the multitude of volunteers of all ages that came together to make this amazingly successful event happen! It takes a lot of people to conduct a large-scale event such as this and year after year we continue to pull it off in spectacular fashion. My seven-year-old Grandson Jeffrey III attended his 1<sup>st</sup> VBS this year. When he came home after his first day, we asked how he liked it. He replied that he did not like it, HE LOVED IT!! Sounds like a solid assessment to me.

Although it is always nice to see different members throughout the summer single service schedule, it is also nice to have the opportunity to return to the schedule that best fits into our individual life situations & preferences. We will be returning to our 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Sunday service schedule beginning September 11<sup>th</sup> and will also be kicking off another year of Sunday school with our annual Rally Day.

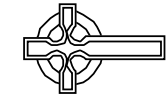
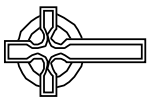
Our next Council meeting is Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and our next meeting of the Voters' Assembly is on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 service. One of the many essential functions on the agenda will be the establishment of the Nominating Committee to identify new officers and deacons to fill projected openings. Please give prayerful consideration to either serving on this committee or accepting a position on the council.

See you in church!

Yours in Christ,

Jeff Mann  
Council President

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# CLC Calendar

## September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 Bulletin Pick-Up	2	3
4 9:00 Communion	5	6 7:00 Council Meeting 1st Day Little Cherubs Christian Preschool	7 7:15 Bell Choir 8:00 Parish Choir	8 10:00 Bulletin Pick-Up	9	10 Visit CLC's booth at Cheshire Fall Festival
11 8:00 Worship 9:00 Rally Day 10:30 Fellowship/Install- ation of SS teachers 11:30 Voters' Meeting	12	13	14 5:30 Choirs Picnic	15 10:00 Bulletin Pick-Up	16	17
18 8:00 Communion 9:10 SSchool, Bible Study & Fellowship 10:00 Parish Choir 10:30 Communion	19	20	21 1:30 Bible Study 7:15 Bell Choir 8:00 Parish Choir	22 10:00 Bulletin Pick-Up	23	24 Quilts of Valor
25 7:20 Bell Choir 8:00 Worship 9:10 SSchool, Bible Study & Fellowship 10:30 Worship	26	27	28 1:30 Bible Study 7:15 Bell Choir 8:00 Parish Choir	29	30	

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SEPTEMBER SERVERS LIST

<u>(month)</u>	<u>Readers/Altar Assistants</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Ushers (month)</u>	<u>Choir</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
	<i>(I) = Individual Cups; (C) = Common Cup</i>				
September 4	9:00 - Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (I) – Alan Spose - Philemon 1:21 – Alan Spose		9:00 (Sept 4) Rob DeLaubell Frank Miller	Soloist	Pam Clark Marilyn Miller
September 11	8:00 - Ezekiel 34:11-24 – Karen Baily - 1 Timothy 1:12-27 – Lynn Balash		8:00 John Shepard Bill Sherman		
10:30	- Ezekiel 34:11-24 – David Zeppieri - 1 Timothy 1:12-27 – Bill Soulier		10:30 Rob DeLaubell Curtis Pryde		
September 18	8:00 - Amos 8:4-7 (I) – John Balash - 1 Timothy 2:1-15 – John Balash				
10:30	- Amos 8:4-7 (I) – David Veleber - 1 Timothy 2:1-15 – David Veleber			Parish	
September 25	8:00 - Amos 6:1-7 – Bill Sherman - 1 Timothy 3:1-13 – John Shepard			Bells	
10:30	- Amos 6:1-7 – Christina Plantier - 1 Timothy 3:1-13 – Rob DeLaubell			Bells	

Attention Readers, Altar Servers and Acolytes –  
Reminder – You are responsible for getting a substitute if you are unable to serve on your assigned date. If you need a substitute list, please call the church office.



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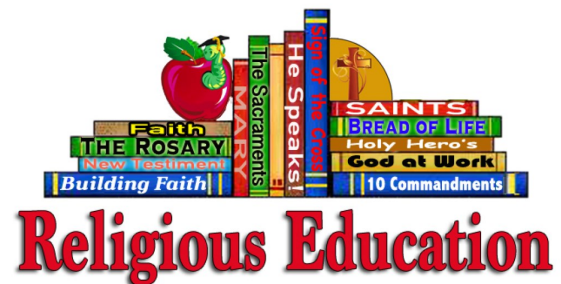
occurs when Christians younger than ourselves see us dealing with frustration, disappointment, anger, pain, hurt, fear, and all the rest of the emotions and situations that try our faith.

Each day, all of us are involved in training the younger generations of believers in the Christian faith. Everything that we say and do teaches them volumes about what a Christian believes, how they act, what they say. Believers the age of great-grandparents are training those the age of grandparents, parents, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Each generation is involved in training up those younger than them, and even others within their own generation. It can even work the other way around, as the youngest among us often share the most compelling and heartwarming expressions of the Christian faith.

Our thoughts do naturally turn to Christian education at this time of year and the noble task to "train up a child in the way he should go," but it is happening year-round throughout our lives. We are all involved in the task of teaching the faith – to the younger generations, to all the fellow members of the body of Christ, and we are even teaching non-believers about the faith that we claim to have. It is happening all the time, even those times when we unintentionally teach lessons that we wish we were not teaching.

Please join me in intentionally teaching the Christian faith to the people in your life. Willingly, joyfully share your belief in Jesus Christ with the people around you. Do it by providing an example in what you say and how you live your life. If you're willing, you can even do it in a more formal setting – we could still use some Substitute teachers for Sunday School, and a person to join Andy Clark in leading the High School Bible study would be wonderful. Together, let us help to train up each and every child of God in the way we should go, and by God's grace may we never depart from it.

In Christ,  
Pastor Rowold



## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

Welcome to the 2022-2023 Sunday School year. We have lots of opportunities for learning about God's Word this year. In the fall we will focus on some highlights of the Jesse Tree, Christ's Family Tree. This part of our year will culminate in a Sunday School Christmas program on Sunday, December 18, during which the students will be able to share a little of what they have been learning with the congregation through readings recitations and song.

January to June will focus on lessons from the small Catechism and Bible stories that go with them. This second part of the year students will be able to share their knowledge in a family Bible Trivia contest on the last day of 2 services in June.

Our Christian Education staff members this year are: Pre-K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade teachers Terri Daly and Erica Bencivenga, 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade teachers Lynn Balash and Pam Clark, 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade teachers Tricia Rowold and Susan Harris, Youth Bible Study leader Andy Clark, Adult Study leader Pastor Rowold and Education Deacon Craig Wilson.

