

CLC

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SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

In the Neighborhood for GOOD

**COME
INVITE
WELCOME
SERVE**

Rally Day
September 9th

What is Rally Day? Is it just for kids? **Rally Day is for everyone in the church.**

Summer activities, vacations and events draw us away from each other, especially on weekends. We begin summer with all good intent to worship regularly and attend Bible class. Hectic schedules quickly derail us from our good intentions. **Come the end of summer, we need "a renewal of energy" in our spiritual matters.** It's hard to renew your energy on your own, but it's much easier in a group!

That's why we set aside one special day at the end of the summer to "rally" - seeking the Holy Spirit's power to "renew our spirits" for worship, for digging into God's Word, for praying, for serving, and for witnessing. **On Sunday September 9th at 8:30AM we will renew ourselves in fellowship and worship. We'll also enjoy an Ice Cream Breakfast and tour the newly renovated Sunday School Rooms, Nursery and Infant Room (formerly the "Cry Room"). Come, Invite Someone, and Welcome and Serve each other.**



Get Your
Pirate
Parrot
Coloring
Book on
Rally Day!

**The Pittsburgh
Pirate Parrot will
be at Rally Day at
9:00AM—come
and meet him!**

Pirate Parrot Stats
Height (feet): Larger than life
Weight (lbs): Won't sit still on a scale.
Waist (inches): We can't tell you that!
Eyes: Cross-eyed from watching too much TV.
Feathers: Lime green shag fur.
Birthplace: Hatched at Three Rivers Stadium in 1979.



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From Our Pastor's Desk ...



A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, A PAT ON THE BACK, WAY TO GO

Within the pages of the newsletter, in special mailings you've received, in news releases Rheba has sent to the media, it all tells the story of transformation at CLC.

And you, the members of CLC, deserve A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, A PAT ON THE BACK, WAY TO GO!

The overwhelming majority of members have been gracious, willing to listen and think things through, and so many have pitched in to begin to move things forward.

I remind myself and all of us of three factors that occur when any congregation of any denomination undertakes a process of transformation:

The one thing that is guaranteed is that there will be resistance. It's human nature to resist change. Overall, though, there is an excitement about what is happening at CLC. Summer attendance figures are outstanding!

If there is unanimous support, you know it's a bad idea. No new idea or project fully solves the present challenge and always creates a new set of issues to be resolved. So, naysayers are an expected and necessary part of any transformation. In some way, naysayers actually affirm the changes being made. If they do it in a relational way, they often help create a better solution.

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Any congregation undergoing transformation will have people leave. Often, it is surprising who leaves the congregation, but it always happens. Obviously, we would rather it didn't happen but, again, it is to be expected.

As a congregation moves further along the path of making changes, the resistance sometimes increases. So, for all of you who are supporting the transformation: God bless you for hanging in there and being open to allowing the fresh breeze of the Spirit to blow through CLC! A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, A PAT ON THE BACK, WAY TO GO!

By the way, when Dave Platt and I were cleaning out the room we are renovating for our Nursery, we came across a box of shirts from the 2000 anniversary celebration. On both the polo shirt and the T-shirt was the logo CLC. No mention of Christ Lutheran Church, just CLC. So, Pastor George was way out ahead of me on the branding of the congregation as CLC! I guess there's really nothing new under the sun....

Pastor Scott

Transitional Interim Pastor

Rally Day

Sunday, September 9 at 8:30AM

❑ Ice Cream Breakfast

❑ Tour of the newly renovated Sunday
School Rooms, Nursery and Infant Room (formerly "Cry Room")

❑ Pirate Parrot at 9:00AM



DO YOU HAVE A CHILD INTERESTED IN RECEIVING COMMUNION?

Our last group of kids had a blast making their own loaf of bread. Each family then communed together using their child's loaf of bread. It was a special experience for all involved.

Pam Farbacher, the fantastic baker at Tupelo Honey Teas and Mancini's, helped our first four Communicants with their bread projects.

We'd like to make this a tradition at CLC, so contact Rheba at the church office: 412-821-4300 or christlutheran917@gmail.com to let us know of your child's interest.



