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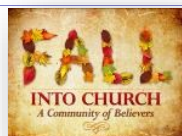
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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's grace." 1 Peter 4:10 (ESV)

This time of year, my newsletter articles usually mention the end of Summer, the change of seasons or the start of the School year. They typically talk about topics like studying the Word of God in Bible study and Sunday School, returning to Church after Summer vacations, or passing on the faith to the younger generations. This month, however, is a bit different.

Instead of a Scripture passage about returning to the Lord, training up a child, or being taught the way of the Lord – like those that have accompanied previous September newsletters – the words of St. Peter's first epistle speak of something entirely different. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's grace" (1 Peter 4:10). With their references to gifts and being a good steward, Peter's words sound like something out of a newsletter for the month of November, and you would probably expect a focus on Thanksgiving to accompany them, but giving thanks to God for all His benefits it not our focus this month.

Saint Peter writes, "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." It's these words that speak to us this September. The life of a Christian, the life that you and I have by virtue of our baptism into Christ Jesus, is a life of service; that shouldn't sound new or controversial to any of us. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 tells us, "You are not your own, for you were bought with a price." Because Jesus gave His life on the tree of the cross to pay the price for our sins – ransoming us back from sin, death, and the devil – we now belong to Him. It just makes sense that we serve God in the new life that is ours in Christ.

Yet in our lives of service, we are not just called

to serve God; as St. Peter exhorts us, we are called to serve one another as well. Jesus Himself echoes this very reality when He quotes Deuteronomy 6:5 and proclaims that the great and first commandment is to "love the Lord your God" (Matt. 22:37; Mk. 12:30), which He then immediately follows by proclaiming that the second commandment is to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 22:39; Mk. 12:31). Just as we are to love God and love our neighbor, so too you and I are called to serve God **and** to serve our neighbor.

It is this aspect of the Christian life, "serve one another," that calls our attention and, to be entirely frank with you, where I need your help. In our lives together as Cheshire Lutheran Church, there are many people who give of themselves, who serve to make things happen, and I am grateful for every person who extends a hand to help, in whatever way they are able. For some time, I have written of our need for volunteers to help serve in specific ways – as Sunday School teachers, ushers, readers and in the altar guild. A number of my main newsletter articles have addressed the topic, and there have also been separate articles asking people to give of themselves and to serve.

In response to these past calls, there most certainly have been people who responded – and I am so very grateful for all of you. At the same time, the need for people to serve persists and has even grown. This September, we especially have a need for Sunday School teachers to help throughout the year (one of those needs that is ongoing and has grown), and we also need volunteers to help with ushering duties at the 8:00 AM service for the month of September. Please prayerfully consider answer the call and using the gifts God has given you to serve one another in these ways.

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Come Worship With Us

Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday School
&
Adult Bible Classes:**
9:10 a.m.

Summer Worship Service:
9:00 a.m.
(Fathers Day to Labor Day)



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NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Greetings, Church Family,

It's hard to believe summer has come and gone, schools are back in session, and Cheshire Lutheran Church has returned to our two-service format. I hope your summer was both safe and refreshing! While having two Sunday service options is a blessing, it's always uplifting to see the sanctuary a bit fuller and to reconnect with members who typically attend the "other" service.

Sunday School Kickoff – September 7:

Our Sunday School Rally is just around the corner, and we invite everyone, young and old, to join us for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth. These classes offer a meaningful way to deepen our understanding of Scripture and strengthen our walk with the Lord. We're incredibly grateful to our dedicated volunteers who lead this vital ministry. That said, we are prayerfully seeking additional teachers. The time commitment is light, but the impact is profound. Teaching our children about Christ's love and truth is foundational to a joyful, faith-filled life. Please consider serving in this way.

Council Resumes – September 2:

With summer recess behind us, the Church Council will reconvene on Tuesday, September 2. One key agenda item is forming our annual Nominating Committee. While most current Council members are eligible to continue, this committee will confirm their willingness to serve and identify candidates for any open positions. If you have thoughts or concerns you'd like the Council to consider, please reach out; we're here to listen.

Music Ministry Returns:

Our Choir and Bell Choir are also resuming rehearsals and performances. If you're interested in joining either group, please contact our Music Director, Martha Medford, for details. A heartfelt thank you to all the soloists, musicians, and ensembles who enriched our summer services with beautiful Offertory music. We are truly blessed by your gifts.

Lemonade on the Lawn – Thank You!:

Thank you to everyone who helped with our summer Lemonade on the Lawn gatherings. These relaxed moments of fellowship are a wonderful way to connect beyond the sanctuary. Keep an eye on the hallway bulletin board for more opportunities to serve and share throughout the year.

Join the Livestream Team:

Looking for a simple yet impactful way to serve? Consider joining our livestream team. This ministry supports the 8:00 a.m. service and special events, and may occasionally assist with the 10:30 a.m. service. Training is minimal, and sign-ups are available on the bulletin board calendar.

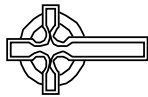
Volunteers Needed for Worship Support:

We are currently seeking Ushers, Readers, and new members for our Altar Guild, as three volunteers are stepping down. Please prayerfully consider helping to ensure our worship services run smoothly and reverently.

Upcoming Meetings:

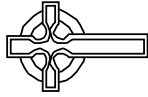
Our next Council meeting is Tuesday, September 2. The Voter

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CLC Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2 First Day Little Cherubs! 7:00 Council Meeting	3 7:00 Bell Choir 8:45 Parish Choir	4	5	6
7 8:00 Holy Communion 9:10 SSchool Rally Day!	8	9	10 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	11	12	13 Visit CLC's booth at Cheshire Fall Festival
14 8:00 Worship 9:10 SSchool, Youth & Adult Bible Studies 10:30 Worship	15	16	17 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	18	19	20
21 8:00 Holy Communion 9:10 SSchool, Youth	22	23	24 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	25	26	27
28 8:00 Worship 9:10 SSchool, Youth & Adult Bible Studies 10:30 Worship	29	30				

September Servants Schedule

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If you are not able to serve as a Sunday School teacher this year or by ushering in September, look to other ways you can serve, other ways that you can use the gifts God has given you. Be a lay reader, join the Altar Guild, sing in the Parish Choir, ring in the Bell Choir, serve on the Church Council; the ways to help go on and on, and there are avenues to serve no matter what your age or abilities. Simply step forward and volunteer to serve.

