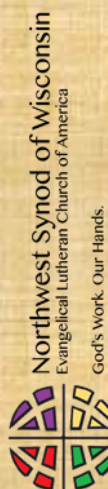


Christ Lutheran Church

October 2024

The FRIEND



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SOMERSET, WI 54025



Community-Wide Event

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 26 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Christ Lutheran Church
510 Germain St. ~ Somerset

Have Fun! Here is what we do ...

- ◆ Kids get dressed up in fun costumes! (nothing seriously scary, please)
- ◆ Adults get dressed up in fun costumes!
- ◆ Decorate your car trunk or truck bed and hand out treats!
- ◆ Park in the upper level lot by 3:30 pm and be ready for the FUN!
- ◆ Hotdogs & chips will be served.
- ◆ Bring food or cash donations for the Community Food Pantry!
- ◆ We also invite local businesses, nonprofits and organizations to set up their trunk/ games/table for our community to Trunk or Treat in a safe and fun location!

EVERYONE can be a part of this community-wide event!

Please try to RSVP your vehicle participation to CLC at christluthsom@somtel.net
or the church office at 715.247.3341

ELECTION DAY HAM DINNER

Tuesday, November 5th

3:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Menu includes:

Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Veggies, Fruit, Desserts

**\$13 ADULTS
\$6 KIDS (5-12)**

**\$12 SENIORS
FREE (UNDER 5)**

**For the mission and ministry of WELCA
WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
FUNDED BY A THRIVENT ACTION TEAM**

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
510 Germain Street, Somerset**



Faith Reflections

by Pastor Jeff Smith

“What is Stewardship?”

Dear Partners in Ministry,

First time visitors to a Lutheran congregation might be confused by some of our unique vocabulary, such as: Kyrie, Gospel, Sanctus, thy, trespasses, benediction, and stewardship. Could you explain each of them to a newcomer?

If not, I'm sorry I'm only going to explain stewardship today...but who knows, maybe I'll explain the others another time. But as we enter the traditional time for a “fall stewardship” drive, let me give you a definition.

Stewardship is the practice of being generous with the time, talent, and “treasure” (financial resources) God provides each of us.

I would add it caring for the earth and using its resources responsibly and as sustainably as possible as well.

Christ Lutheran doesn't have an active Stewardship Team, so I'm not sure if a formal “stewardship campaign” will happen this fall. Hopefully we'll at least get you a pledge card, but for now, let me say this:

The ministry of Christ Lutheran Church is 100% funded by the generous gifts of the congregation. Further, our various ministries could not take place without the skills and time of our wonderful volunteers and paid staff. In other words, we NEED you to make ministry happen in this place. The Bible says, “*The Lord loves a cheerful giver.*” While we may sometimes plead, tease, nudge, and coax donations and volunteerism, we truly want you to give of your time, talents, and finances because you WANT to, and because you WANT to make sure faith is passed on to the next generation, and because you WANT to give back to God what God has first given you, and because you WANT to be part of creating God's kingdom of love and grace here on earth, and because you WANT to find meaning in life through loving your neighbor as part of our ministry.

So take some time to pray these next few weeks and then give of yourself, your time, and of your finances as generously as you are able. Thanks in advance for generously giving to the ministry of this congregation so that we might continue to share with Somerset and beyond that God loves this world deeply and offers us an abundant life now and eternally.

Blessings,

~Pastor Jeff



Rachel Erickson has been a member of the Christ Lutheran Church community since 2010. She currently serves on the Worship Committee and is our Music Director. Rachel enjoys leading the Adult Choir and Children's music during the school year and leading the congregation in song during the worship services year round. She has also been taking care of the livestream each Sunday and the Wednesday services during Lent season. Rachel is a choral and general music teacher at Somerset Middle School and can be found directing a summer children's musical through the school district during the month of July.

Rachel loves making music with people of all ages at Christ Lutheran! She especially loves sharing the Word of God and her faith through children's music time on Wednesdays with her guitar and the piano. She also feels blessed to lead the Adult Choir members as they share laughter and their musical talents to create faith-filled music for our congregation.



JOIN US FOR A BENEFIT FOR

TJ SIROVATKA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 4 - 8 PM

General Sam's
Somerset, WI

- ✔ Food & Drinks
- ✔ Gun Raffle
- ✔ Silent Auction and much more!

JOIN THE
SIROVATKA
SQUAD!



