

DISCIPLEGRAM

November/December 2021

MAKING DISCIPLES WHO SHARE THE LOVE
OF JESUS CHRIST IN THESE COMMUNITIES
AND WITH PEOPLE EVERYWHERE

“Church” on Sunday Night?

When you think of “church”, you likely think of the place you come to on Sunday morning for an hour or two. Depending on where you grew up or what denominations you have been a part of in the past, you might think of more than an hour or two on Sunday morning. For you, church might include Sunday morning services as well as Wednesday evening services every week of the year. (Yes, some Christians go to church on Wednesday even when it’s not Advent or Lent.) You might have even gone to church services on an almost daily basis. For some, “church” is only on Sundays, but it’s a whole-day event that includes services, education time, meals, and more.

I’ve actually been told recently by someone that they were used to a number of hours at church in the morning every Sunday morning, then a break in the afternoon, and then back together for more “church” Sunday evening—and they loved it! It was a needed break from the week’s busyness, it included family and friends, and was focused around God’s community in God’s word.

That’s actually a big part of our approach to our Youth & Family ministries here at Christ Our Savior. We call it Youth & Family Night. Every Sunday evening at 5:00 pm, anywhere from 40 to 70 people get together for food, friends, family,

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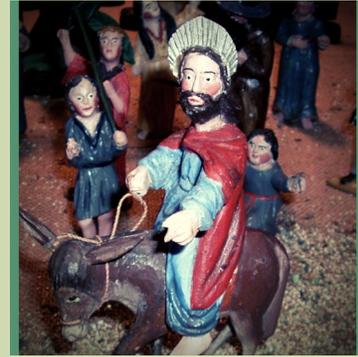
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fun, and fellowship centered around God's word. The food is prepared by volunteers who love cooking; the friends and family find a community bigger than them; the fun revives the mind; and the fellowship around God's word revives the soul. We don't do it perfectly, of course, but our youth and families are growing as Jesus' disciples in this setting.

Youth & Family Night isn't the only place where members (and guests) of Christ Our Savior grow as Jesus' disciples, of course, but it's relatively new, so we wanted to remind you of it. The target audience is families with children anywhere from 1st to 12th grade, but anyone is welcome. We have youth group for the youth, a parents group for the parents, a young adult group for young adults, and babysitting for the babies. (Makes sense; right?)

God calls us to be in community together. It's a given. We need Jesus for our faith and salvation but we need each other so that we can constantly be reminded of and encouraged by what Jesus has done for us. Youth & Family Night at Christ Our Savior is one way to be in Christian community. Yep: "church" on Sunday night!

Life of Christ Wood Carvings Update



This is a note to apprise you of the current status of the Life of Christ Pageant. Plans and activities had been going well for the November 14th dedication and ribbon cutting of the display at Historic Trinity in Detroit. However, it looks like the pandemic devastating delivery dilemma has hit us too.

The company building the display cabinets has informed us that they cannot be completed until at least November 19, 2021. Even then, that is no guarantee and requires a change of plans including a longer period of time. Given these events, a very busy church calendar through the end of the year, and the state of everything going on, the reschedule date for presentation of the carvings is April 3, 2022 (the Sunday before Palm Sunday and Holy week.) Actually, this is a great time to present this display as it will be part of Christ's Easter Resurrection celebration that proclaims the hope and assurance of the Gospel message.

Again, please accept our sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation for your generous support to make this new home for the pageant possible; your willingness to provide time and effort to seek out and provide information to chronicle the "journey" of the carvings, and your interest, prayers, and encouragement to bring this unique Gospel presentation to many more people, now and in the future.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information. On behalf of the Graupner family and the staff of Historic Trinity we wish all the best to you and your family for a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Sincerely,
Ron Meyer

Featured
Ministry

Quilts for LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Ministry over four decades

If you take a look back through the history of Christ Our Savior, it's easy to notice the changes. Building additions, different pastors and music directors, or congregation members who have come and gone stand out in our minds. The aspects that have stayed the same, that connect our congregation today to the church that was founded in 1976, sometimes get overlooked. But there are still pieces of our congregation that have been around since the beginning, living pieces of our history. One of those activities is a dedicated group of ladies who gather at the church and use their time and skills to make quilts.