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s grace.” In Christ Jesus, you and I have received so many great and wondrous gifts; we are blessed with all we need to support this body and life, and the gift of eternal life is yours in Christ. Please come forward, put His gifts to work, and join us in serving one another.

In Christ,
Pastor David Rowold



(Continued from Presidents Message on page 2)

Assembly will meet Sunday, September 7, following the late service in the Fellowship Hall. Your voice matters, please join us!

Yours in Christ
Bill Soulier
CLC Parish President



REMINDER: TO CONNECT AND GREET ONE ANOTHER...

We kindly remind you to take a moment after the service to greet those around you. Whether they are guests or fellow members, if you spot someone you don't know, please introduce yourself. Encourage visitors to introduce themselves to Pastor and sign the guest book so we can stay in touch. Don't forget to thank them for joining us and let them know we hope to see them again.

Your friendly gesture can truly brighten someone's day and help build a welcoming, connected church community. Thank you for fostering a spirit of warmth and hospitality!



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.



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.





CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs will resume rehearsals in September. Please note:

- ♪ Rehearsals begin on September 3rd
- ♪ Parish Choir will perform on September 7th & 21st
- ♪ No Choirs on September 14
- ♪ Bell Choir performs on September 28th

CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
September 3 - Wednesday <i>All Choirs Rehearsal Resumes!</i>	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 7 - Sunday <i>Sunday School Rally Day</i>	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
September 10 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 14 - Sunday	No Choirs		
September 17 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 21 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
September 24- Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 28 - Sunday	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
October 1 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 5 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir

THANK YOU FOR A SUCCESSFUL VBS...



Vacation Bible school was a success this year because of you! Everyone who prayed for us, donated items, volunteered to make and put up decorations, provide snacks, volunteered the week of, turned the AC on and unlocked doors, transported their family members to and from the Church, and helped clean up after it was all done. You all made an amazing week possible.

Through your help and generosity, the students had fun, saw friends old and new, and learned through lessons big and small you can "Trust Jesus in a Wild World." This year our theme took us to the Alaskan wilderness, next year we will visit the tropics. We have not decided yet if it will be caves on a tropical island or waterfalls in a tropical rainforest so stay tuned for an announcement in the January newsletter.

From me and all the children that were here this year... Thank you for making it one amazing week!

Tricia Rowold, Sunday School Superintendent

MEMORIAL GARDEN & COLUMBARIUM NEWS...

Columbarium Committee Update:

The Columbarium Committee met on August 4 to continue its careful planning and stewardship of our church's sacred memorial space. With deep respect for those who have gone before us and a commitment to serving our congregation's future needs, the committee reviewed several key items and made meaningful progress.

Meeting Highlights:

- ✠ **Site Maintenance & Aesthetics:** The committee discussed ongoing care of the Columbarium grounds, including seasonal upkeep and potential enhancements to the landscaping. The goal is to ensure the space remains peaceful, dignified, and welcoming year-round.
- ✠ **Plaque and Niche Management:** Updates were shared regarding the status of current niche reservations and plaque installations. The committee is working to streamline the process for families and ensure timely communication and coordination with vendors.
- ✠ **Policy Review & Documentation:** Members revisited the Columbarium policies to ensure clarity and consistency. A few updates were proposed to better reflect current practices and to make the guidelines more accessible to families considering future arrangements.
- ✠ **Financial Oversight:** The committee reviewed the Columbarium fund and discussed long-term sustainability. Stewardship of these resources remains a top priority, with transparency and care guiding all decisions.

Outreach and Education: Plans are underway to provide more information to the congregation about the Columbarium's purpose, availability, and spiritual significance. The committee hopes to host an informational session later this fall.

We are grateful to the committee members for their thoughtful leadership and dedication to preserving this sacred space. Their work ensures that our Columbarium continues to offer comfort, reverence, and connection for generations to come.

If you have questions about the Columbarium or would like to learn more about reserving a niche, please reach out to the church office or speak with a committee member.

Pat DiDomizio	Vicki DePaolo	Jim Mertz
Margie Mertz	Randy Raddatz	Bill Soulier
Beth Soulier	Ed Schweizer	Tim Weiland

Out of care for our sacred space and in accordance with CLC By-Laws, we kindly ask families to refrain from leaving items (flowers, trinkets, etc.) at or around the Columbarium. While we deeply understand the sentiment, our staff is unable to remove these items promptly. If you have questions, please speak with a committee member. Thank you for your understanding.

Columbarium Status:

Category	Count	Notes
Saints Inurned	19	+1 Pending = 20 total
Subscriptions (Pre-Need)	33	Not including inurnments
Niches in Use or Subscribed	53	60% of total niches
Open Niches	35	40% available
Memorial Plaques (Purchased/Installed)	29	Includes both installed and ordered



Service Reminder!

Beginning Sunday, September 7, 2025, 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. It will also be available for viewing on the Church's YouTube channel after the end of the service.

NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...

Little Cherubs Preschool Kicks Off a Joyful New Year!

We're thrilled to welcome our Little Cherubs back for another exciting preschool year! After a long summer break, our goal is to help every child, whether returning or new, feel safe, loved, and confident in their classroom surroundings.

This September, our learning themes will be both fun and foundational. We'll explore **hand washing, germs, sunflowers, and apples**, while beginning our journey through the alphabet with **Aa, Bb, and Cc**, and numbers **1 through 5**. We'll also introduce basic shapes, **circle, square, and triangle**, and review colors and weather concepts to build on what the children already know.

Bible Time Focus: Creation:

Our spiritual foundation this month centers on the story of **Creation**. The children will learn what God spoke into existence on each of the seven days, supported by engaging Bible stories, Christian songs, and daily prayers over snack and lunch. We're also blessed to have **Pastor visit weekly** for a Bible time review, reinforcing these lessons in a nurturing way.

Creative Expression & Skill Building:

Children will bring home **coloring pages and artwork** that reflect our monthly themes. Our **Monday/Wednesday/Friday class** will receive weekly letter worksheets, and all students will practice writing their names using tracing printables, building confidence and fine motor skills in a joyful, hands-on way.

We're so grateful for the opportunity to nurture these young hearts and minds. Thank you to our families for your continued support and prayers as we begin this new chapter together.

God bless all,

Director of Little Cherubs Preschool
Joann Adinolfi Holstein

2025—2026 Registration

Little Cherubs is still taking registration for the 2025—2026 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.

