

Christ Lutheran Church

2024 TRUNK OR TREAT

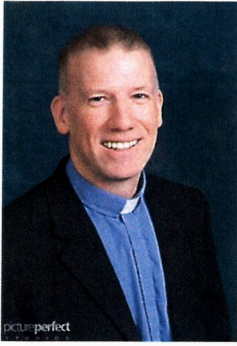
November 2024



The FRIEND

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SOMERSET, WI 54025





Faith Reflections

by Pastor Jeff Smith

“Feeling Grateful”

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Here comes November, and I’m feeling grateful! Grateful for an unseasonably warm fall. Grateful for seven students who affirmed their faith on Oct. 27 and Nov. 3. Grateful for all the saints who blessed our lives that we remembered on All Saints Sunday. Grateful to be your Bridge Pastor. Grateful to be taking my Mom on a European river cruise this month. Grateful for all my family and friends.

For what are you feeling grateful? November is capped off by Thanksgiving, before the craziness of the pre-Christmas season. I encourage you to take some extra time this November and thank your Lord for the blessings in your life. Then also thank others- your mail/package delivery person, our church staff, the custodian at your work or school, your barber or stylist, and all the other people you maybe sometimes take for granted.

God has blessed us all through his grace and through the people in our lives. Let’s offer up our thanks and praise for all those blessings!

Your sibling in Christ,

~Pastor Jeff



November Youth Event!

All youth in Grades 6-12 are invited to join us for a fun night of dancing! This is NOT like a school dance-it's way better! No awkward looking for someone to dance with you. No worries about if you are a good dancer or not. No fancy clothes. Just come as you are and Pastor Jeff will teach you everything you need to know about fun folk and square dances from Israel, Russia, and the USA!

What: FOLK DANCING!

Where: Christ Lutheran

Who: Grades 6-12 & Friends

When: Wednesday, 6-7 pm, November 6



Sarah Warren

Hello!

I'm currently serving as your Council president and have been with Christ Lutheran Church for about 22 years.

My husband Tom and I were married here in 2003. We have enjoyed many roles in the church with ministry teams and enjoying serving with our community.

We have one daughter, Julia who is 14 years old. She just started high school, which is a whole new experience, for both Julia and her parents.

I'm enjoying looking ahead, and envisioning what this church can become in the future. While I know we have work to do, I know that CLC has a place in the Somerset Community.

Working at Lakeview hospital, in admitting and registration. I'm one of the first people you see if you need to come in for help. I feel passionate about helping people, and it makes me happy when I see a patient feeling better.

I'm also passionate about education, creativity, reading and music. I love volunteering at the Somerset schools.

My hope for the next few years is to find out what Christ Lutheran is passionate about, and expanding that passion into works. In the Somerset community, and beyond.



Christ Lutheran Church Council Agenda
4:00 p.m., September 11, 2024

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

4:00 **CALL TO ORDER** – Sarah Warren
Present: Sarah Warren, Lisa Meissen, Sharon Ammerman, Ashley Cochran, Paul Nasvik, Pastor Jeff, Carol Hokenson

4:01 **READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT** – All

4:02-4:13 **DWELLING IN THE WORD & OPENING PRAYER** – (Paul)
Oct. Leader: Sarah

4:13 **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 11 AGENDA & JUL 31 MINUTES** - Motion to approve all by Ashley., Seconded by Sharon A.. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

4:13-4:55 **"BOLD INITIATIVE"** Listening Sessions Planning (Jeff & Sarah)

Based on discussions with Trinity Lutheran pastors

ACTION ITEM: Decide who/what/when/where to determine needs of community. Define dates for individuals to be trained by Trinity Lutheran to perform the Listening sessions. The training would take 90 minutes. Looks like Sunday's after church may work for both parties. Possible dates are 9/22, 9/29, 10/13 & 10/20. Need to prepare an announcement to ask the congregation if they want to participate in the training and performing of interviews, or be interviewed. Sarah will write-up the announcement and give to Chris to circulate. Paul will discuss with Trinity to give us a general list of areas in the community to reach out to. Target goal to have interviews to be done by end of November. The goal is to compile information and have a presentation in the annual meeting. Motion to proceed with BOLD INITIATIVE by Lisa, Seconded by Ashley. Motion passed.

Trunk or Treat: Would like a notice in the bulletin to see if there is interest in putting on the Trunk or Treat event this year. If no interest/volunteers, we may not be able to have this event. Date would be 10/26 from 4-6.

4:55-5:03 Website Updating: Plan for who/how to keep website up to date

ACTION ITEM: Approve plan for maintaining website. Discussed cutting back on the content in the website to lessen the time needed to keep it updated (i.e. cut out ministry team reports/minutes, keep calendar, etc.). Motion to review the website (Ashley) and send Pastor, Chris and Sarah on what to take down from the website made by Ashley, Seconded by Lisa. Motion passed. Assessment is step one, maintenance of website will be determined after step one.

