



Capitol Drive
Lutheran Church
Sounding the Love of Christ

WEEKLY NEWS

September 23, 2018
5229 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53216
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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 16, 2018

SUNDAY Attendance: 23

**OFFERING: \$1,092.00 (Sunday collection)
\$710.00 (Automatic deposits)**

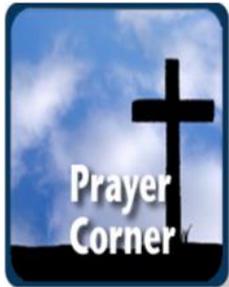
Total: \$1,802.00

WHY ARE YOU HERE?

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

Prayer for the Week

You watch over us, O God, and show us the way to prosper in life, not so much in things as in relationships that contribute to our wholeness and well-being. Thank you for meeting us here and helping us to deal with our selfish ambition, disorder, and conflicts. We submit ourselves to you for instruction. Help us to be honest with ourselves and with you, voicing our doubts as well as our faith, our hypocrisy along with all that is deeply genuine. Create in us a space for quiet listening and thoughtful meditation.

Gracious God, revealed to us as we welcome children in the name of Jesus, grant us childlike openness and honesty to explore your word. Teach us as Jesus taught the disciples that we may not so much aspire to greatness as to faithfulness, counting service in Christ's name a joyous privilege. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 23 9:30AM Worship
17th Sunday after Pentecost 10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor Diane Olson, Guest Preacher

Monday, September 24

Tuesday, September 25 9:30AM Gathering Place

Wednesday, September 26 9:30AM Gathering Place
10:15AM YMCA Exercise
11:00AM SPGP Worship
12:00PM SPGP Meal

Thursday, September 27 7:00AM Men's Breakfast
9:00AM Quilters

Friday, September 28

Saturday, September 29 *St. Michael and All Angels*

Sunday, September 30 9:30AM Worship
18th Sunday after Pentecost 10:45AM Fellowship
Pastor John Eyster, Guest Preacher

Monday, September 24 - Psalm 51:17

I will not reject the sacrifice of a broken spirit and a contrite heart.

Be thankful that the sacrifices that God accepts are those of a broken and contrite heart. Psalm 34:18 says "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." When we are feeling the farthest away from God, God is actually closest to us. God does not abandon us in our times of crises for God has promised to save us even in our darkest time. King David wrote Psalm 51 after it became public knowledge that he had sinned with Bathsheba. His illegitimate affair caused a world of hurt and pain for many people. It was at David's lowest point that he had a revelation of God's love and mercy. Perhaps David expected God to reject him for his sin. Perhaps he was surprised to feel God's nearness in the midst of his darkness. Whatever he felt, he knew that the Lord saw his broken heart, and God knew that David was truly sorry for his sin. For many of us, when we sin against God, we run in the opposite direction of God, assuming that God will turn away from us. The opposite is true. When we are at our lowest point, God is very close to us and God promises to save those who are crushed in spirit.

Tuesday, September 25 - 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

I will always be close when you need my comfort.

We all need comfort. As children, when we scraped our knee playing in the backyard, we needed the comfort of a mother or father to simply hold us and reassure us that everything was going to be okay. When we experience extreme disappointment or the loss of a loved one, words fail. What we need is comfort. In today's passage, Paul tells us that God is the Father of mercies (compassion) and the God of ALL comfort. Our God wants us to be comfortable coming to God to receive comfort whenever we need it. Since we were created to receive comfort, we will seek it out somewhere. If we don't receive it from God, we will receive it from other things: food, material things, false comforts, etc. God wants each and every one of us to run into God's arms every time we need to be comforted. As we receive this comfort, we will then be able to be an expression of that same comfort to other people when they need a comforting shoulder to cry on.

Wednesday, September 26 - Psalm 23:4

*When you walk through the valley of death,
I will be with you.*

You might associate this verse with a funeral or other time of extreme loss. At the end of life it is comforting to know that God will never leave us. Consider another application of this promise: Jesus told us that, unless a seed falls to the ground and dies, it abides alone (John 12:24). The principle of the Christian life is a continual letting go of things, allowing them to "die," only to see them resurrected again by the power of the Holy Spirit. Whether those things are dreams or desires, the principle of the cross (death, burial, resurrection) is a resounding theme in daily Christian life. In that context, when you are feeling like God is asking you to surrender something dear to you, when you are in a sense walking through the shadow of death for something that you have hoped for, be comforted in knowing that God is very close to you; God's rod and staff will bring you comfort. Weeping may endure for the night, but joy is coming in the morning.

Thursday, September 27 - Jude 1:24

I will keep you from falling until you joyfully stand blameless in my presence.

One day, each one of us who has called on the name of the Lord will stand before God's presence. Today's verse encourages us that we have nothing to fear on that glorious day. Jesus Christ, our Savior, Lord, and Brother, will present us before God completely faultless and blameless. Jesus "will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault." How exciting that Jesus will present us to God with exceeding joy, with triumph and exultation. It will absolutely thrill the heart of Jesus to present us blameless before his Father on the day that we will see God face to face. We have nothing to fear about our future.

Friday, September 28 - Romans 16:20

I will soon crush the evil one under your feet.

In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus taught us to ask God to deliver us from evil. Jesus wouldn't have told us to pray this way unless he was certain that God would answer this prayer. We know that in this world we will have trouble in life because it is a fallen world. Hurting people often hurt other people and the cause and effect of a fallen humanity causes many evil things to happen. However, that does not mean that we in subjection to the dark prince. James 4:7 tells us to resist the devil and he will flee from you. In Romans 8:37, Paul says that we are more than conquerors through God who loves us. As Paul continues to write in Romans, he says (in today's verse) that the God of peace will soon crush the evil one beneath our feet. No matter what circumstances you are facing today, be encouraged that our God will soon give us an eternal victory and crush the evil one beneath our feet.

Saturday, September 29 - 1 Peter 1:3-4

You have an everlasting inheritance reserved in heaven.

There are many uncertain things in this world but our everlasting inheritance is not one of them. Our God has secured an inheritance for everyone who has received the free gift of his Son's life that is incorruptible, undefiled, and will never fade away. No matter how unstable things become around you, you can bank on this promise to be unshakeable. Because of the abundant mercy of the Triune God, we can hope in a special place in heaven that is reserved just for us. It is more certain than the ground on which stand. Today, thank God for the abundant mercy expressed through the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. When times get tough and the near future looks bleak, may we lift up our eyes to see the amazing future that is in store for us. May we be filled with hope knowing that our God is truly a faithful God.

"What a caterpillar calls the end of the world, the Master calls the butterfly." (Richard Bach)

"Grace comes as we loosen, at last, our white-knuckled grip on what ought to be - but even grace is not always gentle or chosen. Sometimes it arrives disguised as burden - as a loss or hurt or unwanted upheaval." (Katrina Keniso)

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	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	Carol Hess	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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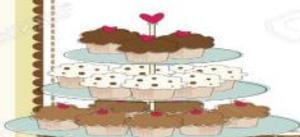
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September Birthdays at CDLC

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