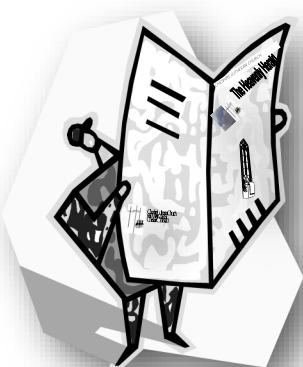
PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!!

(October 2025 Articles are Due!)

REMINDER: The next issue of the Heavenly Herald will be the **October 2025** edition.

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier by Friday **September 19th** or earlier! Use email listed in our PRINTED directory. 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!



NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

We have had a busy summer with social outreach. Our July food pantry donation was **356 lbs** which included 190lbs of kid friendly snacks and a \$50 cash donation collected from the families of the children that attended VBS. See the First Sunday Food Drive Trend chart in this Newsletter for more detail information on Food Items delivered to the Food Pantry this Summer.

Hygiene Kits for Orphan Grain Train: Final Push Through September

Through the month of September, we will continue collecting items for hygiene kits to support the Orphan Grain Train, a mission that brings relief to communities devastated by natural disasters.

These kits will be delivered to Terryville, CT, and distributed to areas in urgent need of basic hygiene supplies.

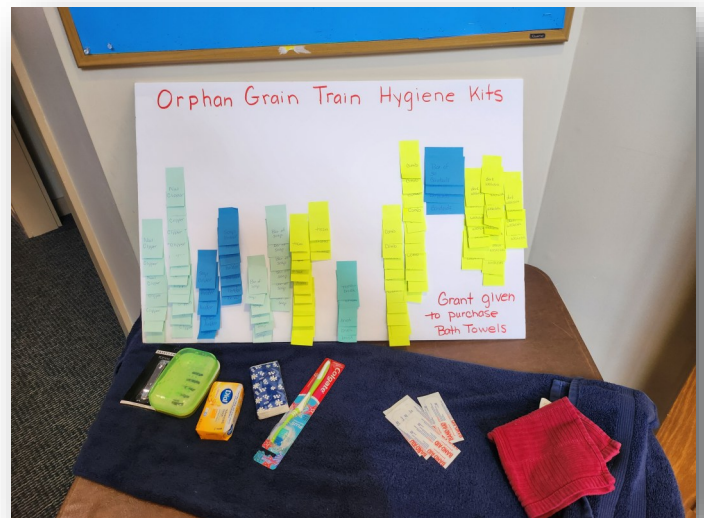
Thanks to your incredible generosity, we are on track to assemble **40 complete kits!** Each one will offer comfort and dignity to individuals facing unimaginable loss. A special thank-you to the **Plantier family**, whose **Thrivent Grant** has graciously covered the cost of bath towels and several remaining items.

We're almost there but we still need a few more items! Specifically, we are short on **nail clippers** and **plastic soap holders**. Please check the sign in the church lobby for a full list of needed items and consider contributing if you're able.

These hygiene kits include:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bath towel | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 sturdy comb |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 wash cloth | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 band-aids
(1/2" or 3/4") |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bath-size bar of soap | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 small package facial tissues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 plastic soap box holder | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 nail clipper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 toothbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 piece of strong ribbon or cord |



Cheshire Food Pantry—Adopt a Shelf—Wish List Items:

Your generosity makes a significant impact on those in need.

- **Adopt a Shelf - Liquid Dish Soap:** We're continuing our "Adopt a Shelf" program, focusing on liquid dish soap.
- **Wish List Items:** The current wish list includes: sugar (small packets), vegetable oil, mayonnaise, cannellini beans and canned meats.
- **Delivery Sign-Up:** When signing up to deliver items to the food pantry, please aim for the **third week of the month**. This helps us accurately record our food totals for the **Heavenly Herald**.

Ongoing Collection for Cheshire Food Pantry

Our continuous collection for the Cheshire Food Pantry remains active with bins located under the counter near the church office doors. Please consider signing up to deliver the items to the food pantry. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Terri Daly
Social Welfare Deacon



FEED OUR FUTURE

WELLNESS & SAFETY COMMITTEE NEWS...



It's September again. Students are back in school, the Autumn weather is fast approaching, and so is Cold & Flu season. As the stores replace their Summer and Back-To-School items with Halloween candy, now is the time to prepare for the sniffles that inevitably come in the Fall. Be sure to check the dates on the cough and cold medicine that you have. If it has expired, dispose of it; if you are all out of your preferred brand of "over the counter" medicines, consider picking some up now. The stores are better stocked today than they will be when Cold & Flu seasons kicks into high gear.

Remember to practice good hygiene; it's better to keep yourself healthy than to get well after being sick. Wash your hands, cough into your elbow, and take proper care of yourself if you feel unwell – and it's not too early to be in touch with your doctor about scheduling your annual flu shot.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED...



On Sunday, June 8, Cheshire Lutheran joyfully recognized five households who formally joined our congregation between Fall 2024 and Spring 2025. During the 10:30 a.m. service, we publicly welcomed these new members into our family of faith:

From left to right in the photo:

Dora Jacobson; Sean, Korinne & Grace Leary; Thomas Schweizer; James Schnell; and Christopher, Michaela & Ella Rowold.

Their joining was celebrated with heartfelt fellowship and a delicious cake at our annual Church Picnic later that day. We are truly blessed to have these families among us and look forward to growing together in Christ.

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 so smoothly- Don & Diane, for the hamburgers and hot dogs, the condiments and beverage jugs and so much guidance. To 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!
- ✚ Special Thank You to all the people that helped with the very successful Youth Tag Sale in June. It was a tremendous amount of work but many hands do make for lighter work. We are Blessed
- ✚ Thank you for your continued support of our adopt a shelf and other food items

WE NEED YOU...

That's right, we need YOU! We need you to help make our service on Sunday morning happen.

We need acolytes, ushers, readers, greeters, and communion assistants to join in serving. The people who currently give their time to help in these way are wonderful, and we greatly appreciate them, but we need YOU to join their ranks.

For more information on how you can help please speak to April Slauson, our Worship Deacon, or call Pastor at the Church office.

We look forward to serving the Lord together.



CLC STRENGTHENING OUR DIGITAL PRESENCE ON FACEBOOK...

