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Sixteenth 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: Grover Van Dyke, Mary Fran Wessler, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, 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 : Tommie Washington

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

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Nancy Knoll

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Feli Foote, Carter Ferro

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Abe McIntosh, Nash Mooney

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost- The First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4, The Second Lesson: 2Timothy 1:1-14, The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:1-10.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: is "Roly-Poly/Jehoshaphat

Leads Judah to Victory". The packets for Bugs, 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. See Laura, Darla, or Sue about getting a hard copy.

THE MINISTRY BOARD is preparing for our Christmas program on December 21st. We would appreciate any volunteers or participation-youth, adults. Also, any children not currently attending Sunday School are welcome. Please call JoAnne Reith 309 231-3155 to volunteer or ask any questions. Thank you! Your help is always appreciated.

MILESTONE MINISTRIES "Today is the last day to register your 2nd grader for the 1st Bible Milestone classes being held on 10/5 and 10/12. If you have questions, please contact Aubrey Chase (260)466-5506 or Norma White (309)613-0373"

CONGRATULATIONS: Dwayne and Carol Allen celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary yesterday, Sept 27th!

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$6,525.00; MTD: \$24,110.75, Improvement Fund: \$125.00; MTD: \$210.00. Church Attendance: 130, N-K: 6, 1st-5th: 9, 6th-HS: 2, Adults: 47, Visitors: 6, Total: 70.

VIEW AND CHEW - Season 5, Episode 3, of the Chosen will be shown. Bring your lunch! Invite your friends! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please call Alan White with questions.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: today in thanksgiving to God for our parents, George and Mildred Reith, on the occasion of their anniversary 83 years ago. To God be the Glory!

THIS IS THE 44th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Amos 6:1a – "Woe to those who are at ease in Zion." The Book of Amos is a warning to God's people who have been given great material wealth. As Jesus Himself mentions, material blessings can turn into temptations — chiefly the temptation to think of ourselves as self-sufficient and independent. What does Amos suggest as a way to combat this temptation? First, faith in the Lord and dependence upon Him! And if our faith is right, we will want to follow the rest of Amos' instructions — to bless the poor with our alms and to make sure the Lord's House is properly cared for. In other words, we are called to align our actions with God's priorities and put others ahead of ourselves.

LWML NEWS: It's Coming! Next Sunday, October 5th, is LWML Sunday! We will be collecting "Mites for Missions" at the annex door and anyone who gives a donation will receive a handmade potholder. Additional potholders

and coasters will be for sale in the Parish Hall after service. Also, homemade baked goods will be available after service in the Parish Hall...and SURPRISE! Small plates of 'cookies and sweet treats' will also be made available to "get you in the mood" for our annual Cookie Walk, December 13th! Thank you for your ongoing support!! REMINDER: Next meeting October 11th at 10:00am in the Community Room.

PLEASE JOIN PEORIA AREA LUTHERANS FOR LIFE and many other tri-county Christians for the national Life Chain event on Sunday, October 5, 2:00-3:00pm. Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals quietly standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception. This is an annual observance of the Life Chain which occurs simultaneously in over 1,200 locations across our nation and in Canada (see www.LifeChain.net). We will meet at 2:00pm at the Planned Parenthood on 2709 N. Knoxville, Peoria, IL. The Life Chain will stretch north and south from there. Signs are provided by Central Illinois Right to Life. If you have any questions, please contact LFL President, Bob Wegner, at 309-481-4886.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (SEPT 29th – OCT 5th)

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| <u>MON 09/29:</u> | Bell Choir..... | 4:00PM |
| <u>TUES 09/30:</u> | | |
| <u>WED 10/01:</u> | Chapel | 10:00AM |
| | View and Chew | 11:45AM |
| | Choir..... | 6:30PM |
| <u>THU 10/02:</u> | | |
| <u>FRI 10/03:</u> | Bible Study..... | 9:30AM |
| <u>SAT 10/04:</u> | Parish Ed | 9:00AM |
| <u>SUN 10/05:</u> | Holy Communion..... | 9:00AM |
| | LWML Bake Sale | |
| | Milestone Ministries (2 nd Grade)..... | 10:15AM |
| | Sunday School..... | 10:15AM |
| | Bible Classes | 10:30AM |

ONLINE GIVING



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