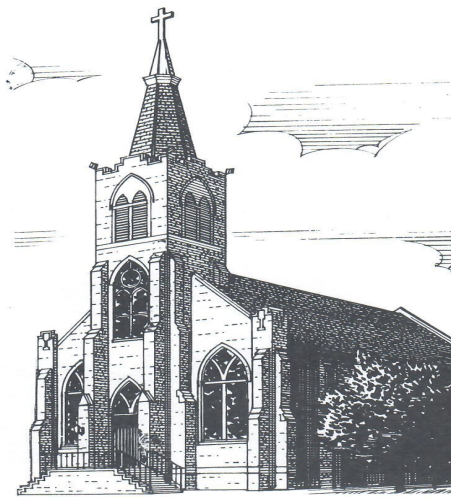




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The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

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: Mary Fran Wessler

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Sheila Hills, Cindy Coffee, Jeremy Coffee, Sue Lee, Summer Faylor, Matthew Zentko, Jan Long, Tina Hill, Mark Samp, Grover Van Dyke, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, Sarah Ly Hang, Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Linda Samp, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), 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 : Alan White

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Alan White, Chad Whitehead

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Beth Bennett

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Carter Ferro, Nash Mooney

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Feli Foote, Kaeden Heuermann

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 7:6-9, The Second Lesson: Romans 8:28-39, The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: Fruits of the Spirit/Faithfulness

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$8,740.00; MTD: \$15,492.00.

Improvement Fund: \$55.00; MTD: \$165.00. Church Attendance: 118, N-2: 1, 3rd-7th: 5, 8-HS: 2, Adults: 46, Visitors: 0, Total: 54.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR: are given by Nancy Marlott, to the glory of God with thanksgiving for blessings.

34th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Romans 8:18 – “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel — if we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed,” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO DONATE please consider donating towards the school's A.R. Store. Our Accelerated Reader Program encourages students to read books and earn points. Those points allow them to “shop” for fun rewards to celebrate their hard work!

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR: Each Sunday the Lutheran Hour can be heard on WGN 720 (Chicago) at 6:00am and on WLLM 1370 (Lincoln) at 7:00pm.

ROOTED IN CHRIST SUMMER CAMP is off to a wonderful start!!

Our Rooted in Christ Summer Camp is already flourishing! We are blessed to have 40 campers enrolled this summer, with an average of 30 children attending each day. Every day is filled with opportunities for students to grow in faith, build friendships, explore God's creation, and have fun together.

This year's theme, "Rooted in Christ," reminds us of God's promise in Colossians 2:6-7: *"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."*

Campers begin each day with devotions and prayer before participating in exciting STEM activities, arts and crafts, outdoor games, service opportunities, and hands-on learning that reinforce God's love in everything they do.

This week our campers enjoyed their first field trip to the Caterpillar Visitors Center in Peoria. Students explored the history of Caterpillar, climbed aboard massive construction equipment, discovered the engineering behind these incredible machines, and experienced interactive exhibits that sparked curiosity and wonder. It was a fantastic day of learning, laughter, and fellowship!

Thank you to our congregation for your continued prayers and support of this ministry.

Your encouragement helps provide a Christ-centered environment where children can grow deeper in their faith while creating lasting summer memories.
Please continue to keep our campers, families, counselors, and staff in your prayers as we remain Rooted in Christ throughout the summer

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (JULY 20th – JULY 26th)

MON 07/20:

TUES 07/21:

WED 07/22:

THU 07/23:

FRI 07/24:

SAT 07/25:

SUN 07/26:

Holy Communion.....	9:00AM
Sunday School.....	10:15AM
Bible Classes	10:30AM

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