

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!

We are held captive by many things in this earthly life, but three main enemies emerge: sin, death, and Satan. By His death and resurrection, Jesus sets us free from our enemies; free to tell of His mercy and compassion.

NOTE TO OUR GUESTS: Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you're not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

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.

<u>Hymns:</u> 605, 763, 662, 739, 725
<u>Liturgy:</u> Special Service Folder
<u>The First Lesson:</u> Isaiah 65:1-9page 623
<u>The Epistle Lesson:</u> Galatians 3:23-4:7 page 974
<u>The Holy Gospel:</u> Luke 8:26-39.....page 865
<u>Pianist:</u> David Best
<u>Sermon:</u> Rev. Karl F. Eckhoff "It's Not Supposed to be This Way" Isaiah 65:1-9

CHECK OUT THE CHRIST LUTHERAN FACEBOOK PAGE AND "LIKE" US TO STAY INVOLVED AND INFORMED.

ELDERS PRAYING WITH PASTOR: - Josh Eckhoff

ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Josh Eckhoff, Ralph Teske

GREETING YOU THIS MORNING are Beth Bennett and Bonnie Caughey.

ACOLYTES: Vincent and Anthony Silotto
NEXT SUNDAY: Serayna and Imari Kline

USHERS FOR JUNE: Team #1 (Aaron-Miriam and Team #3 (Zechariah-Elizabeth).

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$7,074.00; MTD: \$30,999.93. Improvement Fund: \$35.00; MTD: \$260.00. Attendance: 149. Sunday School Attendance: 8th-HS 0, Adults 48, Visitors 2. Total 50.

THIS IS THE 25th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

HOSPITALIZED: Methodist: Carolyn Koch
CONTINUED PRAYERS: Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Barb Dreher, Shawn Foote, Abigail Young, Eddy Jones, Rachael Otten, Pat Kretzmann, Diane Hume, Christel VandeVoorde, Claire Schinkel, Joel Ommen, Raetta Von Behren, Riley Stanley, Donna Hawbecker, Christine Dill, grandmother of Bekah Best; for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. **THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU** that if you wish to have your prayer request added to the Christ Lutheran Prayer Chain, please contact either the church office (637-5309 or laura@berkshier.net) or our Lay Minister, Reg Lee (678-4764 or fbrd2002@comcast.net).

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY are given by Mary Jass to the glory of God and in memory of Alan Jass.

THERE ARE CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES in the Annex that weren't picked up at the beginning of the year. If you should have envelopes and don't have them, please check and see if they are there. If you need envelopes, you can request some from the church office.

TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for the gathering at the Lindenhof on Aug. 24. This is a 125th anniversary event to be held prior to the Dec. 8 celebration. The evening will start at 5:30 p.m. with some snack food followed by an authentic German meal at 6:30 (some American food will also be served). The menu includes the following: fried chicken, beef rouladen, spaetzle, red roasted potatoes, red cabbage, corn, sauerkraut, salad, dressings, rolls, coffee, and iced tea. A cash bar will be available. An accordion player will be in attendance for our entertainment. Tickets must be purchased in advance: \$17 for adults and \$9 for ages 12 down to 6 (5 and under are free). Food is served buffet style. Tickets will continue to be sold every Sunday until the end of July. Tickets may be purchased from the anniversary committee: Rae Ann Laylock, Suzanne Heinz, Mike Lemm, Vickie Whitehead, and Larry Von Behren. We are required to have at least 70 reservations.

CONSTRUCTION HAS STARTED on the remodel of our Parish Hall restrooms. The work is estimated to take another 5-7 weeks for completion. Meanwhile, the restrooms in the Annex will be available. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we accomplish our final project to update our church building in celebration of our 125th Anniversary.

SUMMER CELEBRATION! – This month on the 30th, we will have an outside summer celebration brunch (weather permitting!) with food and fun provided! We'll recognize our new members and confirmands, have some fun, music and fellowship. If it rains, we'll move the fun inside. *Please indicate on your attendance card if you can attend to help us plan for food!*

WE RECENTLY HAD A LIFETOUCH photography event. If you elected to have your complimentary 8x10 photo sent back to the church for pick up, you can pick it up in the church office.

DIRECTORY CHANGES – *Clyde and Judy Lockenour*, 105 E. Second St., Mackinaw, IL 61755; *Joshua Eckhoff*, 431 W. David St., Apt. B, Morton, IL 61550

DID YOU KNOW? –On June 22, 1969, Rev. Jay Frazell and Rev. Paul Edwin Rowley were ordained in our church. These two sons of our congregation both attended our grade school, Concordia High School and College and Concordia Seminary in St. Louis together. Ironically, Pastor Frazell passed away on April 25, 2019 and Pastor Ed, as he was called, passed away on May 16, 2019. Both of their churches had planned to recognize them this summer for their 50 years in the ministry. Although family, friends and parishioners mourn the loss of these two men, we can rejoice that they are now with their Lord in heaven. Well done thou good and faithful servants.

DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION from our past that you would like to share? The anniversary committee is looking for your stories and memories. They can be from anytime in our past, recent or long ago. Please write them down and give to Rae Ann or email them to layloraeann@yahoo.com. Then watch the bulletin each week for your entry.

WERE YOU MARRIED IN OUR CHURCH? If so, we would like a wedding picture and a current picture to display in our turnstile in the Annex. You can give them to any Anniversary committee member or leave them in the office.

THE LUNCH BUNCH (FORMERLY THE SENIOR CLUB) is meeting this Friday, the 28th, at 12:30 PM in the Community Room. Donna Gogele is providing pork roast and mashed potatoes and gravy. Please bring your table service and a side dish to share. All are welcome!!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER – God blesses us with different gifts that we can use in our service to others. In 1 Peter 4:10, we read, “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” God works through us in serving others. Paul wrote the following to the believers in Ephesus: “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them” (Ephesians 2:10). The instruction is clear that, as sinners saved by grace alone, we are to render service and not sit in idleness. May God help us all experience the joy that comes from serving others.

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for The Third Sunday after Pentecost:

The First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:9b-21
The Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1, 13-25
The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (JUNE 24 – JUNE 30)

MON 6/24:
TUE 6/25:
WED 6/26:
THU 6/27: Quilting NOON
FRI 6/28: Lunch Bunch..... 12:30 PM
SAT 6/29:
SUN 6/30: Holy Communion 9:00 AM
5th Sunday Fellowship Picnic Brunch..... 10:30 AM
CLYF Zip Line trip..... 11:00 AM

2019 ELDERS’ RESPONSIBILITY LIST

Albert-Rayford – Cleveland Ralph Teske
Closen – Fredericks Tommie Washington
Frederking – Kirkwood Kirk Wessler
Kisler – Mills Terry Mooney, Jr.
Minassian – Roth Mike Fritch
Rudebeck – Tosch Joshua Eckhoff
Traenkenschuh – Zentko Gary Heinz