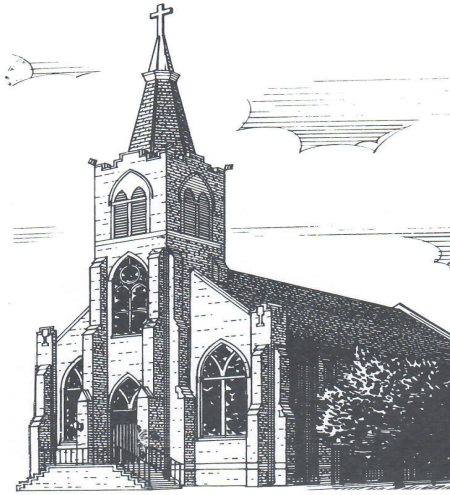




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The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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: Eric Funk, Mary Fran Wessler, Sheila Hills, Cindy Coffee (worked in school kitchen), Sue Lee, Summer Failor, 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 : Tommie Washington

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Mike Lelm, Del Hume

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Beth Bennett

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Kayley Smith, Kaeden Heuermann

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Maddie Markovich, DaRhonda Yates

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. The First Lesson: Isaiah 55:6-9, The Second Lesson: Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30, The Holy Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON TODAY: Optical Illusions/If I Mess Up, God Will Reject Me/Luke 15:11-32 Prodigal Son.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$6,770.00; MTD: \$6,770.00.

Improvement Fund: \$185.00; MTD: \$185.00. Church Attendance: 127, N-K: 2, 1st-4th: 5, 5-HS: 4, Adults: 47, Visitors: 2, Total: 59.

VIEW AND CHEW: Wednesday 11:45am, we continue with Ray Vander Laan's series "That the World May Know". Sept 16th there will be a special, early showing of Season 6, Episode 1 of The Chosen. Bring your lunch & bring a friend! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please call Alan White with questions.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR to the glory of God and in honor of Trace and Cassie Mc Intosh's 20th anniversary and Cruze Komnick's 14th birthday.

42nd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER Romans 14:7 – "For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself." We just don't belong to ourselves — we belong first of all to God, and through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation: as a Christian you serve others in the church, as a neighbor you serve others in society, and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY, As we prepare for the upcoming ministry year, we are exploring some exciting updates to our youth confirmation and early communion programs. All members of the congregation are warmly invited to join us immediately following worship, to hear about these changes and share your input. Your support and prayers are invaluable as we seek to nurture the faith of our youngest members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS! to Dale Eckhoff, Sept 13th.

SECURITY AWARENESS TRAINING will take place on Saturday, September 26th, from 9:30-12:30am, in the Community Room. Attendance is limited to 25. Please let the church office know if you plan on attending. Lunch will be provided through a Thrivent Action Team grant.

OCTOBER 25TH is the deadline to turn in pictures of family members who have served the United States armed forces. We are creating a Veteran's Recognition slide show that will be shown during our Veteran's Day Service.

LCMS FOUNDATION

September 13, 2026 The best scenario when creating a Christian estate plan is to work in collaboration. Sometimes in a marriage, one or the other spouse may have a dominance over investments and other financial decisions, just based on preference, skills or habits throughout life. However, in the estate planning process, it is essential that the thoughts of

both spouses be represented well. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can facilitate these mutually sharing conversations. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (SEPT 14TH – SEPT 20th)

MON 09/14: Bells.....4:00PM

TUES 09/15:

WED 09/16: Chapel.....10:00AM

View & Chew11:45AM

Choir6:30PM

THU 09/17:

FRI 09/18: Bible Study.....9:30AM

SAT 09/19:

SUN 09/20: Holy Communion.....9:00AM

LWML Bake Sale

Sunday School.....10:15AM

Bible Classes10:30AM

ONLINE GIVING



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