

Christ Lutheran Church

May 2024

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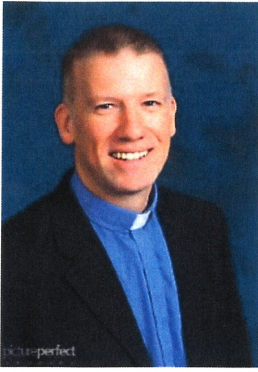
Northwest Synod of Wisconsin
Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
God's Work. Our Hands.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SOMERSET, WI 54025



The Agape Meal held on Wednesday, April 17th was greatly enjoyed by the participants. This special service of Christian fellowship recalls the meals Jesus shared with his disciples during his ministry. We gathered together to prepare the food and set the tables. The service included special prayers, scripture and simple food items that we shared together around a special table. Big thanks to Pastor Jeff for organizing this terrific event!





Faith Reflections

by Pastor Jeff Smith

“May Blessings”

Dear Partners in Ministry,

For my “May” article, I thought I’d take a few moments to pray a prayer of blessing for all who may read this...and those who won’t!

Dear Lord,

MAY you bless Christ Lutheran Church.

MAY you bless the saints of this congregation who have been here for decades.

MAY you bless those who joined us for the first time in the last few months.

*MAY you bless the saints in light who founded & built CLC,
& ministered faithfully in this place.*

MAY you bless those who are joyful and those who are mourning.

MAY you bless our students as they prepare for final exams.

MAY you bless our farmers as they plant with hope for a fruitful growing season.

MAY you bless our accountants as they recover from a busy tax season.

MAY you bless our seniors who are struggling with health concerns or loneliness.

MAY you bless our little children that they may come to know your love for them.

*MAY you bless all who labor, using their gifts to help the world
and provide the necessities of life for their family.*

MAY you bless all who risk their lives each day in service to others.

MAY you bless the community of Somerset and the surrounding area.

MAY you bless the state of Wisconsin, our country, and all nations of the world.

I ask this all in the name of the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~Pastor Jeff

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beloved Somerset teacher Nancy Klaas passed away at home surrounded by her family on April 20th, 2024. Her infectious love of life inspired many of our students. There will be a Gathering of Family and Friends on Saturday, May 4th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1500 Vine Street, Hudson WI. Mass of Christian Burial follows at 12:00 - 1:00 pm at the same location. Our heartfelt condolences to Nancy's family and friends. She will be greatly missed by our community!

Diane Kaufmann, cherished wife of Pastor Greg Kaufmann, passed away on Friday, April 12th, 2024 at the age of 73. Visitation will be held Friday, May 3rd from 4:00 to 8:00 pm and from 9:30 am until time of service on Saturday. Diane's funeral service will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, May 4th, 2024. Both the service and visitation will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3214 Golf Road, Eau Claire. Sincere condolences to the Kaufmann family.

Spaghetti dinner and bake sale fundraiser for Robin (Knutson) Procai will be held on Thursday, May 9th from 5 - 7:30 pm at the Somerset American Legion. Robin has been a Special Education Para at Somerset School District for 17 years, a crossing guard for 11 years, as well as being a volunteer in our community. Robin was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, cirrhosis of the liver, as well as diabetes. Robin has always been a selfless giver of her time and putting herself last. Please help support Robin and family through this difficult time.

Please hold these dear friends in prayer: Sharon Swanson, Robin Knutson, Tom and June Boyer, Eric Grant, Gary Grant, Paul H, Scott and Sue Hovet, Curt Hughes, Vern and Roberta Jelle, Jan Kjellberg, Merle Meisner, Bill Neuman, Jeff and Carol Reed, Ronald Rixmann, Wyatt Schmit, Ross Swanson, Tom Warren.


Pea Soup Days are June 6th - 9th. Watch for the parade sign-up coming soon. Please contact the church office asap if you are able to pull the float. We are looking forward to another great day connecting with our community!



Greg and Brittany Nichols were blessed with the birth of their baby boy Levi David Nichols on March 3rd, 2024.

Big sisters Sophia, Briella and Emma can't get enough of him!

Welcome to the CLC family, Levi!



Cleaning Day!
May 31st, 9-12 pm.
We have high school volunteers lined up to help with yard work and cleaning. We need your help to tidy the grounds and make the church sparkle! Supplies will be provided.

Christ Lutheran Church Council Agenda

4:00 p.m., March 13, 2024

The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is: Sharing God's Love with Hearts and Hands

4:08 CALL TO ORDER – Sarah Warren

Present: Lisa Mevissen, Martin Morud, Pastor Jeff, Sarah Warren, Sharon Ammerman, Ashley Cochran, Tricia, Paul N., Beth Hankel

Not Present: Donny Kern, Carol Hokenson

4:09 READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT – All

4:09-4:20 DWELLING IN THE WORD & OPENING PRAYER – (Pastor Jeff) Romans 15:7, Matthew 25:35, Hebrews 13:2, First Peter 4, 3rd John 1:5, Leviticus 13:4, Acts 28:2.

