



Capitol Drive
Lutheran Church
Sounding the Love of Christ

WEEKLY NEWS

September 2, 2018
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Capitol Drive Lutheran Church -
*A congregation
Sounding the Love of Christ
by caring for the poor
and vulnerable
in our community*

Welcome to Visitors

May God bless your experience in worship today! If your children need a break, they can play in the area in the back left part of the sanctuary. You are invited to join us as we share the Lord's Supper. If you would like to know more about us, you can chat with any member after worship. We'd also be delighted if you sign our guest register located near the church entrance.

Week of August 26, 2018

SUNDAY Attendance: 27

**OFFERING: \$1,681.00 (Sunday collection)
\$180.00 (Automatic deposits)**

Total: \$1,861.00

Marilyn Bauer; Nathan Iseler (Karla's brother); Patrick Kiley; Jeffrey Lund; Dennis Mierendorf (friend of Julane Sebastian); Evan Jaeger; Janette Richardson (friend of Dennis Smoody); Donna and Al Eiglmeier (friends of Liz Bollmann); Ardiss Nelson; Daniel Succa (Donna Weis' nephew); Melanie Roberts (friend of Linda Jaeger); McKenzie O'Conner (granddaughter of Neva and Chris Conlon; per Kathy Kannass); Ed Six (friend of Linda Jaeger); Rev. John Schumell; Michael Smith (Marlene's son); Nicole and Danari Byrd (Marie Byrd's daughter and grandson); Sherri Holt; Donna Schmidt (friend of the quilters); Ron Shikora (friend of Kathy Kannass).



Anyone wishing to add a person to the Prayer Corner list or to remove someone with thanksgiving may do so by calling the church office (414-445-1656).

Gloria Beal sends handmade cards of comfort, condolence, or congratulations. Please call (414-282-0111) or e-mail her (glowrm64@hotmail.com) with your requests to send a card.

This morning we bid a fond farewell and Godspeed to Pastor Jay Thorson and his wife Beth. We wish them well as they begin a new phase in their ministry at Holy Trinity Church in West Allis. Our prayers go with you!

Prayer for the Week

Our hearts overflow with longings too great for words, gracious God. You have been so good to us, yet we are dissatisfied. We have many things to enjoy but seldom have we found our home with you. Meet us here to anoint us with the oil of gladness. Awaken us with singing and speak your truth to draw us away from the lure of wickedness. May our worship help us to become a wise and understanding people, eager to live as the body of Christ, making a difference in the world as Jesus did so long ago on the Galilean shore.

God of all truth, whose reality is far beyond the religion we profess, and whose ways are broader than our flawed human precepts, we would honor you with our lips and our lives, worshiping you above all else in life and welcoming your transforming presence within us, that we might become doers of the Word who offer healing to the world. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 2	9:30AM Worship
15th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Monday, September 3	Labor Day - Offices closed
Tuesday, September 4	9:30AM Gathering Place
Wednesday, September 5	9:30AM Gathering Place 10:15AM YMCA Exercise 11:00AM SPGP Bible Study 12:00PM SPGP Meal
Thursday, September 6	7:00AM Men's Breakfast
Friday, September 7	
Saturday, September 8	
Sunday, September 9	9:30AM Worship
16th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Diane Olson, Guest Preacher	

Monday, September 3 - Romans 8:28

In all things God works for our good

This will be my last series of Bible reading suggestions for the people of Capitol Drive. As you know, I begin a new call at a different church this week. This will be a time of uncertainty for this congregation, and a time of soul-searching about your future. But it need not be a time of fear or anxiety. God has a plan, and God is in charge. The most important thing is not whether or not Capitol Drive rallies for a new day, or closes as its people enrich other congregations. What is important is the health of God's kingdom, and the wonderful gift we have of being able to get a foretaste of this, and our commission to give our lives to that kingdom in loving service. Nothing can take that away from you.

To help you move from anxiety about the future to confidence in God's plan, we will focus on a famous section of the book of Romans, going through it slowly this week. This is one of the most important, comforting, but also challenging passages in the entire Bible. First off, it is a statement of faith. When you have saving faith, you trust that all things – good and bad – are part of God's plan, and they are pieces of a beautiful puzzle. The tough part is that it is *God's* plan, not ours. It is for *God's* purposes, not ours. And whenever we try to force God's plan to fit our desires, we will be frustrated, because God always prevails. So, this passage is a comfort to those who submit to God, and a terror to those who are fighting against God's plans.