Thanks to Beth Rios and Debbie Johnson, who washed our Church's outside windows and doors. **Pastor Blair Morgan and Evan Visconti** cleaned up around the outside of building and power washed the parking lot and sidewalks, also cleaning excess mud and debris from North Avenue. **Amy Schaufl, Greg Herbster and Glen Davis** will be working on carpet removal. **Thanks to Dave Platt** for organizing the care of our building and grounds.

Communion to Shut-Ins

Julie Slepecki, Bernadette Thompson and Ann Schaufl have faithfully been visiting our shut-ins and report that they are receiving Communion. ***Thank you for your commitment to this ministry!***



ALWAYS LUTHERAN WHERE IT MATTERS MOST

I've been a Lutheran for sixty-eight years now. Next June, I will be ordained forty years. A Lutheran identity is primary for me.

CLC is a liturgical congregation. This is Lutheran. In fact, even our Modern Heart and Soul Worship follows a Lutheran liturgical form. We could call this "Modern Lutheran!"

We celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion at each and every worship service. Quite Lutheran.

Whenever we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, I make it a point to personally connect the child being baptized with the Lutheran understanding of Baptism. Soundly Lutheran.

I am willing to bet few preachers as regularly quote Luther and Lutheran teaching as I do. Or, frequently compare and contrast our theological stance with that of the Romans, other Protestants, and non-denominational churches. Deeply Lutheran.

We teach Luther's Catechism in our confirmation classes. Our 10:30 Sunday morning Adult Class studies Luther's Small Catechism. More than many, we sing almost all our hymns from Lutheran worship materials.

So, we remain profoundly Lutheran where it matters most: in our liturgies, in our sacramental identity and practice, and in our preaching and teaching.

But, some people connect "human traditions" with being Lutheran.

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Human traditions are central to the Roman Catholic approach to the faith, not to the Lutheran approach. Tradition relates to "how we've done things in the past" or "how Pastor George did things" or "what we're used to doing." Often traditions just have to do with our comfort zone.

Lutherans confronted the issue of human traditions at the time of the Reformation. And, in regard to "human traditions," the Lutheran reformers used the Greek word "**adiaphora**," meaning "*indifferent things*." Adiaphora denotes things neither commanded nor forbidden in Scripture.

The time of the worship service, what kind of bread we use in Holy Communion, whether we use a pipe organ or contemporary instruments at worship, what ministries and programs we offer, and a long list of "human traditions" are considered to be "**indifferent things**." Which, as you see, is a Lutheran approach.

In the transformation we are undergoing, we are working to make the congregation attractive and inviting to a new generation of people, many of whom have little understanding of the Christian faith and likely no understanding of our Lutheran approach.

If we can't get younger men, women, and families to enter our doors, it ultimately will not make a difference "how Lutheran we are." Eventually, we won't be around to make a difference. Our human traditions might make us comfortable, but we are called to be Christ-centered in order to make others seeking a faith community as comfortable as possible.

Transforming human traditions—**adiaphora**—to reach a new generation with the Gospel of Jesus Christ is about as Lutheran as it gets. A Ω



Any Time, Any Place . . .

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.



“THE NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE”

Please join your neighbors at
**Christ Lutheran Church’s
NEIGHBORHOOD
TABLE**

for a free meal. This a
neighborhood dinner here at
Christ Lutheran on the first
Monday of every month.

**Monday, September
10 at 6:00PM**

**WE ARE NEED OF
DESSERTS** ~ If anyone
would like to help set up or
make desserts, please call
Jaime Renda @
412-523-6927.

Bless Our Children Sunday

September 16 at 9:30AM

**In this troubled and challenging world,
children need our love, support, and guidance.**

And parents need the assistance of a caring
congregation to help them spiritually nurture
their children.

That’s why we’re celebrating **“Bless Our
Children” Sunday**. Each child’s family will
receive **“Devotions for Kids.”** These easy-to-
understand core Bible stories coincide with the
Sunday School lesson each week. **Grade 5
receives their “Connect Bibles”.**

New Frolic Sunday School Curriculum

Sunday School teachers will send you home with
a handout that will guide you in having fun and
family time with stories from the Bible.

- **New Sunday School Curriculum for
Pre-School Children ages 3 thru 5.**

Grades K-4 receive “Devotions for Kids”

- **Also there is a new Sunday School
Curriculum for Grades K thru 5.**

Grade 5 receives their “Connect Bibles”.