Thomas J. Sirovatka (TJ), a 47-yr-old husband, father, and retired law enforcement officer of 20 years, was first diagnosed with Stage 3 GE Junction cancer in September 2023. A surgery soon followed in December 2023 to remove the cancer, which was successful. BUT he later found that the cancer had already spread to the liver in March 2024 (Stage 4), and mostly recently, in July 2024 to both lungs as well. Prognosis is terminal.

Other ways to help:

- Bring donations to First National Community Bank - Sirovatka Squad
- Venmo: @Thomas-Sirovatka
- Mail donations to TJ Sirovatka
2132 80th Street
Somerset, WI 54025
- Follow his journey on Facebook: Sirovatka Squad

NOT JUST A Pumpkin Display

OCTOBER
25, 26, 27
6PM-9PM

300+ UNIQUELY
CARVED
PUMPKINS

Family friendly event!

*FOOD DRIVE FOR THE SOMERSET COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY
*BONFIRE
*LIVE MUSIC SATURDAY WITH RAZZ 6- 9PM

698 200TH AVE SOMERSET WI 54025

Somerset Fire Department CHILI Cook off

Thursday
October 10th

At the Somerset Fire Department During the Fire Prevention Open House 5pm- 7pm

CASH PRIZE!

Cash Prize will be based on number of entries
\$10 TO ENTER | One recipe per entry
register at the somersetfirerescue.com under the contact us tab, further information will be sent upon receiving your communication!

Somerset Fire Department
748 Main St.

JOIN US!

FOR BURGER NIGHT @ BRISTOL
OCTOBER 16TH, FROM 3:30 TO 8:00 PM
BRISTOL RIDGE GOLF COURSE

RAFFLE 50/50 RAFFLE FROM 6-8 PM

1 BURGER BASKET = \$2 DONATION TO SMSF

You Are Invited To BOO BASH

Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary
GAMES, CANDY, CRAFTS AND FUN FOR ALL AGES!
WE WILL BE ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

OCT 19 2024

TIME: 1:00 PM - TIME: 3:00 PM
AMERICAN LEGION POST 111
Hot dogs and chips will be provided by the Sons of the American Legion

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember that Sunday Worship Service begins at 10 am.

This is our 10th year hosting trunk or treat! We need volunteers to make this fun event a success. Whether you can host a trunk, cook and serve food, or prepare games, we need you! The event will be held October 26th from 4-6 pm, but we cannot host it without volunteers! Please contact the church office asap or sign up in the Narthex. Let's make this the best one yet!

Dinner Church is in full swing and we need volunteers to sign up to cook and serve the evening meal. Pick a week and a buddy or two. Sign up on the list on the fridge or contact the church office. We usually feed between 15-30 people. Receipts may be submitted to the office for reimbursement. We greatly appreciate help with this important ministry!

9th grade confirmation meets every Sunday from 6-8 pm, beginning September 22nd. The students are preparing for their Affirmation of Baptism on October 27th.

Our Wednesday evening activities are back! Faith, food and fun for all ages! This year will feature additional youth activities.

5:00 pm - Meal 5:30 pm - Casual Worship

6:00 - 7:00 pm Confirmation, Children's Choir, JK-GR 6 Education, and Faith Connections. Invite your friends, family and neighbors. Dinner Church is open to everyone in the community!

Education Registration forms are available on CLC's website:

<https://somersetlutheran.org/childrens-education/>

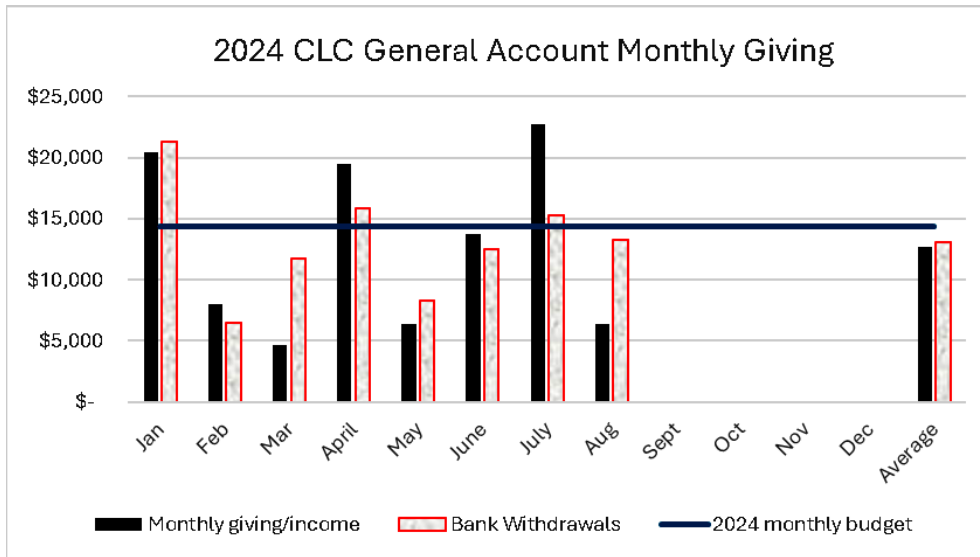
Please hold these dear friends in prayer: Tom Sirovatka, Glen Roepke, Marya, Stephen Peterson, Tami, Robin Knutson, Tom and June Boyer, Eric Grant, Gary Grant, Paul H, Scott and Sue Hovet, Curt Hughes, Vern and Roberta Jelle, Bill Neuman, Jeff and Carol Reed, Ronald Rixmann, Wyatt Schmit, Ross Swanson,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

