

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!

“At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord” (Ephesians 5:8). This nugget from today’s Epistle gets to the heart of the Gospel: Jesus Christ has rescued you from the darkness of sin and made you a child of the light!

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> 816; 696 v. 1, 2, 4; 727; 629; 588; 919 v. 1, 3, 6
<u>Liturgy:</u> Corporate Confession and Absolution..... p. 290
<u>The First Lesson:</u> Psalm 34page 463
<u>The Epistle Lesson:</u> Ephesians 5:6-21page 978
<u>The Holy Gospel:</u> John 6:51-69page 893
<u>Organist:</u> Mrs. Judy Eckhoff
<u>Sermon:</u> Rev. Karl Eckhoff
<i>A Memory that Lives On to be Told.....Psalm 34</i>

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

ELDERS PRAYING WITH PASTOR: - Tommie Washington

ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Mike Fritch, Tommie Washington, Dario Lamberti

GREETING YOU THIS MORNING before the service today are Rev. Louis and Hilda Knief.

ACOLYTES: Emma Stenger and Elizabeth Stenger

NEXT SUNDAY: Joe Lamberti and Dylan Sparks

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

LAST WEEK: Tithes and Offerings: \$7,013.00; MTD: \$18,434.00; Improvement Fund: \$110.00; MTD: \$450.00. Attendance: 152. Sunday School Attendance: N-2nd 3, 3rd-7th 3, 8th-HS 4, Adults 45, Visitors 1, Total 56.

THIS IS THE 33rd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 45th wedding anniversary of Jim and Susan Gulley, and by the family of RaeAnn Laylock, in honor of her 60th birthday on August 23rd.

HOSPITALIZED: OSF – Charlie Best

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Barb Dreher, Shawn Foote, Phyllis Wendland, Gerald Wendland, Patty Smith, Don Sparks, Bill Wieland, Jr., Charlie Best, Abigail Young, Eddy Jones, Al Garman, Donna Gogele, Rachael Otten, Sandra McGarity, Pat Kretzmann, Charlie Best, family of Nancy Dawson, who passed away last Sunday, the 91st birthday of Naomi Schaefer on August 10th, the 97th birthday of Irene Hoeltje on August 13th, the 92nd birthday of Betty Roger on August 13th, the 60th birthday of RaeAnn Laylock on August 23rd, the 45th wedding anniversary of Jim and Susan Gulley on August 18th, 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).

LUTHERAN WOMEN OF GREATER PEORIA are sponsoring the annual Lutheran Hillside Village Picnic/Ice Cream Social/Bake Sale TODAY from 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM. It will be held in the Community Center at Lutheran Hillside Village, 6901 N. Galena Rd., Peoria. Come enjoy good food and fellowship!

MEALTIME MINGLE - Interested in getting to know those "new" members sitting next you Sunday Morning? The Parish Ministry and Outreach Board is encouraging everyone to sign up to fellowship with some of those new faces three times during the remainder of 2018. Form a group or sign up and get matched with others. Each group will decide when and where they meet. Sign-up sheets are located in the annex.

ENJOY A GOURMET BRUNCH AND HELP OTHERS! - Lutheran Hillside Village is hosting its 6th annual Benevolent Care Brunch Extraordinaire on Sat., Sept. 22 from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Guests will be treated to your choice of delicious gourmet entrées prepared by our executive chef, Mark Shoopman, and his talented team. The cost is \$50 per person (\$25 is tax deductible.) Proceeds will benefit the Lutheran Hillside Village Benevolent Fund to support care center (nursing) residents who outlive their resources. Reservation forms will be available in August. Please call Lutheran Hillside Village Foundation; Phil King (309.683.1298) or Laurie Hahn (309.683.1263) for a form. Please consider inviting your family and friends. This is the foundation’s biggest fundraiser of the year. We need your help to make it a success! *If you are interested in scheduling a tour of the village on the day of the event, please call Stephanie Marchand (309.692.4600) by Sept. 14.* Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran Hillside Village.

CELEBRATING OUR PAST AND PRESERVING OUR FUTURE! Are you interested in helping to purchase an appliance for our new Parish Hall kitchen? There is a display board in the Parish Hall showing all the appliances needed to fill our soon to be remodeled kitchen. Each item has a variety of stickers attached to it adding up to the cost of that item. If you can help in any way or wish to contribute the full amount for a particular appliance, simply pull the appropriate tab and place it in one of the 125th Anniversary envelopes with your gift. Thank you for your continued support of our ongoing projects to update our buildings in celebration of our upcoming 125th anniversary. Also, remember our fund will be matched by \$500 each month it increases by \$500.

LIFELIGHT will be returning soon. Please consider joining a small group as we study the first 7 Chapters of Paul's Letter to the Romans.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE consisting of all current vice-chairs of all boards, will meet August 30th at 6:30. Please come with a prepared list of potential vice-chair candidates for 2019. If you're unable to attend the meeting, please have a representative come out in your place. Thank you for all your help ahead of time - *Larry Von Behren, congregation vice-chairman.*

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE is looking for a couple of representatives from each congregation to meet and receive life resources and information to bring back to the parish. If you are willing to serve in this role, please see Pastor.

SINGERS!!! High School age to 100+! We need you to join our Adult Choir. We meet on Wednesdays in the Church Sanctuary to rehearse and will be singing in worship services once or twice each month September through May. Our first rehearsal this season will be Wednesday, September 12. Please enter through the Vestry doors. We're looking forward to a wonderful season of serving the Lord through music. If you have any questions, please call Lin Von Behren at 309-360-0058.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS! – 3rd quarter Sunday School offerings are going to support Camp Cilca. We thank Emma Whitehead, along with assistants, Jen Whitehead and Sandy Frederking, for leading summer Sunday School. Regular classes begin September 2nd. **We are in need of Sunday School Teachers. Please consider helping with this important task.**

This Sunday, the students will meet in the church, then go to their classes with their teacher. **PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR JULY** – Adults: Ruth Allen, Dale Eckhoff, Suzanne Heinz, RaeAnn Laylock, Darlene Marvel, Bill and Judy Nelson, Tom and Connie Trunk, Tom and Emily Zaia, Laura Baize, Jeff and Christine Grebe, Louis Heuermann, Nancy Knoll, Barbara O'Dell, Tommie and Mary Washington, and Linda Wenzel. Pre-K: Feli Foote. 5th-7th grade: Harlon Foote. Sunday School helpers: Sam Grebe and Sue Lee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are available for you to pick up today in the church annex.

SENIOR CLUB will meet Friday the 24th at 12:30 PM in the Community Room. Booma Jass is hosting, and she is providing haddock as the main dish. Please bring your table service and dish to share!

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

The First Lesson: Isaiah 29:11-19
The Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:22-33
The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (AUG 20 – AUG 26)

MON 8/20:
TUE 8/21:
WED 8/22:
THU 8/23: Quilting..... NOON
FRI 8/24: Senior Club..... 12:30 PM
SAT 8/25:
SUN 8/26: Holy Communion 9:00 AM
Sunday School and Bible Classes..... 10:30 AM

2018 ELDERS' RESPONSIBILITY LIST	
Albert-Rayford – Cleveland	Ralph Teske
Closen – Fredericks	Tommie Washington
Frederking – Kirkwood	Dario Lamberti
Kisler – Mills	Tom Zaia
Minassian – Roth	Mike Fritch
Rudebeck – Tosch	Mike Lem
Traenkenschuh – Zentko	Gary Heinz