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Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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.

HOSPITALIZED:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Tyler McConkey (Barb O'Dell's grandson), Mary Fran Wessler, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, Joel Ommen, Rick Schultz, Bonnie Gallas (Deb Wolfmeyer's sister), Susan VanMoorlem (Reith), Sarah Ly Hang, Kevin Sommer (Barb O'Dell's step-son), Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Byron Webb, Joni Bradshaw, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Darlene Marvel, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), 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.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR :

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Reg Lee, Alan White

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Linda Elward, Emily Zaia

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Nash Mooney, Milo Small

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Andrew Simmons, Michael VandeVoorde

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost- The First

Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20, The Second Lesson: Philemon 1-21, The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-35.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY is today. This will be for our teachers of child and adult classes on Sundays and throughout the week. Following service will be 5th Sunday treats, water games for the kids, and **ADULT BIBLE CLASSES WILL TAKE PLACE AS USUAL.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS - Today will be a fun one for the Sunday School kids! We will be playing water games outside, weather-permitting.

WE WELCOME PASTOR Ron Miller, who will be sharing the Good News with us this morning, as well as next week.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$3,796.51; MTD: \$27,610.51, Improvement Fund: \$0.00; MTD: \$90.00. Church Attendance: 134, N-K: 3, 1st-5th: 10, 6th-HS: 2, Adults: 40, Visitors: 6, Total: 61.

VIEW AND CHEW - will be meeting *September 10th*. Season 5, Episode 1, of the Chosen will be shown. Bring your lunch! Invite your friends! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please call Alan White with questions.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE will be activated to fill the Vice-chair positions for 2026, as well as the empty Vice-president position from this year. Members and meetings TBD.

CAT MATCHING FUNDS: Please mark your envelope **“CLS matching fund program”** so they can be easily spotted. They have to be identified as received in order to get the match.

“MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO THE LORD!” That’s the goal of our church’s Bell Choir. We are always looking for new ringers: some for substitutes for a rehearsal or a Sunday service, some who are able to join us for special holiday services, and some who can make the commitment for weekly rehearsals throughout the year. We rehearse on Thursday afternoons, at four, for about 75 minutes. Is being in the Bell Choir a commitment? Yes, but it also is a sacrifice of praise to our eternally awesome and gracious God, who is worthy of all our praise! Interested? Please text Linda Von Behren at 309 645-2683 for more information.

THIS IS THE 40th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Luke 14:11 – “For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom” (Psalm 111:10). That’s called humility. The Lord is God and we are not. With that in mind, how could we not seek to follow His Word in all aspects of life? He knows what He is talking about and

we don't. If you believe that, then striking out on a path of faithfulness in the realm of stewardship is a lot easier: it just makes sense.

LWGP is once again sponsoring a Fall Mum Fundraiser in conjunction with Picket Fence Foundation in Chillicothe. Picket Fence is a non-profit organization that provides employment and training opportunities for people with disabilities. The mums come in 8" pots in a variety of colors for \$10. \$25 gift cards for Picket Fence are also available. Contact Suzanne Heinz for an order form. **Deadline to order is today.** Mums will be picked up by Suzanne on Friday, September 19th.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (SEPT 1st – SEPT 7th)

<u>MON 09/01:</u>	Labor Day – Office Closed	
<u>TUES 09/02:</u>	Trustees.....	6:30PM
<u>WED 09/03:</u>	Chapel	10:00AM
	Choir.....	6:30PM
<u>THU 09/04:</u>	Bell Choir.....	4:00PM
	Stew/Finance (via zoom).....	6:30PM
<u>FRI 09/05:</u>	Bible Study.....	9:30AM
<u>SAT 09/06:</u>	Parish Ed	9:00AM
<u>SUN 09/07:</u>	Holy Communion.....	9:00AM
	LWML Bake Sale	
	Sunday School.....	10:15AM
	Bible Classes	10:30AM

ONLINE GIVING



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