Ensure Chris has enough time to get done her tasks in the allotted time. Pastor Jeff will take this task. Need to ensure we know about items being dropped on her to do.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

None

5:10-5:25 **REPORTS: (If Time!)**

Finance/Treasurer's – No report received.

Pastor's (Accept) – provided separately

President's Report (Accept)

Building & Property (Accept)

Worship (Accept)

Education (Accept) – We will not have confirmation this Sunday. The retreat is on 10/18 – 10/20. There is no school on 10/18 and 10/21, but we will keep date as is. Confirmation banquet – In the past the catering was around \$500-\$600. Do we want to move to pot luck instead? Do we want to pursue Endowment request or Thrivent grant to defray the cost? Will need individuals to setup, serve and cleanup. Should the dinner be eliminated? Decision: we will only do rehearsal & pictures on Wednesday. No formal dinner. Made around \$2,500 from volunteering at the Outlaw concert.

Youth (Accept)

WELCA (Accept)

Stewardship (No Meeting)

Endowment (Accept) - An Endowment Request was approved for: \$550 for 3 Guitars for Children & Youth Music Ministry

Call Committee (No Meeting)

Next Meeting: 4 pm, Oct. 16– Chris/Marty: Please change the meeting planner as this was 10/9.

LORD'S PRAYER & ADJOURNMENT – Pastor Jeff. Carol motion to adjourn, Seconded by Sarah. Motion passed. 5:24 PM.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office will be closed Monday, Nov 4th and Thursday, Nov 7th. The office will be open at 11 am on Tuesday, Nov 5th, and 1 pm on Wednesday, Nov 6th.

Big thanks to Donnie and Joe, who have been busy preparing the building and grounds for winter. Help is being requested for volunteers to wash windows, especially the interior windows.

WELCA's Annual Election Day Ham Dinner on November 5th, from 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm. Full ham dinner. \$13 Adults, \$12 Seniors, \$6 Kids (5-12), Free (Under 5). Donations and volunteers are always appreciated. The kitchen door will be open for food drop-off on Monday from 9 am - 8 pm and at 8:30 am Tuesday. Don't forget to vote!

Get creative with the CLC Crafters! November 8th and 9th. Set up after 9:00 a.m. on Friday and stay as long as you like. Leave your supplies and equipment in the space, and come back on Saturday after 9:00 a.m. and craft to your hearts content!

Red Cross Bloodmobile will be here on Monday, November 11th, 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm. To make an appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org/ and enter: Somerset or call 1-800-RedCross.

Our esteemed choir director Rachel Erickson would like to invite you to sing with the choir!!! Please join us at 9 am in the choir loft every Sunday. We have an additional rehearsal time available at 6:30 on Wednesday evenings for anyone who would like to rehearse parts a little more! We look forward to making joyful music unto the Lord with you!!!

Seeking information gatherers! Our council is looking to gather information about the needs of our surrounding community, and we are looking for several interviewers. You would be trained and given questions to ask. Please call Sarah Warren (612-419-8493) for more information & to sign up.

Friends of Somerset Public Library Silent Auction: 10:00 am on November 2nd through 4:00 pm on November 15th. 208 Hud St. Somerset. More info @ <https://www.somersetlibrary.org/>

Join us for a benefit for Michelle Givens, St. Anne's beloved art teacher who is fighting cancer. Sunday, November 17th from 11:30 am - 3:30 pm at St. Anne Catholic School in Somerset. This event will feature food, games, and a silent auction. Let's join together to show our love & support!

Free community Thanksgiving dinner November 28, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Full turkey dinner, deliveries available in New Richmond, Somerset & Star Prairie only. Reservations taken November 1 - November 22. Dinner held at Immaculate Conception Church - 151 S. Washington Ave. New Richmond. Please call Ronda Bierbrauer at 715-246-2086 Volunteers needed.

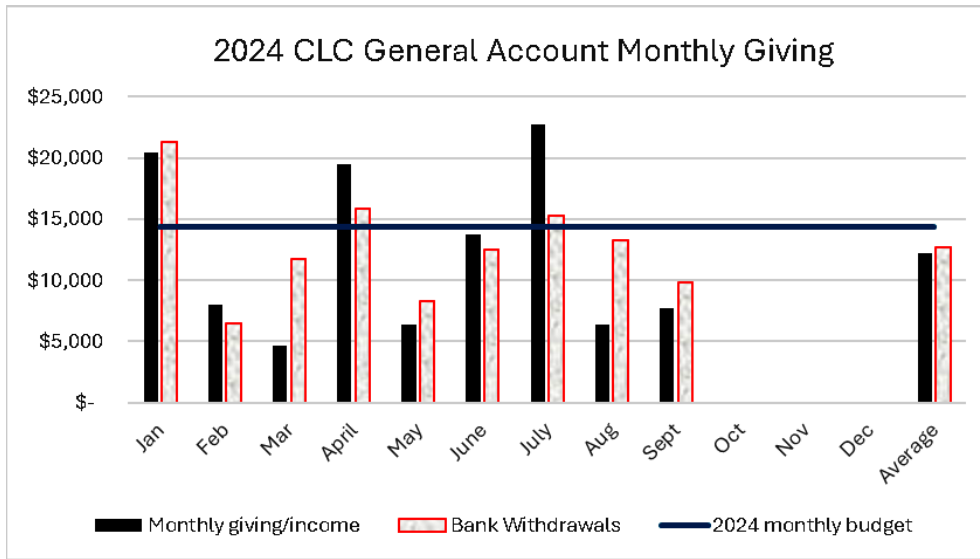
Happy Friendsgiving from Somerset businesses and families! Serving smoked turkey and ham with all the fixings at the Somerset American Legion. Thanksgiving Day from 12 pm-2:30 pm. Free or free-will donation, delivery available as well. Let us know if you are able to donate food for the event, money to the food pantry, or volunteer your time on Thanksgiving Day.