Our first day will be September 11, 2022. This will be Rally Day and the first day back to 2 services for the school year. We will have prayer, music, food, Bible trivia and crafts. There will be something for all ages, so bring your whole family out to our open event at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 11. Please stay for the 10:30 service on Sept. 11, where we will install our 2022 -2023 Sunday School teachers.

Join us as we explore God's word for all ages this school year!

Tricia Rowold  
Sunday School Superintendent



# Service Reminder!

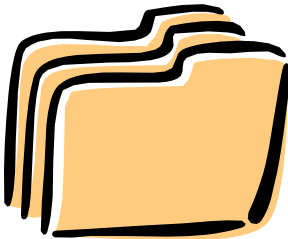
We will resume our 2 Service Sunday Schedule on *Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>*

- ✝ **Sunday Worship Services** at 8:00 and 10:30 AM
- ✝ **Sunday School** Rally Day will be held at 9:10 AM on September 11; classes in their respective classrooms starting September 18
- ✝ **Adult Sunday School/Bible Study** at 9:10 AM in the Library starting September 18
- ✝ **Fellowship/Coffee Hour** between Services in the Fellowship Hall starting September 18



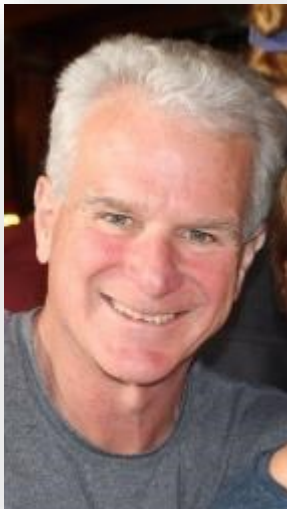
## FALL SERVICE SCHEDULE...

Beginning Sunday, September 11, 2022, we will be returning to our School-year schedule of two services on Sunday morning at 8 AM and 10:30 AM. The 8 AM service will continue to be streamed out live via YouTube for anyone who is unable to join us in person for the service and it will be available for viewing via the direct link sent out in the weekly email from the Church office.



## 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.



## NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY...

### Reminders from Your Friendly Neighborhood Financial Secretary:

- ✝ If you have Pledge envelopes PLEASE use them, having to lookup members envelope numbers can lead to human error.
- ✝ Please remember to mark on the outside of your offering envelopes with the exact amount of money enclosed. This is a very important check and balance for us.
- ✝ If you've been absent for some time and want to bring your offerings up to date, kindly use ONE rather than MANY envelopes - since the fewer envelopes our financial assistants must handle, the lighter their workload.
- ✝ PLEASE do not post-date checks.
- ✝ PLEASE use black or blue ink for your checks. Our friendly bank tellers thank you.

Alan Santoro—Financial Secretary

# NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING REPORT...

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Thank you to everyone who supported us as we fundraised and worked towards going to the LCMS National Youth Gathering this past July! Thanks to your support, we were able to have an awesome experience that strengthened our faith in both visible and invisible ways.

During our time in Houston, a lot happened. One of the awesome things about the Gathering was seeing just how many other Lutheran youth there are in our Synod and seeing that we aren't the only ones, whether it was the youth we went to the gathering with from Immanuel in Bristol, or the youth from around the country that we were able to meet and interact with at the mass events, sessions during the days, and at the service event that we attended on one of our days there.

Speaking of the sessions and mass events, why don't we tell you a little bit about them? The sessions during the days covered many things from interacting in person, to other topics like how to handle social media, all the way to concerts from groups like Apollo LTD and Remedy Drive. Even if none of the sessions seemed interesting at a certain time slot or if you had an odd amount of time to use around lunch or before going to a district event, there was a floor with some games and a bunch of different booths from the Concordia Colleges, groups like the LWML and the LCEF, and even some fun things like a rock climbing wall and a truck called the Semisaurus, where they talked about how dinosaurs fit into creation the way we are taught it through the Bible and how science and faith can work together.

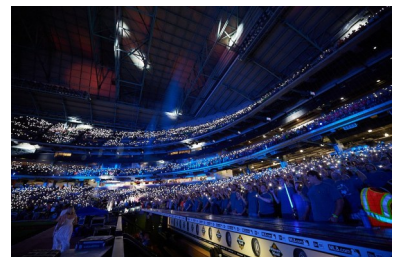
The mass events at the end of each day started with some fun things before the mass events themselves started, like races between the mascots from the different colleges, random games like "there's a snake in my boot" and dance offs. Even "country karaoke", where they made the gathering band take popular songs from pop artists and play them in a country style, along with singing them in a country style as well. The actual mass events had various different skits and lessons to make points to us. One that really stuck out was about how middle words aren't final words, and how even words like death are middle words because Christ conquered even death through His crucifixion and resurrection.

Of course, we can't forget about the one mass event plus we had.... The For King and Country concert! Everyone was up on their feet. The adults may have even been more excited about that one than the kids! It was awesome, though, to be able to hear the band play and to hear them speak on a few things. Along with mass events and sessions, there were a few other things that happened while we were there.

One was of course our District event at the Aquarium. As much as the food was awesome, it was so cool to meet other youth from our own District. Plus, we got to learn about all kinds of sea creatures and go on a few fun rides like a shark train that went through a tunnel shaped aquarium full of sharks like tiger sharks, and even a Ferris Wheel that went really high up and you could see a decent bit of Houston from the top of it. Plus, the carousel at the aquarium was sea animals like sea horses instead of the typical horses and unicorns. Oh yeah! One of the exhibits at the aquarium was actually a Bengal Tiger!

The second thing we had was a community service event. We helped pack personal hygiene kits at Bread of Life in Houston. The hygiene kits were for members of the Houston community who were in need and possibly even homeless. It was a lot of work, but it was still awesome working with the folks at Bread of Life and we were so glad to be able to help serve the Houston community!

The last thing during the gathering before we came back home was the mass event that was the Communion service. While it was nice hearing the synod president preach and the service itself was great, it was certainly different to have to go to a hallway behind us to receive supposed to walking towards the front! With the sheer volume of people, they had to keep adding more hymns to the communion section, which is understandable since there were 20,000 youth plus all of their chaperones, and the volunteers and YAVs (Young Adult Volunteers) as well.



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## NEWS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP DEACON...

### Summer:

Karen Weiland continued the Lunch on the Lawn through the end of August. It was well attended by many members. Thank you to Karen and to all those who attended.

Thank you also to all those who graciously served Lemonade on the Lawn after the Sunday services. These opportunities for fellowship could not happen without so many offering to assist and it is greatly appreciated.

