



Capitol Drive
Lutheran Church
Sounding the Love of Christ

WEEKLY NEWS

September 16, 2018
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<http://capitoldrivelutheran.net> (It's new!)

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 9, 2018

SUNDAY Attendance: 26

**OFFERING: \$781.00 (Sunday collection)
\$180.00 (Automatic deposits)**

Total: \$961.00

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 Fran Odden to CDLC this morning, and we thank him for sharing worship with us.

Pray for all those affected by Hurricane Florence.

Prayer for the Week

God of all wisdom, renew our sense of awe and wonder as we pray to you, the Source of all knowledge. Make your Word known to us, and stretch out your hand to touch us. Draw us away from our own devices that we may truly listen to the witness of all creation speaking of wonders we have ignored. Give us eyes to see beauty all around us. Align us with truth and righteousness. Quiet our scoffing and awaken our trust. Show us the disciplines we need to stay in touch with you each day.

Reigning God, whom we have glimpsed in creation and in the life of one who shared our common lot, help us to acknowledge the Messiah, not in empty words, but in self-emptying service that risks life for the sake of love. May we come to be so attuned to your precepts that the song of our hearts becomes a contagious attraction, transforming the groups of which we are a part. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 16	9:30AM Worship
17th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Fran Odden, Guest Preacher	
<u>Monday, September 17</u>	1:00PM Council Meeting
<u>Tuesday, September 18</u>	9:30AM Gathering Place
<u>Wednesday, September 19</u>	9:30AM Gathering Place
	10:15AM YMCA Exercise
	11:00AM SPGP Bible Study
	12:00PM SPGP Meal
<u>Thursday, September 20</u>	7:00AM Men's Breakfast
	9:00AM Quilters
<u>Friday, September 21</u>	<i>Matthew, Apostle/Evangelist</i>
<u>Saturday, September 22</u>	
Sunday, September 23	9:30AM Worship
17th Sunday after Pentecost	10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Diane Olson, Guest Preacher	

Monday, September 17 - Psalm 68:19

I carry your burdens every day.

Let us be thankful that our God promises to save us and continually bear our burdens. When we feel the weight of the world on our own shoulders, may this verse encourage us that we are not called to carry the burdens ourselves. May we always be reminded of Jesus' invitation in Matthew 11:28-30 that says "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart; and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." If you are carrying a backpack full of worry and anxiety today, cast every care in that backpack onto God, because God really cares about you (1 Peter 5:7).

Tuesday, September 18 - 1 Peter 3:9

I have called you to inherit my blessing.

In this Scripture passage, Peter is encouraging us not to repay evil for evil, but rather be a blessing instead. If we are living with an orphan perspective, we will have to scratch and claw for everything we get in life. When people do evil things to us, we will need to respond in the same way back to them. The life of an orphan is lonely and scary. An orphan is left to their own devices to manage life. The life of a son or daughter, however, is quite different. They know they are loved beyond imagination and are safe from harm. They live in the reassurance that they are blessed beyond measure and that they have a rich inheritance of many blessings yet to come. In Ephesians 1:3, Paul says that our God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in heaven. The life that we are called to live is a life of abundance and blessing. That is why when someone acts in an "orphan-like" way to us, even a brother or sister in Christ, we don't have to respond in a similar way, but we can respond with blessings. May each of us be so filled with the revelation that we have been called to inherit a blessing that we become an absolute outflow of blessings to others.

Wednesday, September 19 - Proverbs 3:9-10

Honor me with your first fruits.

You will overflow with abundance.

Today's Scripture passage is a wonderful picture of abundance and overflow. The kingdom of God does not work like an earthy kingdom. In God's kingdom, it is more blessed to give than receive. In this kingdom, we can never out-give the most generous person in the universe for God loves to pour back into us far more than we could possibly give to God. Why does God want us to give our first fruits? We know that the entire earth is the Lord's and all that is in it. God has no need of our resources whatsoever. What God longs for more than anything else is our heart, and Jesus told us where our treasure is, there will our heart be also (Matthew 6:21). When we honor God with the very first and best of what our hands have created, we are acknowledging that God is the source of all our blessing. When we choose to trust in God's present and future supply of all our needs by giving to God our first fruits, it blesses God's heart and moves God to provide for us even more. It is wonderful to live in a kingdom where we don't have to provide for ourselves, for we have a Father who knows all our needs and God delights to give us the kingdom.

Thursday, September 20 - Isaiah 58:7-8

If you help the poor, your light will shine like the dawn.

God's heart is for the underdog. God protects the widow and the orphan and has chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom. In today's passage, God tells us that if we feed the hungry, give shelter to the poor, and clothe the naked, then God's favor and blessings will shine of all that we do. Verse 8 says: "Then your salvation will come like the dawn, and your wounds will quickly heal. Your godliness will lead you forward, and the glory of the Lord will protect you from behind." What a glorious promise! If we look after those who can't look after themselves, then God will look after us in every way possible. Our wounds will quickly heal, the light of our godliness will lead us forward, and the glory of the Lord will protect us. In every way we too are underdogs who God protects and provides for. May we see the world through God's eyes and see the many opportunities that God presents to us so that we can be a blessing to others.

Friday, September 21 - Isaiah 40: 31

If you wait for me, I will renew your strength.

When we think of waiting, we might tend to think of it as being a time of inactivity or passivity. After all, while we are waiting, we aren't actually doing anything - or are we? When we wait for somebody or something, we are actually in a posture of submission. For example, if you are waiting in a car for a friend, you have positioned yourself to be vulnerable to however long the friend takes to get into the car. When you are waiting in a doctor's office, you have given the doctor's staff the power to choose who is next to be called. For some, waiting can be very difficult at times. The longer we wait the more we might begin to scream on the inside for something to happen. Waiting *isn't* passive or inactive; it's one of the most active things we can do. Today we read that if we wait on the Lord, he will renew our strength. When we choose to humble ourselves to God and acknowledge that it is God's will and direction that we are looking for, we are positioning ourselves to wait for God to give us guidance. When we wait on God, we are honoring God and choosing not to "lean to our own understanding" as mentioned in Proverbs 3:5-6. Waiting on the Lord is one of the most active things we can do. It can be difficult at times because we are not in control of when and where God will move. We simply wait for God to do what God wants to do, but when we wait for God, God will be faithful to renew our strength.

Saturday, September 22 - Psalm 4:8

I will give you a peaceful sleep surrounded by safety.

There are many things in this world that cause us to be afraid and not feel at peace. As a result, many people struggle with sleep at night because of the numerous anxious thoughts in their minds. Jesus was able to sleep on boats in the midst of storms. He is the Prince of Peace and has promised to give his peace to us (see John 14:27). His encouragement is to not be afraid. He will make us to lie down in peace and have a restful sleep surrounded by his abiding sense of safety. For all those who struggle with getting a good night's sleep, let us pray that this promise would become a tangible reality today. May you go to sleep not dreading a night of tossing and turning. May the tangible presence of the Prince of Peace surround you and envelop you with Christ's love so that you can feel truly safe and have the best sleep of your life.

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	Dennis Smoody	Brian Luttamus	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	Dennis Smoody	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> Council Mtg.	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