

Christ Connection

For the Week Beginning April 29, 2018



The Community Garden at CLC

The Community Garden is coming back to Christ Lutheran Church this summer, and it's growing; quite literally! Thanks to funding from Thrivent Financial, we have been given the resources to make the garden larger, expanding from the small raised beds to larger permanent garden beds in our sunniest spot; between the CLC sign and the building up on the hill. Think of the possibilities!

So how can I get involved?

- Come on planting day, May 12th (the Saturday before Mother's Day) beginning at 10:00 a.m. We will be unveiling the rain barrel and Community Garden sign that our children have painted.
- Get on a weeding and watering rotation—watching the garden grow.
- Join in the joy of harvesting. This year as you help with the harvest, you are invited to consider and choose where the produce will go and deliver it. Maybe a neighbor has a need, the People's Resource Center or HCS Family Services Food Pantry. A list will be provided.

But did you know Christ Lutheran Church not only has a garden, it IS a garden! YOU are God's garden! Worship this Sunday and learn how God the Gardener is tending THIS garden lovingly and caringly—to bear much good fruit!

Sunday Worship

8:30AM Contemporary
10:15AM Traditional

Sunday Faith Formation

Bible Study

The 7:30 a.m. Bible Study that usually takes place on Sunday morning will resume next week.

Christ Lutheran Staff

Rev. Dale Ziemer, Pastor
Jon Ball, Dir. Contemporary Worship
Karen Wilberg, Dir. Traditional Music
Richard Kochel: Organist
Kathy Bartosz, Dir. Youth & Family
Nancy Woodruff, Dir. of Communications
Rev. Craig Felde, Local Missionary
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Weather was perfect for working outside last Saturday. Thank you to Bob Brija, Ed Johnson, Jane McDonald, Jim Nordloh, Jim Rice, Ralph Trombello and Jim Woodruff who came out for our Spring Clean Up Day! In addition, we'd like to

extend a sincere thank you to the 15 Scouts and 5 Parents from Troop 51 who worked very hard around our church.

Here's what we accomplished:

Cleaned all (below ground) window wells around the church building;
Picked up sticks and winter debris around the church and parsonage grounds;
Raked up the leaves near the south door;
Cleaned up/organized the inside of the church garage.

In Our Prayers this Week

Health Concerns

- For Annette Armstrong
- For Kay Hedborn
- For Anita Olson
- For Howard Beauchamp
- For Eddie Rajczyk friend of Jeannette Tama-yo who suffered a massive heart attack.
- For Parker Van Gelder, 19 month old grandson of Bonnie Bucholz' neighbor undergoing chemo and radiation for a brain tumor.
- Sue Silhan, friend and neighbor of Bonnie Bucholz with many health concerns.
- For Patti, friend of Nancy Mizura, adjusting to a diagnosis of dementia.
- For Andrew, son of Jo Chiko's friend, diagnosed with ocular cancer and being treated.
- For Ruth, friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke diagnosed with breast cancer
- For Kayla, Andrea Palm's sister recently diagnosed with breast cancer, beginning treatment.
- For Jennie, friend of Suzy Vandenbroucke, diagnosed with breast cancer.
- For healing for Charlotte Grace, Debra Joslin's friend's granddaughter.
- For Barb, friend of Nancy Mizura healing from esophageal cancer treatments.
- For Tim Myrick, Dolores Kroeger's nephew diagnosed with Pleuomorphic Adenoma
- For Jeff Homme, Kristina Dickens' uncle
- For Colton Kash, child of a friend of Dan Cramer, diagnosed with Leukemia.
- For Pastor Melissa Kuemmerle of St. Peter & Paul Lutheran, Blue Island.
- For Jackie, Nancy Woodruff's mother, seeking a doctor willing to treat her illness, in her frail condition.