### Autumn:

As Autumn approaches, the change of seasons brings a renewed spirit. Let's come together for Coffee Hours indoors following the 8AM Sunday worship services, beginning September 18<sup>th</sup>. Please join us and, if you're so inclined, sign up to set up and clean up. All help is greatly appreciated!

The hay ride and apple picking event was an enjoyable event last year for all. We are in the process of setting that up again for the end of September or in early October. Please look in the bulletin and on the bulletin board for further information as the date and time is finalized with Blue Hills Orchard in Wallingford.

The Progressive Social was a big hit in June. We enjoyed appetizers in host homes followed by desert in the Fellowship Hall. Requests to hold another in the fall have been heard. I am looking for volunteers to help organize, host and attend.

We would also like to hold an Ice Cream Social. Please contact Pam Clark for organizing this event.

### Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Pam Clark  
Fellowship Deacon



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The time we spent was awesome, and we came back rejuvenated in the faith, which had perfect timing as we were able to then help spread the faith to young kids a few weeks later as we volunteered at VBS. Also, we can now spread the Word to the other youth in the congregation so they can begin planning and getting excited to come with us to the National Youth Gathering in three years in New Orleans!

Once again, thank you to everyone who helped and supported us on our journey to the National Youth Gathering! We are extremely grateful to have had this opportunity, and we can't wait to see where our journeys in the faith will take us next!

Thank you so much,  
The NYG Trio (Emma Finger, Michaela Rowold, and Sarah Rowold)



## NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...

### Greeting Card Doings

We continue to send cards to members for Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well and Thinking of You cards to our shut-ins. We want to thank Gloria, one of our volunteers who has given her time to send out our cards. She loved this job but had to give it up recently. We thank, Barbara Carson, who has taken over this task now. We know our congregation family truly enjoys this ministry.

### Visiting Shut Ins

We recently visited Donna Quast who is now living in an over 50 residence home in Glastonbury. She has settled in, seems to be happy and is doing well. We brought flowers, a mug, and some homemade goodies. We had a great time and Donna was so grateful for the visit from her CLC family.

### Cheshire Fall Festival

Our committee is planning for the Annual Cheshire Fall Festival on September 10<sup>th</sup>. This year we have arranged to have Little Cherubs work a two-hour shift to educate the public on their wonderful program. The Sunday School and Youth Group will also take part. Our choir will send representatives to man our booth to answer any questions about our Parish and Bell Choirs, they will be working from 3-5. We also thank John Balash and John & Joanne Casberg for manning the booth for us.

We need help to set up our tent the morning of the festival and a few more volunteers to man the booth; if you can help, please let me know. Thanks.

### Quilts of Valor

We are getting ready to have our first sew in on September 24<sup>th</sup>. On that day we will be presenting quilts to cherished Veterans. We are getting ready to distribute quilts to Veterans during the a PGA Hope event in September. Please feel free to join us at one of our events.



### Meet Our Members

We continue to interview our congregation members and submit articles for the Heavenly Herald each month. If you are called for an interview, please know that its voluntary. Our team enjoys these interviews immensely and we hope you do as well.

### Scholarships for High School Seniors

The Scholarship committee has all the information ready to go to Cheshire High School. All students from CLC can obtain their applications from the school or church.

Thanks to all who serve on the Evangelism team. We would be unable to continue our important work without you. Thank You

Marilyn Miller  
Evangelism Deacon





## CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs will resume rehearsals in September. Please note:

- ♪ Rehearsals begin on September 7<sup>th</sup>
- ♪ All Choirs asked to man the CLC booth at the Cheshire Fall Festival on September 10<sup>th</sup>
- ♪ All Choirs Picnic Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup>
- ♪ Bell Choir will perform on September 25<sup>th</sup> at both Services
- ♪ Parish Choir will perform on September 18<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup>

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

Date	Time	Event	Choir
September 7 - Wednesday <i>All Choirs Rehearsal Resumes!</i>	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 10 - Saturday <i>Cheshire Fall Festival</i>	3:00 - 5:00 PM	Man Cheshire Fall Festival Booth	All Choirs volunteer
September 11 - Sunday <i>Sunday School Rally Day</i>	No Choirs		
September 14 - Wednesday	All Choirs Picnic Set Up 5:30 PM—Picnic Begins 6:00 PM		
September 18 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
September 21 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 25 - Sunday	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
September 28 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 2 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 CONFIRMANDS

On Sunday June 5, 2022 we celebrated the Rite of Confirmation of the following members:

Douglas Henderson  
Aika Kwayu  
Quincy Kwayu  
Gabriel Mann  
Alexander Muller  
Noah Wilde



We rejoice together as these youth mark this significant milestone in their personal and spiritual lives.

## NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...

Little Cherub's Christian School is back after being off for the Summer.

We are all excited to be back. We are welcoming Michele Gerace and Alexandra Thomas to our Staff, and we have built our Substitute List. If you know of someone who is still interested in being a substitute at Cherubs, please have them call the school at 203-272-1150. Hooray.

Today, we were all at Cherubs putting our classroom back together since our floors have been waxed and buffed. The room looks amazing.

I would also love to thank all of you who emptied our classroom and those who put the furniture back into the classroom.

I would love to thank all who took part in making our floors look like glass.

I am still interviewing parents to see our school. In fact, I have a parent coming in on Wednesday with another 3-year-old viewing our school.

Friday, August 26, 2022, between 9 and 10 we hosted an Open House with all our new and old students with their parents.

Our official start date is the Tuesday after Labor Day with the 3's.

We ask you to pass the word around to those who are your neighbors or those you meet in the stores, library etc. that we are a Christian Preschool in town and have limited openings in both the 3's and the 4's class.

### 2022—2023 Registration

Little Cherubs is still taking registration for the 2022—2023 school year. If you, or someone you know, have a child who is preschool eligible, please call the Church or Preschool office for more information. A registration packet may also be picked up from the counter outside the Church Office!