Event by Somerset Community Food Pantry - Saturday, November 23rd. Purse bingo: games, raffles, 50/50. Registration at 9:00 am, play starts at 10:00 am. Advanced registration is appreciated, registration at the door is available. The Rendezvous Bar and Grill will have the kitchen and the bar open, join us for more fun than you'll have anywhere else! 220 Main St, Somerset. If you've joined us in the past you know we have the most fabulous purses! And we have AMAZING raffle prizes donated from terrific sponsors! You won't be disappointed!

Spirit Lutheran Foundation has created a Hurricane Relief Fund. Gifts will be matched to a maximum of \$50,000. All donations are 100% tax deductible. They have chosen ELCA's "Lutheran Disaster Response" as the recipient of their collective donations. They hope to close this campaign by mid-November so act now, thousands of people need our support. HOW TO DONATE: Spirit Lutheran Foundation, 1310 Main Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701. Memo Line: Hurricane Relief Fund. www.spiritlutheran.org/foundation.

Please hold these dear friends in prayer: Dean Strehlau, Tom Sirovatka, Marya, Stephen Peterson, Tami, Robin Knutson, Tom and June Boyer, Eric Grant, Gary Grant, Paul H, Scott and Sue Hovet, Curt Hughes, Vern and Roberta Jelle, Jeff and Carol Reed, Ronald Rixmann, Wyatt Schmit, Ross Swanson.

Monthly Financial Report for September 2024



Monthly Budget
\$14,375

September Deposits
\$7,716

September Withdrawals
\$9,778

November Birthdays

Dustin Cochran	Taelyn Mattren	Cole Erickson
Britni Iverson	Jack Peterson	Julie Butler
Greg Nichols	Linnea Meyer	Cole White
Edward Strom	DeAnne Ray	Jamie Kulibert
Westin Waskow	Amy Wells	Tom Peterson
Adam Halstead	Ashlyn Backes	Kelly Larson
John Siggins	Megan Meyer	Julia Hills
John Siggins	Hartley Koderick	Randy Potting
Kenneth Kjellberg	Ciara Halstead	Amanda Rudek
	Lori Koller	

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	Greeter	Counters
November	Ellen Smith				
3		Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Erv and Roger
10		Tricia Davis	Tricia Davis	Tricia Davis	Joan and Karen
17		Rachel Erickson	Cherrie Wood	Cherrie Wood	Carol and Joe
24		Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Sharon and Carol
December	Karen Nork				
1		Donnie Kern	Donnie Kern	Donnie Kern	Erv and Roger
8		Rachel Erickson	Sue Strese	Sue Strese	Joan and Sharon
15		Tricia Davis	Tricia Davis	Tricia Davis	John and Sue
18		Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	N/A
22		Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Berit Strom	Carol and Karen
24		Lisa Mevissen	Lisa Mevissen	Lisa Mevissen	N/A
29		Cherrie & Carol	Carol Hokenson	Carol Hokenson	Carol and Joe

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Connection and Community

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 10 am All Saints Sunday Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts Daylight Savings Time Ends	4 Office Closed 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm AA	5 1-3 pm Phase 10 3:30-6:30 pm Election Day Ham Dinner General Election	6 Office open at 1 pm 5-6 pm Dinner Church 6-7 pm Folk Dancing	7 Office Closed 10 am Bible Study 10 am-3 pm River V alley Foot Care	8 9:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters	9 9:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters
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24 10 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts	25 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm AA	26 1-3 pm Phase 10	27 No Evening Activities No School	28 Happy Thanksgiving No School 	29 No School	30

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Council President: Sarah Warren
Accompanist: Beth Hankel
Music Director: Rachel Erickson
Custodian: Roger Hughes
Office Manager: Chris Dubak

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!

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:00 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.

WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

5:00 pm - Meal for Everyone!

5:30 pm - Casual Worship

6 - 7 pm Kid's Choir and Education, Confirmation, and Faith Connections.



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