BAPTISMAL NEWS

Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays in September:

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2 Wayne Thompson, Aiden Ziegenfuss	17 Kenneth Satovich, Josie Wach
3 William Holland, Kevin Satovich	18
4 Adrienne Kapp	19 Amber Holland, Beverly Dreves
5	20 Skylar Alberth, Kelly Cross
6	21
7	22 Benjamin Scariot
8 Douglas Blum, Jessica Vanderhoof	23 Evan Weinbrenner
9 Gary Alberth, Samatha Demko, Gwen Webb	24
10	25 Matthew Hahn
11	26 Zoe Smallwood
12	27 Marilee Oesterling
13	28 Linda Feicht, Debbie Johnson, Jason Hischemellor, Thomas Pfeifer Jr., Al Thens
14	29 Natilee Oesterling, Alex Yund
15	30 Austin Verbanic

A New Day is Dawning!!

Refreshed, Repainted and Renewed . . .

**By the time Rally Day rolls around, our Sunday
School rooms will be on their way to bright new
colors and other upgrades. We’re working to
make the rooms more inviting for our children.**

**Look for ongoing improvement in all the
Sunday School rooms** in the coming months,
spearheaded by our Décor Team: Sandy Bell,
Beth Rios, Sherrie Lane, and Deb Olbert. *Keep
Coming, Come Back, Start Anew, but BE HERE!*

**Pastor
Away**



While I’m Gone . . .

Deb and I return to
Bloomington, Illinois, about
every four or five weeks to
see our long-term clients in
psychotherapy. We leave
after the 9:30 worship
service on Sunday and
return the following Friday
evening. **For the rest of
2018, we will be gone the
weeks of August 27,
October 8, November 12
and December 10.**

If you have need of Pastoral
care during this time, please
contact Pastor Mike
Robinson, St. John’s,
Perrysville: 412-260-4407.

While the Church Office is open
weekdays 9-2, Pastors and volun-
teers, like doctors, are often “on-call”
making things work for the good of
our members and community. Thank
you for remembering to include your
Church in your giving during the
summer months.

E-mail!

ARE YOU CONNECTED?

As a supplement to our newsletter, you could receive reminders and special announcements - short & sweet! - about your church's activities. We don't share your e-mail address. During the Lutheran Liturgical Year, we have shared e-moments for many seasons and celebrations, but apart from that we use it only to keep you informed. Just e-mail your address to: ChristLutheran917@gmail.com

Do you have a new neighbor?

When you say, "Welcome to our neighborhood", don't forget to ask, "Do you have a church home?"

Tell them about Christ Lutheran and what it means to you. Invite them to join you next Sunday.

-the Evangelism Team.

9:30AM Traditional Sunday Worship

5:00PM Heart and Soul Modern Worship

412-821-4300

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HOT OFF THE CLC PRESSES BISHOP AND COUNCIL OUTLINE CALL PROCESS

Bishop Kurt Kusserow met with the CLC Church Council on Monday evening, August 20th.

The Bishop affirmed the transformational ministry occurring at CLC. He then led the Council in a discussion of how to initiate the call process without short-circuiting the positive changes being made.

The following plan was approved by the Church Council by a vote of 6-3. The three members who voted no wanted to delay the start of the Call Committee.

Pastor Sarah Lee-Faulkner, Assistant to the Bishop, will meet with the Church Council at their December meeting to outline the call process and explain the needed documentation. The Call Committee will begin their work in January, 2019.

The Bishop recommends that the Call Committee complete a new Ministry Site Profile since there have been significant changes since the completion of the Ministry Site Profile used in the process of calling Pastor Lubold.

The Bishop recommends that a new Call Committee be formed. Their goal is to finish the Ministry Site Profile as close as possible to Easter, 2019.

CLC PRESSES continued . . . STEVE SLEPECKI STEPS UP....

With thunderous applause, the CLC Church Council responded to the news that Steve Slepecki has begun the process of being approved for study for the ordained ministry.

Steve completed the discernment process with Pastor Sarah Lee-Faulkner, Assistant to the Bishop, and met on Thursday evening with Pastor Peter Asplin, Assistant to the Bishop, about the approval process with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod.

Please offer you support and blessings to Steve, a truly excellent candidate!

AND UP!