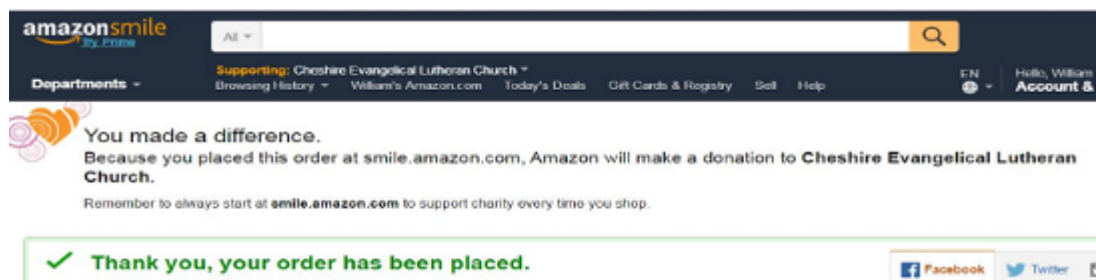
God Bless to All,  
JoAnn



## YOU SHOP. AMAZON GIVES...

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



You Shop. Amazon Gives

## VBS UPDATE—*MONUMENTAL* A HUGE SUCCESS...

It truly takes a village! Thank you to everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School this summer! I was Monumental. When I say it takes a village that is because while many of our volunteers were from our congregation many were from the surrounding community, with teens who once attended as participants and loved it enough to come back and volunteer, or adults who had children or grandchildren participating that decided to help out, or someone who was talked into helping out by a friend who was volunteering.



Our theme was “Monumental: Celebrating God’s Greatness” from Group Publishing. The setting was Monument Valley and there was a new desert-dwelling animal introduced every day. The students learned a new take home point and Bible verse every day. On Day 1 they learned “God loves you no matter what.” On Day 2 they learned “God is with you everywhere.” Day 3 they learned “God is in charge.” Day 4 they learned “God is stronger than anything.” On the last day they learned “God is surprising.” The Bible lessons for the week took us through Joseph’s story from receiving the coat of many colors to being thrown down the well to interpreting Pharaoh’s dreams to forgiving his brothers. On Thursday we took a break from learning about Joseph to learn about Jesus’ death and resurrection, when they learned God is stronger than anything - even death.

Every day started in the sanctuary with Pastor Rowold for singing and an introduction to the daily Bible point and the memory buddy (a desert animal assigned to the day). Then the Pre-K went to the Preschool wing for play and Bible lesson and snack and music and crafts with Ms. JoAnn, Ms. Michele, Ms. Fiona, Ms. Lynn, Ms. Tricia, Michaela and Mia. The Elementary Crews rotated through 5 stations: Imagination Station for science and crafts with Ms. Vicki and crew; Snack with Ms. Diane and friends (prepared by the awesome Kitchen Crew); Music with Mrs. Smith and Miss. Emma; Games with Mr. Alan, Mr. Jim, Mr. Seth, and Ms. Maria; and Bible Lessons with Ms. Susan.

The day ended with everyone back together in the sanctuary with Pastor Rowold for songs, God sightings, and a daily wrap up. Each day was a high-energy, fast-moving adventure.

Every day, 5 crews made up of 2 teen leaders and up to 10 elementary students, and the pre-school team made of 5 adults, 2 teens, and 17 pre-schoolers, shared God sightings during closing. These were ways big and small that they saw God’s love during that day. I have 2 I would like to share from the week. 1<sup>st</sup> I saw God’s love when volunteers willingly changed their originally intended rolls to fill last minute vacancies. The 2<sup>nd</sup> is that despite the ever-changing forecast the rain waited till after VBS was done for the day before it fell!



Finally, on Sunday, August 14, 2022, many volunteers stayed after service and took down - in about 1 hour - decorations that took about a week to get into place. Some of the teens who built rock structures out of cardboard boxes and craft paper had what looked like more fun tearing them apart than they had building them.

It was an amazing week! We had 70 students registered, 20 Pre-K and 50 Elementary. We had an average attendance of 17 Pre-K students and 45 Elementary students. I can’t wait to see what is in store for next year’s Vacation Bible School! I hope to see you there.

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers. From decorating through clean up we had over 33 volunteers involved at some point in the process 18 of them teens and many there all 5 days!

Tricia Rowold  
Sunday School Superintendent



## NEWS FROM OUR STEWARDSHIP DEACON...

### Part 1:

At the April 26th Council meeting, an analysis of our financial giving was presented to Council. This same report will be shared with Voters at the first Voter's meeting in the fall, which will align nicely timing-wise, being prior to our next giving campaign. This analysis is important for multiple reasons, such as being a key input into our long range planning, namely to better understand where our financial support is coming from.

Council discussed our impressions from this report, and what actionable next steps we would recommend and pursue.

First and foremost, what always resonates the most with me is that we are blessed to have some very generous members. As I have always said, thank you to all for your generosity!

Secondly, the analysis shows that a larger percentage of our financial contributions (in dollars) come from a smaller percentage of contributors. And although this is a common pattern more broadly in terms of giving, e.g., with religious, educational, civic giving, the Council discussion centered on a few areas of opportunity for CLC.

One opportunity is to increase our focus education-wise on the value of stewardship and pledging. Since all that we have is a gift from God, we as Christians want to support God's work, and one way to do this is via supporting the mission of CLC via our financial support.

Growing our congregation is another opportunity for CLC. But, to be clear, growing is important for reasons well beyond stewardship. Evangelism and growing our congregation allow us to spread God's Word and fulfill CLC's mission. We welcome and aspire to always be accepting new members, as this is foundational to being a healthy and vibrant congregation.

Giving is a personal decision between you and God. Please let me know if you would like any information on stewardship. Thank you, as always, for your heartfelt consideration with your pledging and giving. And, please, let me or any Council member know if you have thoughts or feedback on the topic of stewardship.

### Part 2:

Where Does Our Financial Contributions Go?

Did you know that 10% of our Offerings are given away as part of our Worldwide Ministry program? It has been a longstanding tradition at CLC to give generously, recognizing that we are blessed with what we have, and we want to help others in need. In fact, in prior years, our Worldwide giving was far greater than 10%.

What benevolences are included in our Worldwide giving? We support our district, the New England District of the LCMS. We contribute to Lutheran Homes, including the Bethesda Lutheran Home; Lutheran Colleges / Schools; and to Lutheran World Relief, an international organization that focuses on sustainable development projects and disaster relief and recovery.

In addition, we support Together In Mission, supporting LCMS missionaries as they share God's Word around the world. And we support multiple local organizations, such as Cheshire Interfaith Housing, the Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministry, Christian Community Action in New Haven, as well as various other groups.

Your contributions make a difference! Thank you for your generosity and giving.

