



Capitol Drive
Lutheran Church
Sounding the Love of Christ

WEEKLY NEWS

September 9, 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*

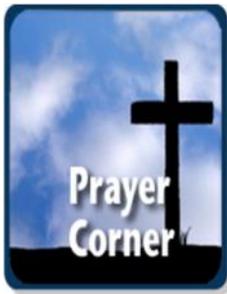
Welcome to Visitors

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 September 2, 2018

SUNDAY Attendance: 30
OFFERING: \$1,026.00 (Sunday collection)
\$500.00 (Automatic deposits)
Total: \$1,526.00

Marilyn Bauer; Patrick Kiley; Bill Bravener; Lori 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); 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.

We welcome Pastor Diane Olson to CDLC this morning, and we thank her for sharing worship with us.

Thank you to Marlene Smith for organizing last Sunday's farewell reception for Pr. Jay and his wife Beth.

Prayer for the Week

O God, we confess that our good intentions have gone astray. We favor the people who are like us and honor those we deem to be important. We dishonor the poor, write off those with whom we disagree, excuse our self-serving behavior, and sow injustice on every hand. It is so much easier to give advice than to do good. We would rather point fingers at others who are unfair than to give up our own advantages. We plead for your forgiveness and for a depth of faith that will make a difference in us and in our world.

Inclusive God, ever available to all who truly seek you, come to us through all we read and speak, that the messages your people hear may become your word to us, a word that transforms, makes whole, and unites us in mutual learning and service, for the sake of all your children. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 9	9:30AM Worship
16th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Diane Olson, Guest Preacher	
<u>Monday, September 10</u>	1:00PM Council Meeting
<u>Tuesday, September 11</u>	9:30AM Gathering Place
<u>Wednesday, September 12</u>	9:30AM Gathering Place
	10:15AM YMCA Exercise
	11:00AM SPGP Bible Study
	12:00PM SPGP Meal
<u>Thursday, September 13</u>	
<u>Friday, September 14</u>	<i>Holy Cross Day</i>
<u>Saturday, September 15</u>	
Sunday, September 16	9:30AM Worship
17th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Fran Odden, Guest Preacher	

Monday, September 10 - 2 Corinthians 5:17

Your old life has ended; everything is new in Christ

Everything from your old life has ended and all things have become new. In this verse, Paul isn't talking about our natural life but our spiritual life. When we received the free gift of Jesus Christ into our lives, there was a transformation that happened on the inside of each one of us. The same power that raised Jesus from the dead gave new life to our spirit when we were baptized into the body of Christ. At that very moment, our 'old nature' died, and a new life began. While this is a wonderful picture of our salvation, many of us still struggle with remnants of our old ways, seemingly still alive and well in our soul. Old thought patterns, familiar false beliefs, etc. seem to dominate our minds. The truth is that while these struggles are real, in actual fact, they are just residue from our former life. The only power that they continue to hold over us is the power that we give to them by agreeing with these thoughts. That is why we are called to not be conformed to this world any longer but transformed by the renewing of the mind (Romans 12:1-2). May today be the day when our inner person, a new creation in Christ, rises up and declares the truth of who we truly are.

Tuesday, September 11 - Acts 17:27-28

Reach out, touch me, for I am not far from you

Paul tells his pagan listeners that God is so close to them that they can actually just reach out and touch God for "in Him we live and move and have our being." The truth is that the universe does not contain God; God contains the universe. In Colossians 1, Paul says that Jesus is the glue that holds everything together. Every proton, every electron, every atom - all held together by the very presence of Jesus. As you ponder this today, may God give you the awareness of God's nearness to you. God is not far off in some distant land, but God is closer than you could possibly imagine. So reach out today and encounter the love of God who is with you wherever you go.

Wednesday, September 12 - Isaiah 65:24

Before you even call out to me, I will answer you

Have you ever felt that God seemed a million miles away when you prayed? All of us have struggled with the feeling that our prayers seemed like they were bouncing off the ceiling at one time or another. Why do we sometimes have these feelings of being distant to God when we pray? Whatever the reason, it is at these times when we can exercise our faith and demonstrate that we believe God despite our perceptions (Hebrews 11:6). Even though we go through seasons of feeling isolated and distant, the truth is that God is not distant when we pray. God is closer to us than we could possibly imagine and today's verse is an encouragement that God will answer us even *before* we pray. In Matthew 6:8, Jesus affirms this by telling his disciples that their heavenly Father knows what they need before they even ask. Pray that faith will rise up in your heart when you pray, because we know that God is fully engaged with us and ready to answer even before we call out to God.

Thursday, September 13 - Isaiah 30:21

I will guide you in the way you should go

While hiking, have you ever come to a fork on a trail and not be sure which direction to take? Wouldn't it be nice if at that exact moment, you had a guide behind you whispering in your ear what to do? In today's verse, God is saying that God is right behind us and God will tell us the way we should go. What a comforting thought to know that we are not left on our own to figure things out. God has committed to walk with us and at times to carry us on our journey. Sometimes when we struggle to find God's direction, we wonder if it is because there are so many other thoughts swirling around in our brain that we just fail to hear God's tranquil, small voice. Experts say that we all have tens of thousands of thoughts chattering in our brain on an average day. Perhaps all that noise is drowning out the gentle, quiet whisper of our God who is standing behind us, willing to tell us where we should go if we will only quiet our minds to listen. This is why it says in Psalm 46:10 to "be still and know that I am God." The next time you need to know what path to take, why not quiet yourself (to the best of your ability) from all the chattering and opinions that swirl in your thought-life and listen for the tranquil, small voice behind you? God has promised to be there and to be the voice that will direct you in the way you should go.

Friday, September 14 - Psalm 18:34-35

I will train you for battle with my shield of salvation

The Bible says that we are to fight the good fight of faith and to put on the full armor of God so that can stand against the enemy. It also says that the kingdom of God suffers violence and the violent take it by force. There is no question that there is a battle going on in the spiritual realm and we are called to take our stand and resist the enemy. In today's verses, King David paints an intimate picture of how God trains him for battle. Even in the midst of preparations for battle, David speaks of a God who gently trains him and sustains him and even stoops down from heaven to make him great. No matter what battle you are facing today, be comforted in knowing that it is God who will equip you to fight the good fight, for the battle belongs to the Lord.

Saturday, September 15 - 2 Thessalonians 3:3

I will be faithful and give you my strength and protection

God is faithful. God will never leave us or forsake us and God has promised to protect us from the evil one. In a world that is full of broken promises, this is something that we can know and rely on. We can rest in the fact that we are safe and secure in our heavenly Father's love. God's Word is God's bond and God is completely faithful to do all that God promises. May faith rise up in our hearts today to believe that God is who God says God is and that we are who God says we are: God's beloved children (1 John 3:1).

**"WHEN CHRIST CALLS A MAN, HE BIDS
HIM COME AND DIE."
— DIETRICH BONHOEFFER, THE COST OF
DISCIPLESHIP**

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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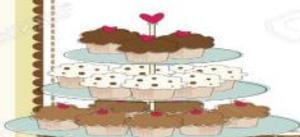
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September Birthdays at CDLC

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