Next Month: Ashley

4:20 APPROVAL OF MARCH 13th AGENDA & FEBRUARY 14th MINUTES – Tricia made motion to approve minutes, Sarah Seconded. Approved. Ashley made motion to approve Agenda, Tricia seconded. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

4:21-4:30 Council Retreat (Jeff)

ACTION ITEM: Set date and rough agenda

- Set 3 dates and run by participants. 4/17, 4/24, 5/1 for 3 hour duration. Need to consider potluck. Pastor will consult with Marty and Sarah about possible topics.

4:30 – 5:06 Marketing – Presentation by Adam Johnston. A detailed message will be sent to Marty to disburse to the group. After review we will discuss next steps.

Open position in worship – do we have a chair? Concern is pulpit supply. Pulpit supply is scheduled through March. Ashley will send out email to ask. Carol H responded that she will chair, but did not want to schedule pulpit supply.

5:06–5:12 Creating a Welcoming Environment for Visitors (Sarah & Jeff)

- After Easter we will move treats closer to Narthex to be more welcoming
- Would like to remove the clutter, and open both doors. Motion to move ahead made by Sarah, seconded by Sharon. Approved.

ACTION ITEM: Approve at least one item to try for the next month

5:12-5:17 REPORTS: (If Time!)

- Finance/Treasurer's (Approve) (Note: If not a printed report, must have a verbal report)

- Verbal report given. Reviewed audit report with one item to be voted on regarding stale rent assistance check that was never cashed by landlord. Ashley made motion to send the \$400 to Grace plan. Sarah seconded. Approved.
- Ashley Motion to end the meeting at 5:18 PM, Sarah seconded. Approved.
- Pastor's (Accept)
- President's Report
- Building & Property (Accept)
- Worship (No Meeting)
- Education (No Meeting)
- Youth
- WELCA
- Stewardship (No Meeting)
- Endowment (No Meeting)
- Call Committee (No Meeting)

Next Meeting, April 10, 4:00 PM

LORD'S PRAYER & ADJOURNMENT – Sarah Warren

WONDERFUL WORTH OF A WOMAN

The Joys, Challenges, & Influences



2024 WELCA Retreat

Wed. June 5 & Thur. June 6

Presenter: Pastor Lori Peper

Music: Northern Lakes Worship Team

Hosted by: Chippewa Valley Conf. Jacki Johnson — coordinator 715-864-1489

Held at: Luther Park Bible Camp
944 24 ¼ Stret Chetek, WI

Full 2 day - Retreat - Early Bird Registration \$90 postmarked by 5/15/24. \$100 postmarked after 5/15/24
This includes 4 meals, overnight lodging in a handicapped accessible cabin, cabins sleep 6 women, Speaker, camp activities, and costs to host the retreat.

Needed items for overnight stay: Bible and pen along with personal items, towels, pillows, bedding or sleeping bag, flashlight, swimsuit (if you want to swim), snacks, camera, and spending money.

One day only, Early Bird Registration \$60 postmarked by 5/15/24. \$70.00 postmarked after 5/15/24
This includes 2 meals, Speaker, camp activities, and costs to host the retreat.

Needed items for one day retreat: Bible and pen along with swimsuit (if you want to swim), towel, camera, and spending money.

NO ONSITE Registration and *No early check-ins for Cabins*

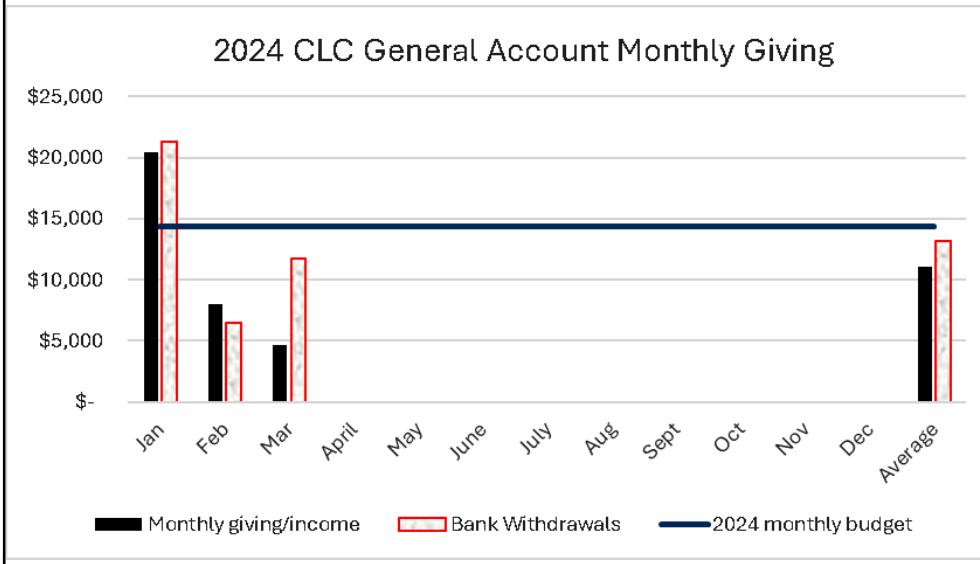
Registration: Wednesday - 9:30 A.M. – 10:15 A.M. in the Ministry Center