The CLC Church Council discussed the demands on Pastor Scott's time given that he is serving CLC on a part-time basis. The primary concern is for the ongoing care for our older members.

With the Bishop's approval and unanimous support from the CLC Church Council, Steve Slepecki, a candidate for ordained ministry, will come on staff with a sole emphasis on ministry with our older members. With weekly supervision and mentoring by Pastor Scott, he will work to build relationships of care and

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Did You Know?

There is something for everyone at Christ Lutheran Church. Your special invitation to visit is on our list this Fall:

- Rally Day, Sunday, September 9th @ 8:30AM
- with the Pittsburgh Parrot @ 9AM
- Faith and Family Café, Sundays @ 8:30AM
- Bless Our Children Sunday, September 16th @ 9:30AM
- Frolic Sunday School Curriculum: Pre-Schoolers 3 to 5
- Sunday School Grades K thru 5
- Infant Nursery, Sundays during Worship
- Confirmation Classes for 7th and 8th Graders
- First Communion Class
- High School Sunday School on 2nd and 4th Sundays
- 2 Adult Bible Studies, Sundays @ 10:30AM and 4:00PM

TWO ADULT STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AT CLC...

• COMBINE BIBLE STUDY AND HEART AND SOUL!!

John Curry, who has been attending our Heart and Soul Worship has graciously offered to teach a Bible study on the Gospel of Luke at 4:00PM on Sunday afternoon so you can combine the study of Scripture and Heart and Soul worship at 5:00PM.

Luke's Gospel is the most broad-minded and the most forgiving. Every chance he gets, Luke has Jesus forgiving people, right up the good thief on the cross. Luke sees God as generous, merciful, and inclusive.

Luke's Gospel is a great way to dip your toe into the waters of the Scriptures.

Presently, John serves as Vice-President of East Liberty Lutheran Church. He is both a teacher and Assistant Principal at Shadyside Academy. Having studied both Greek and Hebrew, John brings you a wealth of knowledge and experience. **Plan to jump into this opportunity for Bible study at 4:00PM on September 16th.**

• SUNDAY MORNING AT 10:30

Our long-standing adult study continues this fall at 10:30AM in the library. It, too, will kick off on Sunday, September 16th.

Steve Slepecki serves as facilitator for the continuation of the study of Luther's **Small Catechism**. For nearly five centuries, this Catechism has served as the basic instruction book for the Lutheran Church.

Steve is in the process of exploring the path toward ordained ministry.



Please use a Sign-Up Sheet on the Bulletin Boards! We need to have an idea of attendance for breakfast refreshments. Thanks!!

Faith and Family Cafe...

Where do parents of Sunday School children go at 8:30?

Where do adults go to find a safe place to explore matters of family and faith?

Pastor Scott and Debbie Olbert kick off the initial series for Family and Faith Café with "UPGRADING YOUR MARRIAGE". Along with their own twenty-five-year marriage in their blended family, they bring a combined forty-five years of experience working in therapy with couples of all kinds.

In the first session alone, you'll learn:

- ◇ Why opposites attract.
- ◇ Why the Biblical advice to "leave father and mother" is a critical first step.
- ◇ Why that "first buzz" is both absolutely right and absolutely wrong.
- ◇ Why marriage today is largely an emotional relationship.
- ◇ What makes marriage so fragile.
- ◇ The four words every man hates to hear and every woman loves.
- ◇ The Two-Year Rule.
- ◇ Three stages of early relationship.

Down-to-earth, funny, practical, and with a depth of understanding, you will find helpful ways to improve your most important relationship.

We are partnering with Tupelo Honey Teas to provide breakfast refreshments at a reasonable cost to you.

Faith and Family Café starts at 8:30AM on Sunday, September 16, in the CLC Social Hall. Come early to get a good seat and something to eat and drink!

Please note: We ask that all parents of Sunday School children come to Family and Faith Café instead of remaining in the children's Sunday School rooms. We appreciate your cooperation.



When You Read Your Newsletter . . .

. . . be good to yourself.

Get a cup of coffee, tea or whatever drink you enjoy, maybe even a snack and “thing on these things”. (St. Paul to the Philippians 4:8: “Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about such things.”)

These are the good and true facts of Christianity that your Church brings to you each Sunday in its fellowship of believers, knowledge that strengthens your heart and soul.