We are incredibly saddened to announce the passing of long-time church member Janice Kjellberg. Janice, who was 82, died September 24th. She will be greatly missed.



Sincere condolences to the family of Glen Roepke, who left this world on September 28th. We are very sorry for your loss.

Monthly Financial Report for August 2024



Monthly Budget
\$14,375

July Deposits
\$22,764
July Withdrawals
\$15,297

August Deposits
\$6,349
August Withdrawals
13,248

October Birthdays

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| Michael Gomez | Travis Kjellberg | Evan Backes |
| Lyle Halverson | Dylan Mitchell | Antonio Gomez |
| Alicia Page | Mercedes Nichols | Eric Mattren |
| Gretchen Westphal | Tommy Smith | Jeremie Rudek |
| Sarah Warren | William Dressel | Lisa Mevissen |
| Tristan Mohn | Claire Rivard | Torsten Strom |
| Joseph Dubak | Jeffrey Justesen | Tommy Kunze |
| Jacob Hutter | Deja Ray | Sophia Nichols |
| Grace Metzger | Jamie Rushton | Karen Nork |
| William Monteith | Laura Wells | Ryan Slogar |
| Joshua Neuberger | Kenneth Metzger | |
| Vickie Grygienc | Alexander Dubak | |
| | Eric Atkins | |

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
October	Sue Strese				
6		Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	Kevin Noeldner	Erv and Roger
13		Cherrie Wood	Carol Hokenson	Cherrie Wood	Sharon and Joe
20		Sharon Swanson	Carol Hokenson	Sharon Swanson	Carol and Karen
27		Donnie Kern/Confirmands	Donnie Kern	Donnie Kern	John and Sue
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

October 2024

Connection and Community

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Office Closed 1-3 pm Phase 10	2 FMSC Event 4-7:30 pm - Grab and Go Meal No Dinner Church	3 10 am Bible Study 10 am-3 pm River Valley Foot Care	4	5
6 10 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts 6-8 pm Confirmation	7 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	8 1-3 pm Phase 10	9 5-7 pm Dinner Church and Education	10 10 am Bible Study	11 9:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters	12 9:00 am- Midnight - CLC Crafters
13 10 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts 6 pm Confirmation	14 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	15 1-3 pm Phase 10	16 4 pm Council 5-7 pm Dinner Church and Education	17 10 am Bible Study 10 am-3 pm River Valley Foot Care	18 Confirmation Retreat No School	19 Confirmation Retreat
20 10 am Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts End Confirmation Retreat	21 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts No School	22 1-3 pm Phase 10	23 5-7 pm Dinner Church and Education 6 pm Confirmation Rehearsal & Pictures	24 10 am Bible Study	25	26 4-6 pm Trunk or Treat 
27 10 am Reformation/ Confirmation/ Worship 4-6 pm Girl Scouts	28 9 am Quilting 7 pm Boy Scouts	29 1-3 pm Phase 10	30 5-7 pm Dinner Church and Education	31 10 am Bible Study 		

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Sharing God's Love with Hearts and Hands

Christ Lutheran Church
SOMERSET, WISCONSIN

Contacts for CLC

Church Address: PO Box 123
510 Germain Street - Somerset, WI 54025

Church Office: 715.247.3341

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 11 am - 4 pm

Pastor Jeff Smith: clcsomersetpastor@gmail.com

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.



E-mail: christluthsom@somtel.net



Website: <https://somersetlutheran.com>



[CLC YouTube Channel](#)



<https://www.facebook.com/ChristLutheranSomerset>