Thank you,  
Rob DeLaubell  
Stewardship Deacon



## ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

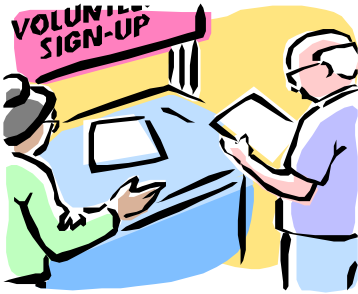
*Remember to check the Bulletin Boards and/or hallway table for sign-up sheets and information about various events!*

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

- ✦ CLC Usher Sign Up & Schedule
- ✦ Information regarding volunteers needed to run our newly installed Sound and Video equipment and sign up sheet
- ✦ Independence Northwest looking for Volunteers
- ✦ Thank You Cards and other correspondence
- ✦ **Hope Pregnancy Center 2022** volunteer sign-ups
- ✦ **Cheshire Food Drive** Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- ✦ **2022 Flower Chart** Sign-up
- ✦ Monthly CLC Members **Birthday** and **Anniversaries**
- ✦ **Helping Hands Sign ups**
- ✦ **Piano for Sale** information
- ✦ **Birthright Needs Volunteers**
- ✦ NED News

### ***Others looking for help!***

- ✦ **Fellowship Deacon needs volunteers** to help make the events happen. Contact Pam Clark if you can help in any capacity.
- ✦ **Sunday School Teachers Needed**—Prayerfully consider serving our congregations children by volunteering to teach them a few Sunday mornings during the year. See Pastor Rowold, Tricia Rowold or Craig Wilson.
- ✦ **Ushers are needed** to work both services. Contact Tim Weiland to volunteer.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL TO RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2022...

### **September 11: Rally Day!**

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

**9:10 to 10:10 AM**



## CLCW LADIES NIGHT OUT...

The ladies of the church are currently planning our annual Ladies Night Out to be held on in October. Stay tuned for more details in the Sunday Bulletin, emails from the Church Office and October Heavenly Herald.

A sign-up sheet will be available after Labor Day.

For questions, please contact Karen Weiland at [kweiland3@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kweiland3@sbcglobal.net) or 203-250-1574



## 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 listed in our church directory.

# CLC SAYS GOODBYE TO A CHERISHED FRIEND...

September 2022

Issue 215

**Sunrise January 13, 1929 ~ Sunset June 28, 2022**

*Carolyn R. (Danowski) Schmollinger*

On June 28, 2022, our beloved sister in Christ “Carolyn Schmollinger” was called home to be with those that have gone before us and has been reunited with Our Lord.

Carolyn lovingly tended our gardens at Cheshire Lutheran Church and was a Charter member of our congregation.

A Funeral service was held at Cheshire Lutheran Church on Saturday, July 9, 2022, at 11 AM. Carolyn and her Husband William will be inurned in our Columbarium on September 24, 2022.

We join the Schmollinger family in grieving the loss of this devoted woman of God and we cling to our Savior Jesus as we look forward to the day when we will be reunited with Carolyn and all the faithful around the throne in heaven.

*None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. (Rom. 14:7-8)*

“Well done, good and faithful servant; .... enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

**Matthew 25:21**



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

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



## NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

**UPDATE: 2022 School Kit Project to support Orphan Grain Train:**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our 2022 Orphan Grain Train School Kit project. Donations were collected through August 21st. We packed 55 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 two mornings a week. There are clothes, shoes, medical equipment, hospital beds, bikes, health kits, pillowcase 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 school supplies, cash donations totaling (\$376 as of writing this article) and to those who helped assemble the kits.



Nancy Engelhardt  
Social Welfare 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



## MORE TEACHERS NEEDED..

We have an awesome team of teachers who have heard the call and stepped up to help. Please join them. We want to add to our team, so each class has at least 2 teachers.

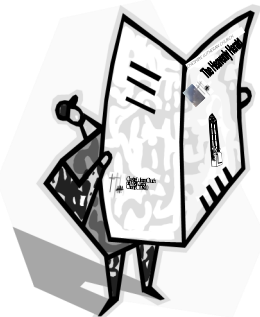
Please reach out to Tricia Rowold to volunteer to serve as a Sunday School teacher or substitute. Thank you.



## OUR SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER LIST...

If you have submitted a name to the Prayer list, please remember to give Pastor periodic updates on the people we are praying for, especially if circumstances have improved and they should be removed from the list. We take great joy when we are able to take a name off the list for good reasons.

Pastor R



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

(October 2022 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (souliebeth@sbcglobal.net) by Friday, **September 23<sup>rd</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!





# THE RIPPEL REPORT—SEPTEMBER 2022..

## Up Close and Personal

Last year for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 9/11 tragic events, I penned a brief article in memoriam. My submission honored not only the thousands of victims who lost their lives, but also the heroism and self-sacrifice of the countless first responders, civilian volunteers, military units and average Americans who answered the call.

The cowardly deeds of the 9/11 terrorists is the greatest, most destructive event within our nation's borders. On a picture-perfect September morning, evil terrorists would deliberately attempt to disrupt and destroy our nation's core values and institutions including trade, economy, military, government law making, Congress in the Capital and workers in the Pentagon in Washington DC.

Starting at 8 AM, the FAA (Federal Aviation Association) began to issue emergency alerts in the NY air corridor. There were 4 commercial passenger airliners not responding to repeated cockpit communications. The ominous word "Skyjacking" was used. US Air Force fighter aircraft and National Guard jet planes were "scrambled", sent aloft to force these 4 aircraft to land. Initially, it was considered to be a terror plot of hostage taking. The outlook became more desperate with each passing minute. Worldwide news agencies to network radio stations focused in on this story of impending disaster.

As countless millions worldwide focused on television and radio updates, more disturbing news was released. Revealed was confirmation that the 4 crowded passenger airliner lists contained a large group of mid-eastern passengers from the Royal Kingdom of Saudi-Arabia. Post the 9-11 catastrophe extensive investigative hearings were held in Congress. On the eve of 9/11, large groups of Saudi-Arabian officials and business representatives left the US unexpectedly for home. Further, the Saudi-Arabian government provided a passenger jet to allow the skyjackers to train at the controls to commandeer the aircraft.

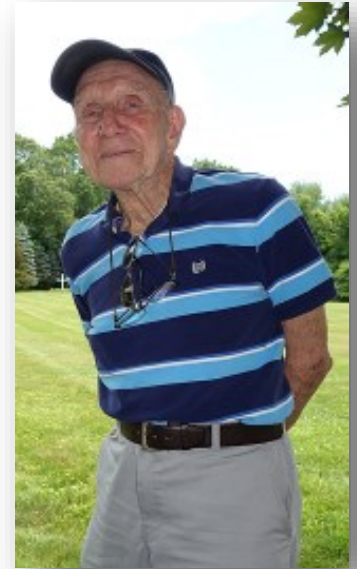
As the picture-perfect September morning progressed and millions around the world were riveted to their televisions, both twin towers in lower Manhattan were in the forefront of their screens. Looking west, over the Hudson River in the skies of New Jersey, a single jet turned making a wide circular approach. Observers wondered out loud as the distance dramatically closed on the Twin Towers; what is happening before our very eyes, what is wrong with the pilot and co-pilot, instrument failure, or navigation problems? The answer came when the 1<sup>st</sup> of 4 hijacked air liners flew into the North Tower at 8:46 AM followed by a massive explosion and fireball that shook lower Manhattan to its core. Within 17 minutes at 9:03, a second aircraft smashed into the South Tower. Later the symbol of US trade and economy succumbed to the destruction of the plane crashes and fell to the ground, one after the other causing a massive cloud of dirt, smoke, and rubble.