In today's fast-paced digital age, it's crucial for our Church to remain connected and engaged with our congregation and the broader community. As part of our ongoing efforts to adapt and thrive in this digital landscape, we are committed to improving our digital footprint on Facebook.

Improving our digital footprint on Facebook is a step forward in our mission to share God's love and connect with our congregation and the wider community. It's an opportunity to reach more people, build stronger bonds of fellowship, and inspire positivity in an increasingly digital world. We look forward to this journey of growth and connection, and we invite you to join us on Facebook as we continue to spread the message of faith, hope, and love. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in the digital realm and beyond.



DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS PRESCHOOL AGE?...

If so, please suggest to their parents that they look into our Little Cherubs Christian Preschool program. Little Cherubs was the recipient of the 2023 Cheshire award for BEST PRESCHOOL. We are: a state licensed facility, our curriculum supports State of CT Benchmarks, focus is on kindergarten readiness, there is a low student to teacher ratio and we have enrichment programs available!

Little Cherubs Preschool offers a sound Christian curriculum and quality learning opportunities that nurture a child's spiritual, intellectual, social, physical & emotional growth and development.

For detailed information about our Little Cherubs program please visit our church's website: www.cheshirelutheran.org/little-cherubs-christian-preschool/

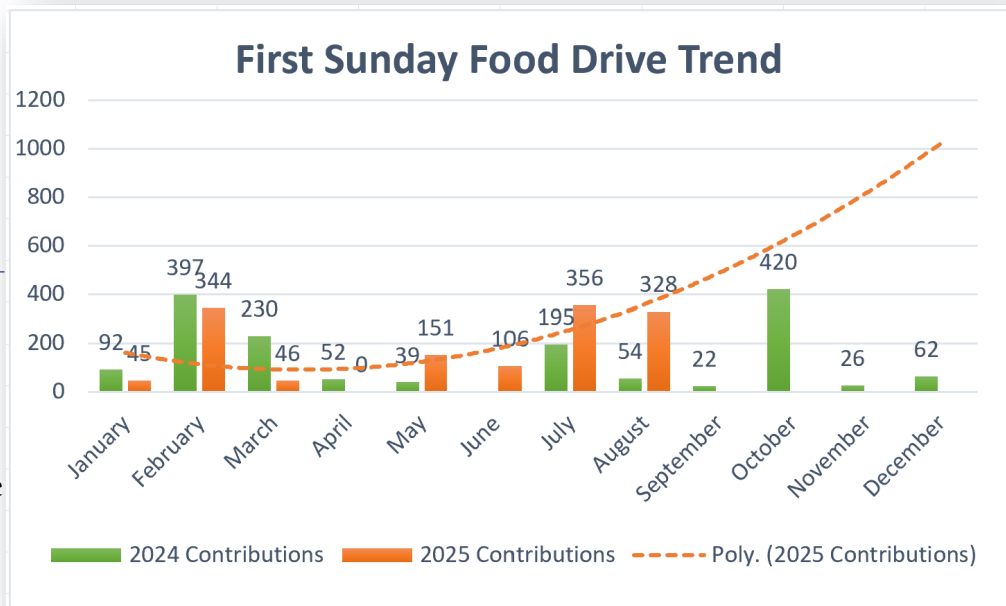
Kelley Collins-Pardee
Christian Education Deacon





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

NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...



Be a Light at the Cheshire Fall Festival!

Welcome back, church family! As we step into a new season, we're excited to once again take part in the **Cheshire Fall Festival**, a joyful community event where we have the opportunity to share the love of Christ beyond our church walls.

Saturday, September 13 (Rain date: Sunday, September 14)
- **Booth D7** in the newly expanded area behind the main festival grounds

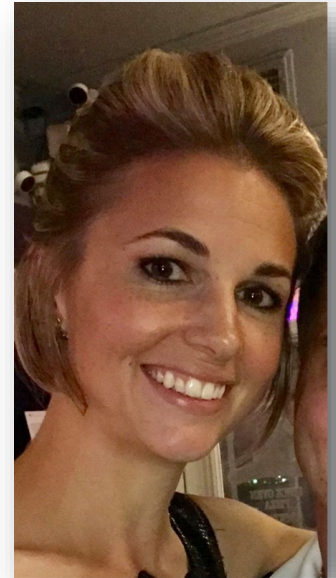
This isn't just a booth, it's a chance to be a living witness. Whether you're greeting neighbors, sharing information about our ministries, or simply offering a warm smile, your presence helps plant seeds of faith and connection.

We're looking for volunteers to help represent our church throughout the day. Even an hour makes a difference! Sign-ups are posted on the bulletin board, and we'd love to see a variety of faces, young, seasoned, and in between.

Let's show Cheshire what it means to be a church that welcomes, serves, and shines with the light of Christ.

Thank you for being part of this mission!

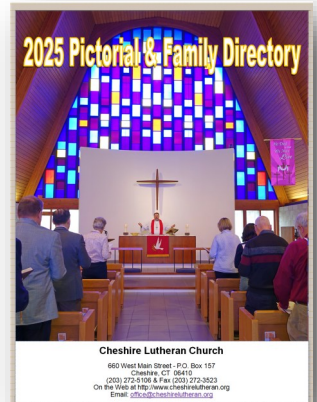
Erica Bencivenga
Evangelism Deacon



NEW PICTORIAL CLC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY IS HERE...

We're pleased to announce that the 2025 Pictorial Member Directory is now complete and ready for distribution.

At this time, each family may receive one copy upon request. Please reach out to Pastor or Brenna to obtain yours.



GREETING CARD FUNDRAISER!

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



NEWS FROM OUR STEWARDSHIP DEACON...

Reminder: We're Still Collecting Stories About Stewardship:

Sharing your Personal Stewardship Journey Continues:

We're still actively gathering articles for *The Heavenly Herald* and encourage more members of the congregation to take part. Writing about your experiences with stewardship—whether through volunteering, participating in church activities, or financial giving—is a wonderful way to celebrate faith in action and inspire others.

Your reflections can highlight how stewardship has enriched your spiritual journey and offer encouragement for others to live out their faith through giving.

If you're willing to share your story, please reach out to me for more information or assistance.

We'd love to feature your thoughts and experiences in one of our upcoming editions.

Thank you for being part of this meaningful effort to share and celebrate stewardship within our community!