Blessings.

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CLC PRESSES continued . . .

STEVE SLEPECKI STEPS UP....

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support with our older members.

Often, congregations hire a staff person for Youth Ministry. Think of Steve’s ministry as Elder Ministry!



MO HERBSTER TO SERVE AS PASTORAL LIAISON

Maureen (Mo) Herbster received unanimous support from the CLC Church Council to serve as Pastoral Liaison.

As Pastoral Liaison, Pastor Scott will rely on Mo to carry out pressing tasks on a timely basis.

Two recent examples:

Mo was instrumental in sorting through scores of resumes searching for the replacement for Stacy Smeltzer. She included Rheba Salac in the final three candidates, was involved in the interview process, and helped recommend Rheba as the appropriate candidate for Administrative Assistant.

Mo also identified, interviewed, and recommended the two qualified child-care providers who will staff our Nursery this year.

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MO HERBSTER TO SERVE AS PASTORAL LIAISON

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Mo worked for ten years in the commercial construction market, primarily focusing on community relations, customer relationship management, and workplace development. She exudes a passion for people, community, and growing in her own faith.

Please welcome Mo as you have opportunity.



YOUNG ADULTS in GLOBAL MISSION



We have learned from our churchwide office that two of the newly called Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) volunteers have come from a congregation, campus ministry, ELCA camp or college as a faith home within our synod. Sydney Ewing (Camp Lutherlyn) will serve in Central Europe, and Tara Barnard (Waynesburg University and First Presbyterian Waynesburg) will serve in Argentina and Uruguay. We ask that you remember Sydney and Tara in your prayers for their year of service as YAGMs.

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY - If you are a young adult looking for a community of friends who express faith, consider campus ministry. Campus Ministry strengthens and supports. Visit www.elca.org/Our-Work/Related-Ministries/Campus-Ministry.



Like a

BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER

Songs of hope and joy
performed by
**North Hills Harmony Line
Chorus**

**Saturday,
September 2
at 2PM**

**St. John's Lutheran of
Highland**
311 Cumberland Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

**Admission: Free Will
Donations or
Non-perishable Food**

Questions: contact Tom
Beecher, 412-486-2550

Eternal Life

Helen B. (Korona) Gogoel, mother of Bernadette Thompson, entered into Eternal Life on August 15, 2018.



Thank you, Lord, for the hope and assurance of life's eternal nature. It is not like the period at the end of a sentence but like a comma – marking a transition into a new life where we continue to love with you and remain in the hearts and minds of loved ones and friends. Be with me that eventually I may sense anew your peace that passes all understanding. We remember the Gogoel, Korona and Thompson Families in thought and prayer.

Thank You to our **Offering Count Team** who steadfastly and graciously connect each week to record what members give from their hearts . . . Gary Milliken, Donna Davis, Beth Rios, Linda Thens, Paul Bell, Dorie and Frank Budzik, Helen Schwab, and Sherrie Lane, and Records Bev & Rick Dreves.

Thanks to our **September Ushers** Sherrie Lane & Julie Slepecki, Mandy Friess & Jaime Renda, Judy Alberth & Tina Galioto, Paul Bell & Tim Wach.

We're connecting Your Family with our Sunday . . . **HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL**

ATTENTION ALL TEENS and PARENTS of TEENS!

Don't forget, this Fall we want to get the High School Sunday School class up and running again! We will plan to start meeting on the 2nd and 4th Sundays each month, beginning on Rally Day, September 9, along with the other classes. All post-Confirmation teens are welcome.

Our young adults will be making decisions about what they'd like to study as well as a meeting time. If you have a High School Student who would like to attend, please email Steve Slepecki and let him know: steve91281@hotmail.com. (Or just flag him down before or after church.)



Thanks!