With our nation horrified at what had taken place, accidents were instantly ruled out. This was an act of war, an enemy terrorist attack. Two more attacks followed shortly. A 3<sup>rd</sup> plane crashed into the Pentagon in Washington DC with major destruction and loss of life. The 4<sup>th</sup> skyjacked passenger liner crashed in a rural field in Shanksville PA, there were no survivors. In a heroic episode, some men had stormed the cabin, fought the terrorists, and took control of the aircraft. This plane was intended to crash into and destroy the US Capital building.

With tragic events unfolding rapidly, our government issued strict order to ground ALL aircraft in the skies along the Eastern corridor. Commercial and civilian aircraft aloft had to immediately seek the nearest airport and land their aircraft. Fighter jets earlier "scrambled" were ordered to enforce these orders. Noncompliance could result in the US Air Force in suing deadly force. Unfortunately, these procedures were too late. The results were severe in lives lost and massive destruction.

As the sun set over Manhattan that unforgettable evening, the area where the Twin Towers once

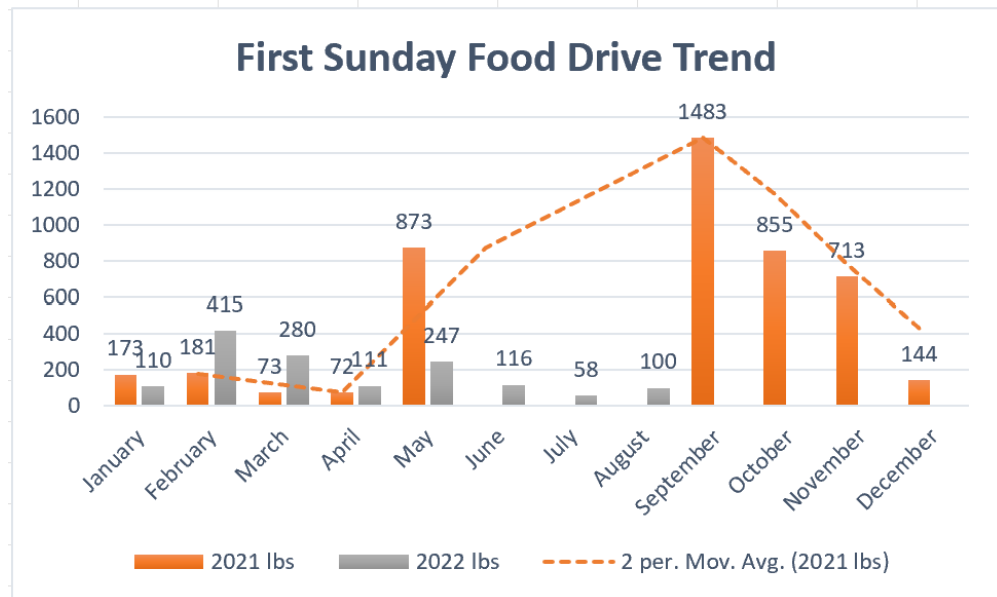
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## DONATE YOUR FREEBIES!

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



## HELP WANTED

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry, Inc. is seeking new volunteers to assist on Tuesday or Thursday evenings. Hours are 2:30-6 PM. Commitment includes 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, and helping donors drop-off food. Ability to lift 30lbs or more is a plus, but not required. All volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact the Food Pantry for more information.

“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 a.m. until Noon and Tues. & Thurs. from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Please check expiration dates. We want to ensure the food we are sending is not out of date. Also, please remember that we cannot accept opened packages. Any and all contributions are gratefully accepted, including non-food items such as soap, tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc. Tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc.

## CHESHIRE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS HELP...

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry needs our help more than ever. Covid-19 has decreased contributions, children are home and people out of work. There are no Sunday donations to the Pantry. We can directly drop off items at the Pantry or send a cash for them to purchase what they need most. THEY NEED OUR HELP!

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry is located at:  
175 Sandbank Rd  
Cheshire Ct 06410

Send Checks to:  
Cheshire Community Food Pantry PO BOX 457  
or  
you can donate \$\$ to them online at <https://www.cheshirefoodpantry.org/>

Call for drop off times: 203-699-9226

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stood, huge pillars of smoldering waste now stood. Toxic flakes resembling snow rained down on lower NYC for days. This would prove to be the most destructive attack on our Nation in history. Even more the loss of life at Pearl Harbor. A total of 2,996 people were killed in the 9/11 attacks, including the 19 terrorist hijackers aboard the four planes. Citizens of 78 countries died in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania.

At the World Trade Center, 2,763 died after the two planes slammed into the twin towers. That figure includes 343 firefighters and paramedics, 23 New York City Police Officers and 37 Port Authority Police Officers who were struggling to complete an evacuation of the buildings and save the office workers trapped on higher floors.

At the Pentagon, 189 people were killed, including 64 on American Airlines Flight 77, the airliner that struck the building. On Flight 93, 44 people died when the plane crash-landed in Pennsylvania.

Many of the injured would be added to the original list in the years following including first responders and people working during the recovery efforts due to various illnesses caused by breathing in the toxic fumes around the twin tower sites and rubble.

Our nation would enter a grave new period, a war on terrorism perpetrated by radical Islam fanatics.

Respectfully submitted  
Charlie Rippel



## 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.



## NEW ON OUR WEBSITE... [WWW.CHESHIRELUTHERAN.ORG](http://WWW.CHESHIRELUTHERAN.ORG)

The following has been recently added to our Website:

- ✦ Wonderful aerial drone video put to music of our beautiful church grounds
- ✦ Live streaming and video recordings of Sunday Services during COVID-19 restrictions
- ✦ Service video with enhanced music recordings—YouTube sometimes does not broadcast the best sounding audio.
- ✦ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists and Special Ensembles this Summer
- ✦ Current and Past Heavenly Heralds
- ✦ Video recordings from many past events
- ✦ Audio and Video recordings of Pastors Sermons and other events
- ✦ Pictures, pictures, pictures and more pictures from all our past events other miscellaneous photos taken in and around the Church by Tim Weiland
- ✦ Much, much more...