Our current submission is from Beth Soulier. (see below)

Rob DeLaubell
Stewardship Deacon



By Beth Soulier for the CLC Daily Devotional written in April of 2006

Act Boldly - Generosity

My Mom is currently participating in a Women's Bible Study through Lutheran Women Magazine. *Act Boldly* is its theme. Coincidentally, she shared this information with me the very day after I was asked to consider Co-Chairing the Spiritual Life Team. One of whose tasks would be to create this very Daily Devotional Booklet. She read a passage from the study for which she wanted to have printed on a card that she and other members of the group could carry with them. Needless to say, they loved this passage and so do I:

We live with the fruit of generosity planted in our hearts, watered by our baptism, and nourished by the body and blood of Jesus.

We who have received so much can give so much.

Sue Gamelin

After listening to my Mom recite these words to me over the phone, my thoughts quickly turned to our appeal and what my role would be on the Spiritual Life Team. How apropos those words were. What timing! This was no accident. How true these words are. We have

been given so much, so much more than we could ever deserve. Why, why has God given *me* so much, a wonderful upbringing, wonderful Parents, wonderful home life. Wonderful husband and happy and healthy children, why me, why so much? Does it really matter why? All that matters is that I continually praise God and thank him for giving me what I truly don't deserve. All that matters is that I live my life never to take ANY of it for granted. All that matters is that I strive to always try to give back, whether it means monetarily or by using the talents (I use that term lightly) and abilities God has given me to praise and honor him.

Well, it was this very conversation with my Mom and those words, that led me to accepting a role on the team and more importantly, for securing my (and my family's) commitment to the appeal.

Dear Lord Jesus, words can not express my gratitude to you for giving me so much. Please help me to Act Boldly in my attempt to return the favor in every way I can. Through your son, Jesus Christ, AMEN



LWML MITE BOXES: SMALL GIFTS, MIGHTY IMPACT...

By B. Lis, Treasurer, LWML New England District

Greetings from Niantic! As Treasurer for the New England District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML-NED), I'm honored to share how Mite Donations help bring Christ's love to life through mission work.

These humble boxes are powerful tools for Gospel outreach.

What Is a Mite Box Offering?

The Mite Box tradition is rooted in the biblical story of the widow's offering (Luke 21:1–4), where Jesus praised her for giving two small coins, "all she had to live on." Inspired by this act of faithful generosity, LWML encourages regular contributions of "mites", small offerings given with great love and purpose. These gifts, though modest individually, collectively fund millions of dollars in mission grants across the country.

Every coin and dollar placed in your Mite Box is remitted directly to LWML-NED, nothing is retained by Christ Lutheran Church or any local congregation.

Churches and women's groups typically remit Mites monthly or quarterly.

Once received, I deposit the checks and allocate the funds according to our Mission Goal:

- ✚ 25% supports **national LWML Mission Projects**
- ✚ 10% supports **LWML-NED administration**
- ✚ 65% funds **LWML-NED Mission Projects**

As projects are fully funded, I send checks to the Grant Recipients in coordination with Ruth Scheumann of the Gospel Outreach Committee. I also prepare a monthly **Mite Report** for our District President and Communications Departments, keeping everyone informed of our progress.

Mission Projects are selected by vote at our District Convention every two years. We currently have **8 months remaining in this biennium**, and are actively collecting funds for several Projects.

A Call to Action

Ladies of Cheshire Lutheran Church: your small offerings can make a mighty impact. Whether it's spare change from your purse or a planned monthly gift, every contribution helps share the Gospel and serve those in need. Kindly reach out to Karen Weiland for more information. She is happy to collect and forward your donations.

And finally, a joyful note from Dr. Merwin's talk: she reminded us this is truly a time when the ladies of the church are in charge, and it's a beautiful thing to witness.

Blessings to you all,

Beth Lis

Treasurer, LWML-NED



NEWS FROM THE HOUSE & GROUNDS DEACON...



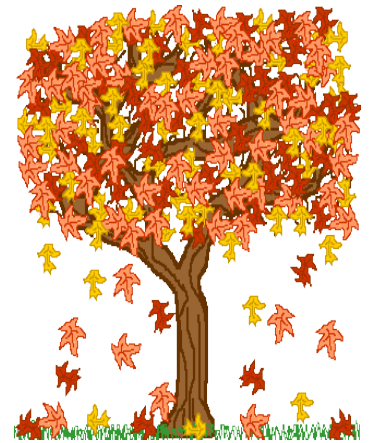
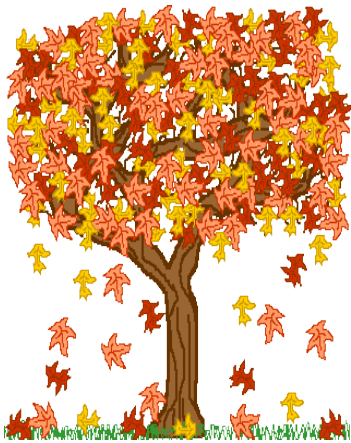
Summer may have flown by, but it's been a season of meaningful progress!

Plans are moving forward for improvements to the parsonage deck and surrounding grounds, with contractors already lined up. Over at the Little Cherubs annex, fresh paint has brightened the space, the HVAC system has been serviced, and the air ducts cleaned. Fire safety equipment has been inspected and tested, floors have been polished, and new wood chips have been added to the playground—just to name a few highlights.

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who pitched in to make these updates possible!

Meanwhile, extra attention has been given to patching the church roof. With any luck, by the time the next newsletter rolls out, we'll be celebrating the discovery (and resolution!) of the elusive leak in Martha's office.

Jonathan Schrumm
House and Grounds Deacon



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 (adult and handbell), and Altar Guild members.



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 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 April Slauson.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RUN OUR VIDEO EQUIPMENT...

We have been enjoying the new audio/video equipment for over a year now. 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.



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 can take a name off the list for good reasons.



NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

You are cordially invited to be a:

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



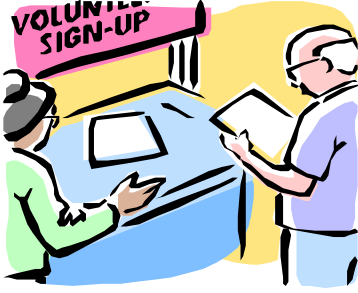
For a typical four Sunday month, there can be at least 70 “periods of service” when members usher, acolyte, read lessons, greet other members before service, and prepare the altar. (And this does not count the choir’s musical offerings that make our worship special).