Thursday - 7:30 A.M. – 7:45 A.M. in the Ministry Center

Retreat begins at 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday and concludes at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday

A free will offering will be taken each day with proceeds going to WELCA and Feed My People

Monthly Financial Report for March 2024



Monthly Budget
\$14,375

March Deposits
\$4618.53

March Withdrawals
\$11,763.72

May Birthdays

Justin Hills	Tommy Grygienc	Kendalyn Mattren
Jenevieve Justesen	Tanner Flitter	Leroy Olson
Karen Wells	Kathlene Olson	Rachel Erickson
Chloe Rivard	Asher Iverson	Loretta Lange
Shantel Backes	Lilliana Justesen	Jennifer Erickson
Maxwell Cochran	Jackson Galloway	Katelynn Peterson
Heidi Anderson	Chris Carlson	Benjamin Kern
Francisco Gomez		Wyatt Schmit

We All Have Spiritual Gifts

CLC is blessed with many people in our congregation who are willing to share their spiritual gifts. We are grateful to these people who read, serve communion, usher, light candles, count the offering, live-stream the services, and serve on Altar Care setting up communion and changing paraments and banners. Special thanks to Doug Halberg, Roger Hughes, Rachel Erickson, Beth Hankel, and WELCA for their faithful assistance!

Month	Altar Care	Reader	Communion Assistant	Greeter	Counters
May	Carol Hokenson				
5		Sarah Warren	Sarah Warren		Joan and Sharon
12		Cherrie Wood	Kevin Noeldner		Karen and Carol
19		Rachel Erickson	Donnie Kern		Carol and Joe
26		Sharon Ammerman	Carol Hokenson		John and Sue
June	Cherrie Wood				
2		Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Erv and Roger
9		Sharon Swanson	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Carol and Joe
16		Lisa Mevissen	Lisa Mevissen	Lisa Mevissen	John and Sue
23		Beth Hankel	Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Joan and Sharon
30		Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol and Karen
July	Sue Strese				
7		Donnie Kern	Donnie Kern	Donnie Kern	Erv and Roger
14		Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	John and Sue
21		Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Sharon and Joan
28		Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Karen and Joe

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Connection and Community

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 9 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts	6 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts (Upstairs) 7 pm AA (Downstairs)	7 1-3 pm Cards 5:30 pm Girl Scouts	8 4 pm Council	9 10 am-3 pm River Valley Foot Care	10 CLC Crafters	11 CLC Crafters 2-5 pm Girl Scouts
12 9 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts 	13 No School 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts (Upstairs) 7 pm AA (Downstairs)	14 1-3 pm Cards	15	16 10 am-3 pm River Valley Foot Care	17	18 
19 Day of Pentecost 9 am Worship w/ Pr Sarah Schaffner 4-6 pm Girl Scouts	20 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts (Upstairs) 7 pm AA (Downstairs)	21 1-3 pm Cards 5:30 pm Girl Scouts	22	23	24	25
26 Holy Trinity 9 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts	27 No School No Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm AA 	28 1-3 pm Cards	29	30	31 9 am-12 pm Cleaning/HS Service Day @ CLC	

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Sharing God's Love with Hearts and Hands

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SOMERSET, WISCONSIN

Established in 1896, we are a Christ-centered faith community with the heart and mind of those living in the 21st century. Our mission is to love and serve you right where you live. Everyone is welcome here!

Contacts for CLC

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Accompanist: Beth Hankel
Music Director: Rachel Erickson
Custodian: Roger Hughes
Office Manager: Chris Dubak

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 9:00 AM

Followed by coffee and fellowship

Sunday service is live-streamed on YouTube - search Christ Lutheran Somerset.

A link is posted on our Facebook page as well.



E-mail: christluthsom@somtel.net



Website: <https://somersetlutheran.com>



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