September 2018 Calendar at Christ Lutheran Church

Saturday, September 1	9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Social Room
Sunday, September 2	9:30AM Traditional Worship 1:00PM Rabies Clinic 5PM Heart and Soul Worship Labor Day, Office Closed 6:15PM Yoga
Monday, September 3	6PM Girl Scouts #649; 7:30PM NA, Library
Friday, September 7	9AM AA, Library
Saturday, September 8	7PM NA, Social Room
Sunday, September 9	8:30AM RALLY DAY, Sunday School 9:30AM Traditional Worship First Birthday Party Rory Benn 5PM Heart and Soul Worship
Monday, September 10	6:00PM Neighborhood Table Dinner 6:15PM Yoga; 7PM Pain Support
Tuesday, September 11	7:00PM Hannah Circle
Wednesday, September 12	5:30PM Daisy Troop, Social Hall
Friday, September 14	7:30PM NA, Library
Saturday, September 15	9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Social Hall
Sunday, September 16	8:30AM Sunday School 9:30AM Traditional Worship 10:30AM Adult Bible Study (Lutheran) 4:00PM Adult Bible Study (Luke) 5PM Heart and Soul Worship 6PM Choir Practice
Monday, September 17	6:15PM Yoga; 7PM Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 19	10AM-1PM Food Cupboard
Friday, September 21	6PM Girl Scouts #649; 7:30PM NA, Library
Saturday, September 22	9AM AA, Library; 10:30AM Let's Cook
Sunday, September 23	7PM NA, Social Hall 8:30AM Sunday School 9:30AM Traditional Worship 10:30AM Adult Bible Study (Lutheran) 4:00PM Adult Bible Study (Luke) 5PM Heart and Soul Worship 6PM Choir Practice
Monday, September 24	6:15PM Yoga; 7PM Pain Support
Wednesday, September 26	10AM Food Cupboard Delivery
Friday, September 28	5:30PM Daisy Troop, Social Room
Saturday, September 1	7:30PM NA, Library
Sunday, September 30	9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Social Room 8:30AM Sunday School 9:30AM Traditional Worship 10:30AM Adult Bible Study (Lutheran) 4:00PM Adult Bible Study (Luke) 5PM Heart and Soul Worship 6PM Choir Practice

Thanks to Sherrie Lane for her dedication in keeping the Calendar!!

Eternal Life

Francis S. "Frank" Lardin, father of Ray Lardin, entered into Eternal Life on August 15, 2018.



Thank you, Lord, for the hope and assurance of our eternal nature and that death is not the end of the life but a new beginning. Thank you for being my help when helpless, my strength when weak, my hope in despair, my light in darkness, my guide in confusion, my comfort in distress, my Savior when lost and for welcoming Frank into Your Love. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Lardin Family.

Thanks to our **September Ministry Team**. . . **ACOLYTES** Emma Charles, Victoria Scariot, Deja Lane, Evan Visconti. **ALTAR GUILD** Jean & Linda Thens, Bev & Rick Dreves, the Lanes, Gail Jameson. **GREETERS** Jean & Linda Thens, Bernadette Thompson, Judy Stennett, Holly Duss, Danielle & Morgan Visconti, Sherrie Lane. **ASSISTING our MINISTER** Jade Lane, Amy Schaufl, Holly Duss, Lennie Jansen, Erik Jansen.

DO YOU HAVE A SEVENTH OR EIGHTH GRADER??!!

Part of our Lutheran tradition is for seventh and eighth graders to go through two years of instruction on our Lutheran approach to the Christian faith.

Lenny Jansen and Eric Stennett bring deeply committed faith and knowledge to these two years of instruction.

Confirmation classes will begin on Sunday, September 16th, at 8:30AM. Call or email the church office to make sure we are aware of your child's intention to participate: 412-821-4300 or christlutheran917@gmail.com.

WORSHIP at CLC CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

At 9:30AM each Sunday, we celebrate Christ in Worship. You can visit this **traditional Lutheran Worship** each week throughout the year, so come as you are and join us!

At 5:00PM each Sunday, we celebrate again with **Heart and Soul Modern Worship**

and Teaching by Pastor Scott Olbert

"Connecting Faith and Life"

Music is by Nancy Galbraith

Visit us at either or both and uplift your soul.



IF YOU WANT TO HEAR THE SERMON, NOW YOU CAN! We love having children—and lots of them—at worship. But parents don't always need to sit in church and ride herd on their kids. We want parents to be spiritually nurtured by worship, prayer, and preaching. So, we are working toward having our Nursery up and running by Rally Day. Not only that, the Nursery will be staffed by a qualified childcare provider who will provide consistent and competent childcare Sunday after Sunday during Worship.