LESSON READERS for Sunday worship are needed! Please contact April Slauson for more information.



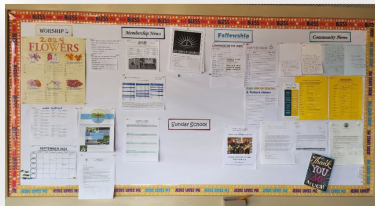
ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

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:

- ✚ 2025 Flower Chart Sign-up
- ✚ CLC Usher Schedule
- ✚ Live Stream Camera & Operator sign-up Names of those serving on our CLC Council and Deacons
- ✚ Information on CLC family members called home to be with Jesus
- ✚ Lutheran Church Extension Fund information
- ✚ The Magic of the Italian Lakes trip information
- ✚ Nuechterlein Family photo
- ✚ Sunday School Schedule information
- ✚ Sunday Coffee Hour sign-up
- ✚ Thank You Cards and other correspondence
- ✚ Cheshire Food Drive Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- ✚ News and Updates regarding some of our members
- ✚ Cheshire Fall Festival volunteer sign-ups



Others looking for help!

- ✚ **Ushers are needed** to work both services. Contact April Slauson to volunteer.
- ✚ **Altar Guild** is looking for new members. Contact April Slauson to volunteer.
- ✚ **Helping Hands** is has expanded its mission and ministry. Contact Sally Schrumm to learn more and volunteer.
- ✚ **Sunday School Teachers Needed.** Please contact Tricia Rowold.

DO YOU KNOW THE DATE OF YOUR BAPTISM?...



Well, do you? Do you know the date that you were Baptized? If you do, we'd like to know it in the Church office too. We already keep track of birthdays and wedding anniversaries, including them in the monthly newsletters and the Sunday morning prayers. We are now going to add "Baptismal Birthdays" to that list too. Please contact the Church office to share the date of their Baptism. As we get more information we will add it to the list of those special days included in the *Heavenly Herald*.



WE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR BAPTISM:

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| ✚ September 9 | Katelyn Lynch | ✚ September 14 | Matthew Emerick |
| ✚ September 10 | Lisa Tyler | ✚ September 16 | Karen Weiland |
| ✚ September 13 | Brian Sherman | ✚ September 24 | John Sherman |
| ✚ September 13 | Judy Watson | ✚ September 26 | Nancy Engelhardt |

Contact the church office to add your "Baptismal Birthday" to the list.

There seems to be no limit to the creativity that scam artists will use to develop new ways to steal from us. Kurt Knutsson (known online as “the Cyberguy”) has described one of the latest types of online scam to be on the lookout for:

Online scams are becoming more dangerous and convincing every day. Cybercriminals are finding new ways to gain not just your login credentials but full control of your computer and your bank accounts. Take John from King George, Virginia, for example. He recently shared his alarming experience with us. His story is a powerful warning about how quickly things can escalate if you respond to suspicious emails. Here is what happened to John in his own words,

“I mistakenly responded to a false PayPal email notifying me of a laptop purchase. The message looked real, and I called the number listed. The person on the phone gave me a strange number to enter into my browser, which installed an app that took control of my PC. A warning popped up saying ‘software updating – do not turn off PC,’ and I could see my entire file system being scanned. The scammer accessed my bank account and transferred money between accounts. He told me to leave my PC running and go to the bank, keeping him on the phone without telling anyone what was happening. I shut everything down, contacted my bank, and changed my passwords.”

John’s quick thinking in shutting down his computer and alerting his bank helped minimize the damage. However, not everyone is as lucky.



This type of scam is known as a remote access scam. It often begins with a fake email that appears to come from a trusted company like PayPal. The message claims there is an issue, such as an unauthorized charge, and urges the victim to call a phone number or click a link. Once the scammer makes contact, they guide the victim to enter a code into their browser or install a program, claiming it will fix the problem. In reality, this grants the scammer full control of the victim’s computer. Once inside, scammers often search for sensitive files, access banking websites, steal login credentials, or install malware to maintain long-term access. Even if the immediate scam is stopped, hidden malware can allow scammers to re-enter the system later.

The entire article contains more information about steps we can take to reduce our risk of exposure to scams such as this one. If you would like a link to the article, send an email to finsec@cheshirelutheran.org, and I will forward it to you.

Larry Logan
Financial Secretary

NEW ON OUR WEBSITE...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
- ✦ Service video with enhanced music recordings
- ✦ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists and Special Ensembles
- ✦ 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...





CLC HELPING HANDS...

Many thanks to all the drivers who transported Gloria Nuechterlein to church this summer. She and her family are very grateful. Those of you who know her, understand how important church attendance and maintaining contact with her church family is to her!

September 7th is fast approaching, the Sunday when we resume 2 services and the adult Bible class between services. Gloria would very much like to continue attending the late service and Bible class as much as able. I would like to continue offering her transportation. Therefore, I am reaching out to ALL of you to consider taking a turn driving her as your schedule allows. Please contact me as soon as you are able to let me know of your desire and ability to transport her so I can get started on the fall schedule!

Other Volunteer Opportunities:

- ✦ Meals
- ✦ Visitation—Especially around Holidays
- ✦ Mailing cards - holiday and thinking of you
- ✦ Seasonal gifts.. apple pies at thanksgiving, cookies at Christmas, palms and Lenten devotional, Easter flowers



Thank you!
Sally Schrumm
Helping Hands Committee

Please reach out the Church Office or CLC Directory for my contact information.



HOW TO REACH PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY...

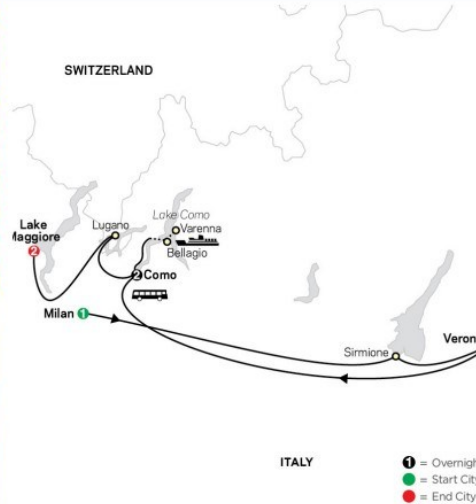
If there is no answer in the Church Office, Pastor Rowold may be reached on his cell phone listed in our church directory.