## MEMORIAL GARDEN & COLUMBARIUM NEWS...

The Columbarium Committee continues to communicate and meet regularly to discuss status of Inurnment Subscription and Memorial Plaque purchases.

### Subscriptions

- ✦ There are currently 37 inurnment subscriptions & 4 pending possibilities
- ✦ We have 19 memorial plaques purchased, 3 new and one pending possibility

Our committee welcomes Barbara Carson and Ed Schweizer. Thank you for joining us.

### Flags

Will be placed on the Columbarium over Labor Day weekend September 2-5, 2022.

The following congregants now rest in our hearts and whose remains are a reminder to remain steadfast in hope and faith that we will be reunited.

### Saints Inurned In The Columbarium

Marilyn E. Allesandrine (Jul. 31, 1939 – Mar. 21, 2019)  
 Judith Schnaars DiDomizio (Dec. 4, 1941 – May 10, 2021)  
 Richard Hagstrom (May 22, 1930 – July 4, 2021)  
 Philip L. Kenney (Aug. 4, 1927 – Nov. 22, 2013)  
 Arthur F. Munter Sr. (Feb. 8, 1929 – Jan. 21, 2018)  
 Mary Bianchini Munter (Jun. 16, 1929 – Mar. 11, 2021)  
 Joseph W. Stark (Jun. 17, 1932 - Dec. 31, 2021)

Consider this Beautiful spot for Memorial Plaque or to house your final remains.

For more information, grab a pamphlet and/or contact any member of the Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee.

John Mulvaney

Priscilla Mulvaney

Vicki DePaolo

Jim Mertz

Margie Mertz

Randy Raddatz

Pat DiDomizio

Bill Soulier

Beth Soulier

Barbara Carson

Tim Weiland

Ed Schweizer



## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE REMINDER...

Sunday School will resume on September 11, 2022 with Rally Day! Join us at 9:10 AM. Hope you had a GREAT Summer!





## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RUN OUR VIDEO EQUIPMENT...

In December, we were able to fully utilize and enjoy the new audio/video equipment. Special care was utilized during the purchase process that the equipment be easy to use for volunteers, including those with no prior background in sound or video equipment. Do you take videos with your phone? Are you interested in learning more about audio/video and streaming technology?

Offer your time and increase your video talent and assist with running the new equipment for an 8 AM church service. You will be helping Pastor Rowold and our Service to go live on YouTube. Contact Tim Weiland or Bill Juul for details.

We will train volunteer staff on all of the equipment and help troubleshoot any problems that may arise as people master the system. Your efforts will give you new skills you can carry into other areas of their lives if you so choose.



## CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN...

A new Confirmation Class will begin this Fall. Parents of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Graders should contact Pastor Rowold if they have not received an email inquiring about their child's participation. The goal for the first year of the program is to begin the process of working through Luther's *Small Catechism* and prepare students for First Holy Communion on Trinity Sunday, June 4, 2023. During the second year, students will finish their work in the Catechism with the goal of making their Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024.



## NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

*You are cordially invited to be a:*

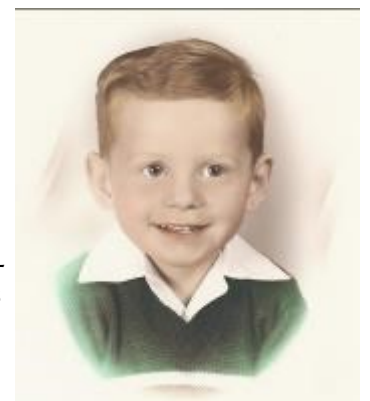
- ✠ **Reader**
- ✠ **Usher**
- ✠ **Greeter**
- ✠ **Singer or Ringer**
- ✠ **Altar Guild**
- ✠ **Live Stream Camera Operator**

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).

If you haven't been able to help in any of these areas and now are willing to assist, or would like to start, please contact Tim!

Thank you in advance!

R Tim Weiland, your CLC Worship Deacon





## WE SUPPORT HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER...

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

We donate baby 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.

**Hope Pregnancy Center**  
110 Main St.  
Cheshire, CT 06410  
203.271.2703  
[hopepregnancycenterct.org](http://hopepregnancycenterct.org)



## *Our Sincere Appreciation*



- ✦ Pam Clark our Fellowship Deacon, wishes to thank all the volunteers who enhanced our Summer Sunday worship with Lemonade/Iced Tea and snacks. All the credit and gratitude goes out to the many hands that made our picnic go soo smoothly- Don & Diane, for the hamburgers and hot dogs, the condiments and beverage jugs and so much guidance. To Karen & Tim for their direction and invaluable help setting up and cleaning up. So many more people that, together makes our family at Cheshire Lutheran Church.
- ✦ 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!
- ✦ Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that made VBS this summer such a huge success!
- ✦ Special thanks to all that help to keep CLC grounds so lovely throughout the year. This summer saw lots of beautiful changes on our grounds for which we are eternally grateful. Special Thanks to Tim Weiland, Jim & Margie Mertz, Ed and Nancy Schweizer, Don & Diane Drust and Randy Raddatz. We are BLESSED!
- ✦ We all thank Tim Weiland and Bill Juul for their photo and video contributions to us all. We greatly appreciate you always being there in the right time and at the right place to help us relive the memories made with our Church family. Thank you!
- ✦ Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Tag Sale whose proceeds went to support our Youth to attend the National Youth Gathering in Houston in July. To the people who donated items to be sold, those that helped in planning, setup, running and clean up, we are truly grateful.

## 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.

Thanks to all who continue to support this ongoing program.

We appreciate your thoughtful participation in making this benevolence so successful.

Contact Person: Paula Ongley



## USE HIS MONEY WISELY....

When the master gave his servants money to keep in his absence, he expected them to use it wisely. One wise use of the money the Lord gives us is to invest it with Church Extension Fund. Not only will it grow through interest, it will also be used to help congregations grow as they build, improve, and expand worship and educational facilities. Through LCEF, you can use the Master's gifts wisely. Call 1-800-THE-LCEF (843-5233) for more information.



## WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS...

On June 12, 2022 we welcomed the following new members:

**Mario and Erica Bencivenga**, along with their three daughters, Claire (age 7), Nora (age 5), and Lucy (age 1). Mario is an occupational therapist who enjoys photography, woodworking and spending time outside with family. Erica homeschools her daughters and occasionally works as a nurse practitioner. Erica enjoys spending time with the girls, being outside hiking and gardening, cooking, knitting, reading and spending time with her chickens. (*missing from photo*)

**Susan Harris**, along with her husband, Stan, live in Cheshire. Susan enjoys reading, music, playing Bridge, and cooking/baking while getting together with family.