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Feed Your Spirit

A New Day is Dawning and it is for you! Plan to visit us at any of the events and classes shown below. We invite you to call or email with questions: 412-821-4300 or ChristLutheran917@gmail.com

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**YOUR BABY
DOESN'T HAVE
TO CRY to COME
to the INFANT
NURSERY**

We love babies. When they are born. When they are baptized. When they are brought to worship. But sometimes our babies—and their mothers—need a break.

We are in the process of upgrading our Infant Nursery (formerly the "Cry Room"). Soon mothers and babies will have a safe, comfortable, and refurbished Infant Nursery complete with sound capability so you can hear the sermon!

Annual Flea Market and Bake Sale

at Alverno Apartments
on Saturday,
September 8th
9AM to 2PM
Hawthorne and
Evergreen Roads.
*Many Treasures
await you!*

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At CLC and in our Community . . .

ANIMAL FRIENDS RABIES CLINIC: Sunday, September 2 from 1-3PM at CLC.

RALLY DAY is SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 at 8:30AM with an Ice Cream Breakfast and Tour of the newly renovated Sunday School Rooms, Nursery and Infant Room. The Pirate Parrot will be at Rally Day at 9AM - plan on visiting! Pirate Parrot coloring books will be available on Rally Day.

The FAITH and FAMILY CAFÉ OPENS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 at 8:30AM!! Where do adults go to find a safe place to explore matters of family and faith? Pastor Scott and Debbie Olbert kick off the initial series for Family and Faith Café with “UPGRADING YOUR MARRIAGE”. Along with their own 25-year marriage in their blended family, they bring a combined 45 years of experience working in therapy with couples of all kinds. They present information that you’ll find down-to-earth, funny, practical, and with a depth of understanding. Plan on attending during children’s Sunday School; please use the Sign-Up Sheets on the bulletin boards.

Camp Lutherlyn Calendar

September

4 to 9 Quilting/Crafting Retreat (weekend or entire week)

October

5 to 7 Wild Women Weekend (Mothers and Daughters)

20, 21 Woodland Quilters Quilt Show

26 to 28 Family Getaway Weekend

27 Family Halloween Fund and Trick-or-Treating

November

3 Saturday Safari

3 to 18 Quilting/Crafting Retreat (weekend or entire week)

December

11/30 to 12/2 Family Getaway Weekend

1 Pastoral Plunge, Quilt Auction, and Family Advent Festival

Visit www.lutherlyn.com for more information about these events and for the schedule at the Lutherlyn Equestrian Center and Woodland Center for Arts and Crafts.

Lutherlyn: P.O. Box 355, Prospect,PA 1652 - 724-865-2161 - registrar@lutherlyn.com - www.lutherlyn.com

Office Hours	412-821-4300
Monday – Friday	9:00am – 2:00pm
Church Website	www.christmillvale.church
Church Facebook	Christ Lutheran Church Millvale
Office Email	ChristLutheran917@gmail.com
EVERY SUNDAY:	
Worship Services	
Sunday Traditional Worship	9:30am
Sunday Heart and Soul ~ Modern Worship	5:00pm
Sunday School	8:30am
Adult Bible Study	Sundays: 10:30am and 4:00pm
Community Services	
N. A. Meeting	Fridays @ 7:30pm
	Saturdays @ 7:00pm
A. A. Meeting	Saturdays@ 9:00am
Millvale Food Cupboard	3 rd Wednesday 10:00am-3:00pm
Staff	
Transitional Interim Pastor	The Reverend Scott Olbert
Music Director/Organist	Nancy Galbraith
Secretary	Rheba Salac
Aaron Jackson	Creative Director
Sextons	Sherrie Lane and Michelle Hilliard

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works plenty hard. The Building is open most days, welcoming many people doing many things for each other, for the community, and for God. Please tread lightly; wipe your feet; and kindly pick up after yourself. Be kind to her.

North Hills Community Outreach Provides HomeMeds Screenings for Seniors

North Hills Community Outreach offers free HomeMeds medication safety screenings for seniors living in northern Allegheny County, north of the City of Pittsburgh.

Trained volunteers meet with seniors and review all medications. The screening information is sent to a pharmacist for assessment and follow-up. All seniors age 60 or older are welcome to register.

To schedule a meds safety screening, contact Cathy at 412-307-0069, extension 3313.