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HOSPITALIZED: CONTINUED PRAYERS:

Grover Van Dyke, Cassie Harris, Byron Webb, Dean Baize, Jennifer Krueger, Joni Bradshaw, Donna Gogele, Clyde Lockenour, Mike Trau, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Norm Zentko, Darlene Marvel, Louie Heuermann, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Pat Kretzmann (Rebecca Best's mother), Jan Long, Tina Hill, Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Jeff Lowe, Michael VandeVoorde, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Amelia Martin (granddaughter of Debbie Lawrence), Doug Closen (son of Debbie Lawrence), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), Sheila Sturdivant, Julie Campen, for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, CLS staff and students, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. *THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU* that if you have someone you would like to be remembered in The Prayer of the Church during worship on Sundays, send an email to angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). We will renew prayers when requested.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (OCT 28th - NOV 3rd)

MON 10/28:

TUE 10/29:

WED 10/30: Chapel.....10:00AM
View and Chew11:30AM
Adult Choir.....6:30PM

THU 10/31: Trunk or Treat5:00PM

FRI 11/01: Ladies Bible Study.....9:30AM

SAT 11/02: Parish Ed9:00AM
BBQ.....2:00PM

SUN 11/03: Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran School.. 9:00AM
LWML Bake Sale
Sunday School10:15AM
Bible Class 10:30AM

OCTOBER 27, 2024

REFORMATION DAY

Scripture of the Day

Revelations 14:6-7, Romans 3:19-28,

Mark 10:46-52

*Boldly living
Christ's extreme love;
Building Faith
and Community*

Reformation Day

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!

NOTE TO OUR GUESTS: Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you're not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

VISION STATEMENT: Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR: Tommie Washington

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Del Hume, Alan White

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY: Wendy Kisler, Kari Boswell

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Colleen Lamberti, Maddie Markovich

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Kayley Smith, Gracie Smith

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for All Saints' Day- The First Lesson: Revelations 7:(2-8)9-17, The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3, and The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: is "JELLYFISH". The packets for Finding Jesus Under the Sea, contain fun activities and games to help your kids learn all about the books of the Bible, so be sure to check out the digital version in your church email or pick up a packet at the back door. If the packets are gone, see Laura, Darla, or Sue about getting a hard copy.

(This week is Milestone Ministries. Regular classes and packets will be back next week!).

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$5990.00; MTD: \$20,361.00 Improvement Fund: \$30.00; MTD: \$265.00. Attendance: 100. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 1, 1st-5th 9 & 6th-HS 4, Visitors 5, Adults 45, Total 64.

THIS IS THE 48TH SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Romans 3:20 – "For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin." The Law of God is good — it's just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God's holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well: as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: to the glory of God and in celebration of Christine & Jeff Grebe's 33rd wedding anniversary on October 26th.

VIEW AND CHEW - Wednesday, 11:30-1:00PM. We are studying THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah" by Ray Vander Lann. Please bring your lunch; we'll also have drinks and other snacks available. Please feel free to invite your friends! If you have any questions, please contact Alan White.

LUTHERAN CEMETERY: Fall cleanup begins November 1st.

LWML NEWS: The ladies of LWML will be remembering our veterans next month by collecting a variety of hygiene and general items for both Pathway Ministries and Esther House. Donations for both men and women are needed: deodorant, individual size toothpaste, etc., socks, underwear, hand & toe warmers, winter gloves, finger & toenail clippers, sturdy razors, and coffee will be collected today, November 3, and November 10. Donation boxes are available by the rear Annex Door and across from the Community Room. Cash donations will also graciously be accepted by Suzanne Heinz or Bonnie Farrell. ALL donations will be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

LWML CHANGE: Please note, the monthly "Mites for Missions" donations will be collected on Sunday, November 10th at the annex entrance.

TRUNK OR TREAT: is Thursday, the 31st, from 5-6pm. To volunteer or ask questions, please talk with Laura Baize (309 370-6531) or JoAnne Reith (309 231-3155). We and the children will be appreciating you!

14 th ANNUAL CHRIST LUTHERAN DINNER AND AUCTION will be held on Saturday, November 9 th at 4:00 PM at the Par-A-Dice Hotel. The evening includes dinner, a silent and live auction and lots of fun. In all, you can bid on more than 500 items and perhaps do some Christmas shopping. Tickets cost \$60. To purchase a ticket or make a donation see Pastor Eckhoff, Mr. Schmidtke or Mr. Mooney. For more information call 309-648-1549.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS: It's time to start gathering items to fill Thanksgiving baskets to share with those in need. Watch the bulletin the next few weeks for the list of needed items!

Order of Service

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (LSB 656)

Confession and Absolution**The First Reading**

Revelation 14:6-7 p. 1036

The Epistle Reading

Romans 3:19-28 p. 941

The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36 p. 894

Nicene Creed**Hymn of the Day**

"Have No Fear, Little Flock" (LSB 735)

Sermon

"Open Our Eyes Lord"

Mark 10:46-52

Rev. Ron Miller

Prayer of the Church**The Lord's Prayer****The Words of Our Lord****Distribution Hymns**

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" (LSB 655)

"Thy Strong Word" (LSB 578)

"Salvation Unto Us Has Come" (LSB 555)

Post Communion Thanksgiving**Benediction****Closing Hymn**

"The Church's One Foundation" (LSB 644)

Pianist: Amy Traenkenschuh

Reversing Roe: Part 4 (provided by Peoria Area Lutherans for Life)

Abortion has been with us as humans for a very long time, but the modern history of abortion in our nation is easily traced back to the 1930's when eugenicist Margaret Sanger founded her American Birth Control League as part of what became known as the Racial Hygiene movement. Interestingly, she was an associate of Adolph Hitler and praised him for his racial politics of eugenics. During World War II Margaret changed the name of her organization to Planned Parenthood to disguise her affiliation with the Nazis. Today, Planned Parenthood is our nation's largest abortion provider, a 2-billion dollar business. Over \$500 million of their annual income is from U.S. taxpayers' money given to them by our government! When our Supreme Court Justices voted 5-4 to reverse Roe they ruled that it is now up to each state to decide whether or not abortion will be legal within that state's borders. At this time, every state that borders Illinois has laws that are either "most restrictive" or "very restrictive" as defined by the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute. Illinois is categorized as "protective" of abortions, which is not surprising considering our governor's promise to make Illinois a "sanctuary state" for abortions. As a result, Planned Parenthood has constructed an 11,200 sq ft "state of the art" facility in Carbondale, Illinois. Opened in December, 2023, they call it the Carbondale Health Center and attract women from all across the nation. It is uncertain how effective abortion bans will be in saving babies' lives now that chemical abortion drugs are available in pharmacies and are being shipped through the mail to women who undergo their own abortions at home. Thank you for reading this book review. Please pray that God will lead our nation to respect life as His precious gift to all people. Also, please prepare yourself to vote for pro-life candidates on November 5th . Peoria Area Lutherans for Life will be providing voter guides and other voter education resources as they become available, or go to ivoterguide.com to start your candidate research now. God bless you.