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE REMINDER...

Sunday School will resume on September 7, 2025 with Rally Day!

Praying you all had a GREAT Summer!



The Magic of the Italian Lakes

8 DAYS | July 26—August 2, 2026 | Milan to Lake Maggiore

Day 1: (SUN) 26 JULY – Arrive in Milan, Italy Welcome to Milan! Check into your hotel and start exploring! Tonight, meet your Tour Director and Travel Companions.

Day 2: (MON) 27 JULY – Milan-Sirmione-Verona Start the day with an orientation tour of Milan, stopping to admire the famous Gothic-style Duomo. Travel east through the Po Valley and stop at Lake Garda to discover Sirmione. This is a Spa town rich in thermal waters and ancient charm situated on a long peninsula surrounded by breathtaking views. Among its highlights, a medieval castle, the famous Roman villa and grottoes of Catullo. Spend the evening in Verona, the "city of love". (B)

Day 3: (TUE) 28 JULY – Verona In the morning, a Local Guide take you through the old cobblestone streets of the old part of Verona telling you the stories behind the old buildings and how this beautiful city inspired Shakespeare. Spend the afternoon shopping, visiting, or taking a stroll along the Adige River banks. (B)

Day 4: (WED) 29 JULY – Verona-Lake Como This morning, say goodbye to the romantic city of Verona and continue to fascinating Lake Como, where you'll spend two nights. Stroll around the narrow alleys of the city center and the lungolago and maybe taste some fabulous local gelato. (B)

Day 5: (THU) 30 JULY – Lake Como. Excursion to Bellagio and Varenna Inspiring everyone from Roman senators and great composers to Hollywood actors, Como is the romantic image of the lakes. Its cobalt-blue waters are lined with magnificent mountains, lush gardens, and grand villas. Join the included boat trip to Bellagio, set in one of the most scenic position in all of Italy, and Varenna, an old fishing village. (B)

Day 6: (FRI) 31 JULY – Lake Como-Lugano, Switzerland-Lake Maggiore, Italy Depart Lake Como and cross the border into Switzerland. Head towards beautiful Lake Lugano and the stylish city that bears its name. Time to stroll along the lakeside promenade, window shop on refined Via Nassa, or sip an espresso on the Piazza Riforma. Leave Switzerland and cross back into Italy, driving to Lake Maggiore. (B)

Day 7: (SAT) 1 AUGUST - Lake Maggiore, Italy Set between Piedmont, Lombardy, and Switzerland, Lake Maggiore is a paradise of crystal waters, backed by towering mountains and surrounded by lush countryside. The day is yours to relax or to enjoy some of the many activities available around the lake. Farewell dinner this evening. (B,D)

Day 8: (SUN) 2 AUGUST - Lake Maggiore Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. Safe travels until we meet again! (B)

Pricing: \$1,799*pp based upon double occupancy
Travel Protection (optional - due at time of deposit): \$199pp
Deposit: \$250pp + Travel Protection

*Itinerary/pricing subject to change, Airfare not included in cost.

** Departing US on July 25 to arrive in Italy on July 26.

For more information contact:

Group Leader: Pastor Greg Wismar

(203) 405-1135; wismar@prodigy.net

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...



Welcome Back!

We have an exciting new year planed for our Youth and Sunday School families!

This year our lessons for grades Pre-K (ages 4-5) – Grade 6, are an overview of the Old Testament. Toddlers and parents have a different lesson set up that uses both New and Old Testament lessons throughout the year. Our Middle School and High School Youth have the opportunity to study what the Bible says about topics they may face in everyday life and a chance to volunteer as helpers in the younger kids' rooms.

Rally Day will be September 7, 2025. Come out and meet the teachers, sing songs, learn about Adam and Eve, and play Books of the Bible Bingo! Teachers will be installed on September 14, because there is Communion and a Voters Meeting on Sept. 7.

On our regular Sundays, we will continue gathering after the 8 a.m. service (between 9 and 9:15) for fellowship and will start Sunday School opening at 9:20 a.m. We will sing, pray, practice the commandments, collect offering, and take attendance all together. Then our youngest students and their parents will head to the newly set up toddler classroom, all others will get an introduction to the lesson for the day before going off to class with their groups. The class groupings for this year will be Pre-K – Kindergarten, Grades 1-3, and Grades 4-6. Grades 7-12, if confirmed, will have a choice to meet and study God's Word in the Youth Room or volunteer to be a part of sharing Gods Word with the younger students.

Any families with students in grades 7-12 who have not made their Confirmation, please reach out to Pastor Rowold if you would like more information on the process for doing so, and join us Sunday mornings to study God's Word.

Some important notes for this year:

Fun Sundays for the Fall will be October 12 and November 30. On Fun Sundays, we will meet all together the whole time; these are Sundays that the public schools are closed on Monday, as well as the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

The Sunday School Christmas Pageant will be December 14, 2025, during the 10:30 a.m. service. We will need a Saturday rehearsal this year to avoid taking to many Sundays away from the regular lessons. We will practice the music during Openings in the fall, full rehearsals will be Saturday, November 22, 2025 (time TBD), Sunday December 7, 2025 at 9:20 a.m., and a final dress rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, December 14, 2025.

We will have a cookie reception following the pageant on December 14, 2025.

We will have a regular lesson on December 21, 2025, and we will be off for December 28, 2025, for Christmas and New Year's.

A calendar for the full Sunday School year will be handed out at Rally Day, September 7, 2025!

Can't wait to see you all there!

Tricia Rowold—Sunday School Superintendent

A GENTLE CALL TO SERVE: JOIN THE ALTAR GUILD...

Dear Members of Christ Lutheran Church,

Behind every Holy Communion Sunday is a quiet act of devotion, faithful hands preparing the altar, setting the table, and ensuring that our worship space reflects the reverence of the moment. This sacred work is carried out by our Altar Guild, a team of volunteers who serve with grace and humility.

We are currently seeking **three new members** to join this meaningful ministry. Three of our dedicated volunteers are stepping down, and we hope to fill their shoes with hearts ready to serve.

What's involved?

- ✚ A commitment of just **three months** out of the year
- ✚ Scheduled **twice per month**
- ✚ You'll be **paired with a partner** for support

Training and guidance will be provided every step of the way

Whether you're new to this ministry or have served before, your presence will be a blessing. It's a beautiful way to deepen your connection to our worship life and contribute to the spiritual rhythm of our congregation.