Sustained Support and Encouragement

- For Ed Llewellyn and his family, friends of Debra Joslin and Hal Hancock, as they move from Texas to Chicago.
- For our Call Committee; Dan Cramer, Steven Dickens, Debra Joslin, Bonnie Bucholz, Jim Clark, Diane Emry, Lea Hotton, Matt Ramirez and Maggie Swiss.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Dale Ziemer
Sound Support: 8:30: Open 10:15: Glen Orton
Projection Lori Ball and Rachel Krohn
Communion Assistants: Steven Dickens and Dan Cramer
Assisting Minister: Steven Dickens
Communion Bread: Marrietta Sorensen
Bakers: Tricia and Bryce Giron, Bernice Yeater

Bible Verse of the Month

Jesus came and stood among his disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

John 20:19b-20

TOP SERVING OPPORTUNITIES at Christ Lutheran Church

- Help with moving all of the unsold rummage sale items to the main floor of the church on Monday morning for pick-up by the Epilepsy Foundation. We will know on Monday morning what time the pick-up will be.
- Help plant the Community Garden on May 12th at 10:00 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday, April 29

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
 Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
 Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
 Pub Church 12:30PM—Tracy's Tavern
 Bowling 5:00PM—Suburbanite

Monday, April 30

Food For Thought 7:00PM—Satchwell Home
 Worship Team 7:00PM—Library
 Troop 51 Committee Meeting 7:00PM—Library

Tuesday, May 1

Handbell Practice 7:15PM—Sanctuary Loft

Wednesday, May 2

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary
 Choir Practice 7:30PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, May 3

Scout Troop Meeting 7:00PM—Fellowship Hall
AA 8:00PM- Fireside Room

Friday, May 4

Knitting Ministry 10:00AM—Study Lounge
 JULIETS 12:00PM—Blueberry Hill

Saturday, May 5

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library

Sunday, May 6

Bible Study 7:30AM—Library
Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM—Sanctuary
 Sunday School 9:00AM—Growing Grove
 Middle School Ministries 9:30AM—Youth Room
 Celebration for Kathy Bartosz 9:45AM—Fellowship
Traditional Worship 10:15AM—Sanctuary
AMI Violin Competition 11:30AM—Sanctuary

Monday, May 7

Call Committee 7:00PM—Fellowship Hall
Troop 51 Committee Meeting 7:00PM—Library

Wednesday, May 9

Worship Band Practice 6:00PM—Sanctuary
 Choir Practice 7:30PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, May 10

Bible Study 7:00PM—Bucholz Home
AA 8:00PM- Fireside Room

Friday, May 11

Quilting Ministry 10:00AM—Growing Grove

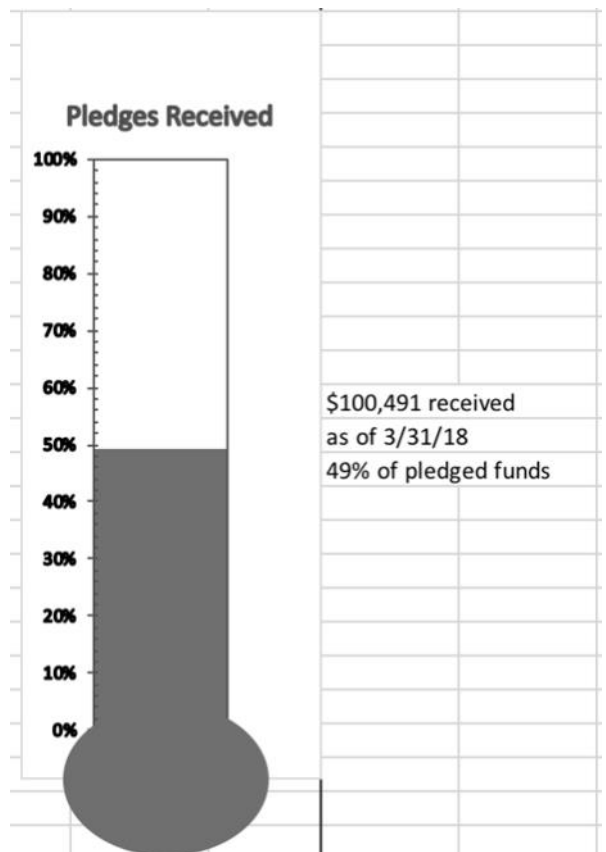
Saturday, May 12

Bible Study 9:30AM—Library
 Community Garden Planting 10:00AM—Garden
Eagle Scout Ceremony 1:00PM—Sanctuary
Patriot Leader Council 4:00PM—Fellowship Hall



A quick update for the Capital Campaign with figures as of March 31, 2018. The money raised during the campaign was in the form of one time donations or pledges to contribute during the next 5 years. The amount received from one time donations is \$67,737 (this includes the \$50,000 endowment gift). The pledged amount is \$203,881.