**Larry Logan**, along with his wife, Gayle, live in Cheshire. Larry grew up in the New Haven area and has three grown children. Larry is a retired accountant whose hobbies include reading, walking and cycling.

Please remember to introduce yourself to our new Brothers and Sisters and welcome them to our midst.





# Summer 2022



6 young men and women were Confirmed on June 5, 2022



The kids and Leaders had a blast at VBS August 8—12, 2022



New Members joined us on June 12, 2022



Assembling School Kits on August 28, 2022









## WE NEED SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: “YOU HAVE BEEN CALLED!” ...

Years ago, before I had my own children (late twenties), I was asked by the Education Deacon if I'd be willing and interested to teach Sunday School at CLC. I politely responded that I would consider the request carefully. However, I thought to myself, “I've never taught before, let alone children. I have no experience. What if I mess this up? I probably won't be good at it.”

A few days later, I was traveling with a colleague on a week-long business trip across the country. We had become friends over time as a result of working together. Being spiritual himself, we got onto the topic of faith and religion. I shared with him the request I received from the Education Deacon, and his response was like having water thrown at my face. He said, “For all the things God has given you, this doesn't seem like an unreasonable request. You have been called!” Upon reflection, I knew he was right.

I taught Sunday School for six years—5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades. It was rewarding, uplifting and an educational experience for me, not just the children. And, when a child shares his/her innermost feelings with their classmates and their teacher, you see firsthand how scriptures can connect them to their world. It's unforgettable.

And now, I'm the Education Deacon reaching out to you. Please help keep this evangelical mission moving ahead and energized. Tricia Rowold now leads the Sunday School ministry. She is and will do a wonderful job along with the teachers we have. But they can't do this alone. Please help us. We need you. You have been called!

Sincerely and Yours in Christ

Craig Wilson  
CLC Education Deacon



## 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.

Thank you to all who have offered and provided help. As I continue to update and keep the HH membership current, please sign up and include your name, phone number and email as well your ability to provide meals, transportation or visits.

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

Sally Schrumm, chairman  
Phone 203-710-0753



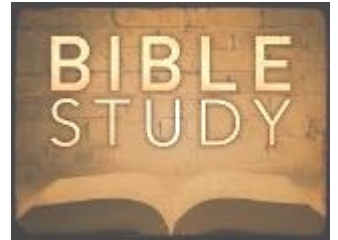


# Bible Studies at CLC

## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES...

Come and join us as we dig deeper into God's Word together in Bible Study.

Sunday morning Bible study will resume for the Fall on Sunday, September 18 at 9:10 a.m. Everyone is invited to join us for Rally Day during the Education Hour the prior Sunday, September 11. In addition to Sunday morning Bible study, our Wednesday afternoon study will also be resuming on September 21 at 1:30 p.m. Both classes will meet in person in the Church library; masks are optional and the choice is left up to each participant.



If you are unable to join us at the Church and need a remote way to participate in Bible study, please contact Pastor Rowold so that he can arrange it.

You're welcome to join us any time, even if it's your first time, and even if it will be the only time. I look forward to seeing you.



## Piano For Sale

**For Sale by April Slauson**

**\$500.00 or Best Offer**

Email or Call:

Email - [jagger1943@aol.com](mailto:jagger1943@aol.com) or  
Call - (203) 841-9382

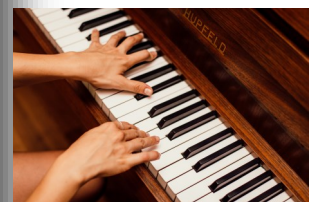
I'm happy to have this piano to a good home - Piano is in good condition. All 88 keys and 3 pedals in good working order. No cracks or breaks. Holds a tunewell. Comes with the piano bench which also doubles as storage for music etc. It's the perfect piano for a family with children learning piano.

Piano is heavy and will need a van and at least two to three strong people to move.

Wurlitzer Upright Piano with Storage Bench

Manufactured circa Late 1950's - Early 1960's





## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

## September 2022

6 <sup>th</sup>	Stan and Susan Harris	42 Years
8 <sup>th</sup>	David and Sally Schrumm	49 Years
11 <sup>th</sup>	Jonah and Lisa Tyler	23 Years
12 <sup>th</sup>	Thom and Dale Zeppieri	34 Years
21 <sup>st</sup>	Julian and Lisa Muller	26 Years
	Peter and Rebecca Mayer	20 Years
25 <sup>th</sup>	Clifford and Paula Ongley	51 Years
26 <sup>th</sup>	Andy and Pam Clark	30 Years

COUNCIL AND VOTERS MEETING  
REMINDER...

Council/Voters will resume their meeting schedule in September.

**Council** meeting will be held **Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.**

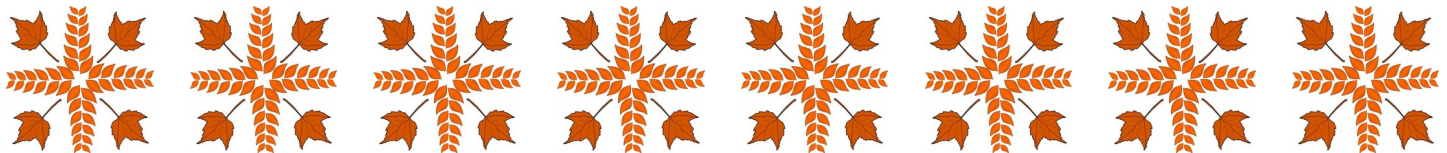
September **Voters'** meeting will be held, **Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> after the late Service.**



*Both Meetings will be held in person at Church and via Zoom*



1<sup>st</sup> Judy Watson  
4<sup>th</sup> Christine Mason  
Joe Holstein  
8<sup>th</sup> Ian Clark  
9<sup>th</sup> Terri Daly  
11<sup>th</sup> Sally Schrumm  
12<sup>th</sup> Allison Smith  
14<sup>th</sup> Alan Spose  
Lisette Donewald  
Wendy Emerick  
Ken Finger  
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  
22<sup>nd</sup> Nancy Schweizer  
23<sup>rd</sup> Ken Leslie, Sr.  
Aliza Taylor  
24<sup>th</sup> Derek Henderson  
26<sup>th</sup> Heather Shepard  
Nancy Engelhardt  
27<sup>th</sup> Erich Strunk, Sr.  
28<sup>th</sup> Craig Henderson  
29<sup>th</sup> Lisa Muller  
30<sup>th</sup> Bill Juul



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