Please prayerfully consider joining the Altar Guild. Your service will not go unnoticed—and it will be deeply appreciated.

Interested or have questions? - Reach out to **April Slauson**, who is coordinating on behalf of **Ethel Daly**.

Together, let's continue to honor the sacred traditions of our church with care and community.



Summer 2025



Wonderful food and fellowship at our Annual Picnic on June 8, 2025

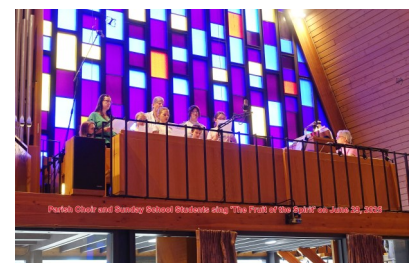


Memories

Lemonade on the Lawn



VBS Memories



Lots of wonderful Summer Singing

GIVING TO CLC THROUGH YOUR IRA: A SMART WAY TO SHARE...



If you're age 73 or older, the IRS requires you to take annual withdrawals from your traditional IRA—these are called **Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)**. The amount is based on your account balance at the end of the previous year and your life expectancy. For example, at age 73, the IRS Uniform Lifetime Table uses a factor of 26.5, which means your RMD is approximately **3.77%** of your IRA balance.

These distributions are **taxable income**. However, if you'd like to support CLC, there's a way to do so while reducing your tax bill: the **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)**.

A QCD allows you to contribute directly from your IRA to CLC. This amount can count toward your RMD and is **excluded from your taxable income**.

How to Make a QCD:

- ✚ Contact your IRA provider and request a **direct transfer** to CLC. You'll likely need to complete a form or initiate the request online.
- ✚ The payment must be made **directly to CLC**, not to you.
- ✚ When you file your taxes, the amount you donated directly from your IRA as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) doesn't count as taxable income.

Please contact a member of the CLC Finance Committee if you have any questions or plan to make a QCD. This helps us track and acknowledge your gift appropriately.

By using a QCD, you not only support a cause you care about—you also reduce your taxable income, making it a win-win for CLC and your finances!

Submitted by Kurt Lenz
Stewardship Committee

CLC SAYS GOODBYE TO A CHERISHED FRIEND...



Sunrise July 24, 1952 ~ Sunset June 10, 2025

Carlene Schellinger Myers

On June 10, 2025, our dear sister in Christ, "*Carlene Myers*", was called home to join those who have gone before us, reuniting with Our Lord.

Friends were invited to greet his family in the Fellowship Hall at CLC on Saturday August 2, 2025, from 9 AM to 11 AM.

A service in celebration of Carlene's life was held on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Cheshire Lutheran Church. Following the service, Carlene was laid to rest in the church's Columbarium.

We join the Myers family in grieving the loss of this devoted child of God and we cling to our Savior Jesus as we look forward to the day when we will be reunited with him 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

Bible Studies at CLC

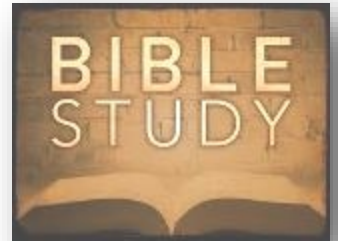
WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES...

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 14 at 9:10 a.m. Everyone is invited to join us for Rally Day during the Education Hour the Sunday before, September 7, where we'll enjoy some food, some fellowship, and some Bible-based fun.

In addition to Sunday morning Bible, our midweek Bible study will also be resuming on Wednesday, September 10, at 1:30 p.m. We will be starting a new book of the Bible this Fall, so come on out and join us.

Everyone is 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.



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.



COUNCIL & VOTERS MEETING REMINDER...

Mark your calendars:

✠ **Council** meetings:

✠ **Tuesday, September 2nd, at 7:00 PM in Person**

✠ **Voters** meetings:

✠ **Sunday, September 7th, after the late service in Person (approx. 11:45)**



HELP WANTED—SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS...

We are in need of more volunteers to help teach Sunday School this September. The materials we use come from our Synod's Concordia Publishing House. Samples of the materials are available for anyone who would like to look at them. Whether you have taught before or this would be your first time, please prayerfully consider joining us.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 2025

8 th	David and Sally Schrumm	52 Years
11 th	Jonah and Lisa Tyler	26 Years
12 th	Thom and Dale Zeppieri	38 Years
21 st	Julian and Lisa Muller	29 Years
	Peter and Rebecca Mayer	23 Years
25 th	Clifford and Paula Ongley	54 Years
26 th	Andy and Pam Clark	33 Years

COUNCIL AND VOTERS MEETING
REMINDER...

Council/Voters will resume their meeting schedule in September as follows:

Council meetings:

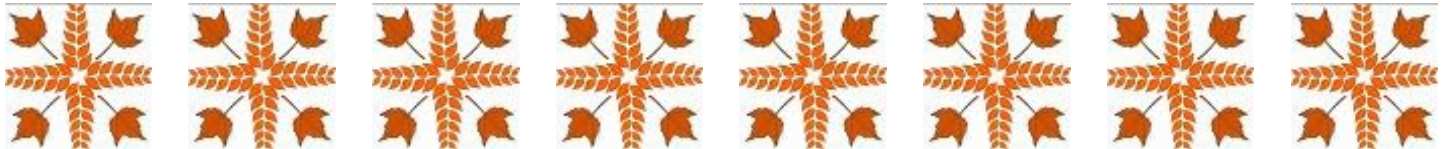
† Tuesday, September 2nd, at 7:00 PM in Person

Voters meetings:

† Sunday, September 7th, after the late service in Person (approx. 11:45)



1st Judy Watson
4th Christine Mason
Joe Holstein
5th Michel Duchesne
9th Terri Daly
11th Sally Schrumm
12th Allison Smith Johnson
14th Alan Spose
Lisette Donewald
Wendy Emerick
Ken Finger
15th Leigh Giampietro
16th Joy McHugh
18th Alex Muller
Frank Miller
22nd Nancy Schweizer
23rd Aliza Taylor
Sean Horton
26th Nancy Engelhardt
Susan Harris
27th Erich Strunk, Sr.
28th Craig Henderson
Wendy Milton
29th Lisa Muller
30th Bill Juul



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