Total amount raised by the campaign is \$271,618. With regards to the pledged amount, 49% of the pledges have been received. We praise God for your continued support of the campaign. We have additional news of financial support from the Celebration Preschool families. They have contributed \$2,360 toward our capital campaign! This is not reflected in the figures reported above, but will be included in the update for the next quarter. We thank God for their generosity towards CLC.





MEET YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

Over the next few weeks we will be running bio's on our elected Church Council members. Get to know them!

Katherine Burson

My husband, Bill Bernard, and I became members of CLC in 1986. We have 2 adult children, both of whom were baptized and confirmed here. Through the years I have enjoyed teaching, facilitating, and participating in Christian education for adults, children, and junior high aged-youth. In June of 2016 I completed the ELCA 2-year Diakonia Program. This 12-course program is designed to equip laypersons for ministry. Since I completed that program, I have been prayerfully waiting to hear where I might be called to serve and in what capacity. I ran for church council because I felt called by the Holy Spirit to do so. I am currently self-employed as a consultant especially around disability civil rights and inclusion issues. Prior to this, I spent over 20 years as an executive leader in Illinois' publicly funded mental health system. Professionally, I am known for facilitating collaborative productive partnerships among diverse stakeholders by listening, recognizing diverse perspectives and strengths, and identifying commonalities and connections that morph into a shared vision - and for imagining possibilities. Dan Cramer wrote words in his bio that really resonated with me, so I will repeat them verbatim. "I see CLC becoming a place of impact, openness, and an example of Jesus' love for all."

James Woodruff

I'm Jim Woodruff. I grew up on a farm in Lime Ridge, Wisconsin, attending the local Lutheran church, and when I married Nancy in 2008, I began worshipping at Christ Lutheran.

I joined the council in 2014 and have worked in Building and Grounds. Two of my most important goals were to replace the roof and repave the parking lot, both accomplished in 2017 with the support of the council and YOU. Thank you.

I will continue to advocate for improvements in our church building and grounds to ensure that we will have a safe, comfortable home for us and our community to worship in.

Thank you!

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the dona-

tion of the homemade bags with personal care items in each bag. Family Shelter Service is on the front lines of ensuring that women and children in our community have a safe refuge. Your generosity will have a powerful impact on our clients who come to us for shelter and advocates to help them navigate their next steps. We are honored that you chose to stand with us.

Family Shelter Services

Thank you to the Knitting Ministry for taking on this important project.

Jean Schwier

I am Jean Schwier, Treasurer for CLC, married to Bob Schwier for 45 years this July, Bob is a retired bricklayer, a licensed building inspector, and he holds a degree in Architecture Technology. We have one daughter Kristina Dickens who is married to Steven Dickens and they just adopted a beautiful baby girl Aliyah! I have a step-son and daughter in law with three beautiful children who reside in Peoria, IL.

We were members of CLC when Kristina was growing up. She was baptized, confirmed, and married at CLC. We moved to AZ but came back to IL and re-joined CLC in 2015.

I agreed to serve on Council to be a part of a great team effort in moving our Church forward during these changing times. Keeping an open mind and open heart.

I'm a retired Director of Operations with a strong accounting background. I have rehabbed multiple houses with my husband. I've owned my own businesses, Income Tax, Sales (team leader-top recruiter), Sr. Pharmacy Tech, and helped people develop budgets they can live with, always loving each and every learning experience!

My hope for our church is that we continue our Mission to reach out to all walks of life and to leave Christ's footprint wherever our Mission leads us.