Tuesday, September 4 - Romans 8:29-30

God's foreknowledge and predestination

Predestination is the Biblical teaching that God is in control of everything, and all things happen because of God, and with God's permission. This doesn't cancel our freedom, because God is able to do His will *through* our free choices. Believers should take comfort in this passage, knowing that, if you believe, then you can be certain God has chosen you for his kingdom!



Wednesday, September 5 - Romans 8:31-35

Who can be against us?

The reason it is so comforting that God is in control, and that we have been chosen by God, is that it is very useful to have an all-powerful being on your side. Verse 32 teaches us to look to the cross for confirmation that God is for us. In verse 33, it says that no matter how wicked our sins are, we can't be condemned for them, because Jesus has paid for those sins. Jesus could have quit on the cross and come down, but he withstood all the forces of hell, until he took on himself every last sin of ours. If Jesus didn't quit on us then, he won't quit on us ever. No one can stop that!

Thursday, September 6 - Romans 8:36-37

More than conquerors

Throughout life, we fight both inside and outside enemies. The inside enemy is the sin that still lives in us, that makes us vulnerable to Satan, who tells us "God doesn't love you because you do bad things." We need to trust that Christ dealt with that guilt on the cross. But we also face outside enemies: persecutions and trials. These also tempt us to think that God has abandoned us. Here the Bible teaches that we are to trust that these hardships are temporary parts of a larger story, where we end up being conquerors over death, sharing in Christ's victory.

Friday, September 7 - Romans 8:38-39

Nothing can separate us from God's love

The most important thing to see in this famous passage is that we are in it. We are to include ourselves in the "things present." This means that we are not able to separate ourselves from God's love. We literally cannot escape God's love. God's love reaches into hell. Indeed it is hell to be surrounded by God's love when you don't want to receive it. That's why the scriptures say, 'Be reconciled to God.' In effect, stop resisting, and let God's love surround you and comfort you.

Saturday, September 8 - Psalm 27

I will never be afraid

Now that we are done with Romans 8, let's finish the week with a psalm. Psalm 27 is a prayer that reinforces many of the themes of the Romans passage. Focus on verse 10 – even when our earthly parents let us down, our heavenly Father will always receive us.

Devotions by Pastor Jay R. Thorson



WORSHIP LEADERSHIP	September 2 Pentecost 15	September 9 Pentecost 16	September 16 Pentecost 17	September 23 Pentecost 18	September 30 Pentecost 19
Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pr. Jay Thorson	Pr. Diane Olson	Pr. Fran Odden	Pr. Diane Olson	Pr. John Eyster
Assisting Ministers	David Bartel	Julane Sebastian	Brian Luttamus	Dennis Smoody	Bonnie Lund
Lector	Jacob Musil	Jim Katrichis	O B Beal	Jacob Musil	John Katrichis
Musicians	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee
Communion Assistants	TBA	Carol Hess	Marlene Smith	Brian Luttamus	Linda Jaeger
Ushers	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Hospitality					
Altar Guild	Carol Hess	Liz Musil	Liz Musil	Donna Weis	Donna Weis
Council Members	Dennis Smoody, Dan Lehenbauer, David Bartel, Chris Kosma, Liz Bollmann, Bonnie Lund, Jan Smoody, and Rose Sorries.				

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September Birthdays at CDLC

September 8	Gene Anderson
September 11	John Kosma
September 11	Crystal McKee
September 17	Laura Goeckermann
September 19	Amy Beal
September 22	Ben Katrichis
September 24	Christine Kosma

Sign up to bring treats and
 share your hospitality at CDLC
 this month!



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September 2 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum	3	4 9:30 Gathering Place	5 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 Meal	6 7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast	7	8 9:00 AM: Quilting
September 9 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum	10 <u>1:00 PM:</u> <u>Council Mtg.</u>	11 9:30 Gathering Place	12 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal	13	14 <i>Holy Cross Day</i>	15
September 16 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum	17 5:00 PM D7 Crime / Safety Meeting @ Atone- ment Lutheran School	18 9:30 Gathering Place	19 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal	20 7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM: Quilters	21 <i>Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	22
September 23 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum	24	25 9:30 Gathering Place	26 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP WORSHIP 12:00 GP Meal	27	28	29 10AM : Neighbor- hood Watch Meeting (Lounge) <i>Michael and All Angels</i>
September 30 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 10:45 Adult Forum	October 1	2 9:30 Gathering Place	3 9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 Meal	4 <i>Francis of Assisi</i>	5	6 9:00 AM: Quilting