The group was originally started by Hilda Lentz shortly after our congregation was formed in 1976. Back then they cut and assembled quilts on the floor of the gym, quite literally back-breaking work!

Over the years, the group has changed as members came and went, as different spaces were used and even as world events (such as the recent pandemic) impacted their schedule. But for over four decades nothing has been able to stop this feisty group of women! You can still find them at the church on Tuesday mornings from



10:30 to 2:00, every other Monday evening at 6:30 p.m., and once a month on Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Over the years, they have organized a system that starts with donated fabric and carries the quilt through many hands before it is finished. Each person in the group has a different role to play, from sorting the material into patterns, cutting the material into the correct sizes, sewing the squares together to tying the layers of the quilt together. This is a process that has been perfected over time, and our quilters are able to finish six to eight quilts a week.

The finished quilts are donated to Lutheran World Relief, an organization which then ships them around the world to give comfort and support to those in need. Quilts have gone to refugees fleeing from war zones as well as victims of natural disasters. They address tangible physical needs, providing something to keep warm at night or protection from the elements during the day. Through this ministry, our quilters are able to help the most needy and vulnerable in our society. Diana Krupinski, the current leader of the group, started recording how many quilts were delivered to Lutheran World Relief in 1991. That year, 108 quilts were made and donated. That number has slowly grown, and in 2018, 321 quilts were boxed and shipped. The COVID-19 pandemic certainly disrupted the flow of quilting, but our quilters still made and shipped off 189 quilts this year. They are back and already working hard on the next batch of quilts to be donated!

The quilters gather for more than just work—it's an opportunity to socialize and fellowship as well. On Tuesday everyone brings their lunch which they eat together, and snacks and coffee are provided as well. There are Christmas luncheons and birthday parties—the ladies who come every week share in the highs and lows of each others' lives, and enjoy spending time with each other as much

as the work.

The quilters always welcome new members to their group! You don't have to be an experienced seamstress or quilter to join—the group is happy to show you the ropes and there is plenty to do for those who have no experience with a sewing machine. Give Diana Krupinski (734.716.2156) a call if you're interested in joining the group. If you're looking for other ways to help, they also welcome donations of fabric. Pieces of patterned cotton fabric can be used for the quilt tops, and sheets of any color, size or condition can be used for insides or backing. They ask that you wash all the fabric ahead of time, but other than that they will happily accept whatever fabric you have!

You can learn more about the Tuesday group by talking to Diana Krupinski. Dianne Sherman (734.812.5172) organizes the group that meets on Mondays and Saturdays. Walk by the Lutheran World Relief bulletin board (next to the library door) to read more about their work and how the quilts are distributed throughout the world. The work with Lutheran World Relief also involves School Kits and Personal Care Kits, which our congregation assembles and donates. You can read more about the ministry of Lutheran World Relief on their website (lwr.org).

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Front row, L-R: Hilda Lentz, Ethel Tweedie, Florence Crankee
Back Row, L-R: Betty Sablacan, Caroline Kaegi, Darlene, Caroline, Myrtie Hornick, Lee Rogge



Above: Marlene Albright at the ironing board
Left: Alice Geletzke at the sewing machine

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The Chrismon Trees



Have you ever taken a close look at the Christmas trees up by the altar? The two trees to the right and left of the altar are covered with ornaments called *chrismons*, which represent various symbols of Christianity passed down through the centuries. The word *chrismon* comes from a combination of the words *Christ* and *monogram*, and we use them year after year to proclaim the name, life, and saving acts of Jesus, the Christ.

All chrismons are white and gold in color. White is the liturgical color for Christmas representing innocence and purity. The color gold proclaims the glory and majesty of God. The evergreen trees which serve as the background for the chrismons represent eternal life, which our Savior won for us.

The chrismon pictured here is called the Iota Eta Sigma cross. IHS, or sometimes IHC, comes from the first three letters of Jesus' name in Greek, ΙΗΣΟΥΣ (or in letters we would recognize: IHCOYC). The scribes who copied the New Testament quickly developed a way to abbreviate and highlight the names of God throughout the text. This served to draw your attention to God's name, and it also saved space on expensive parchment.

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21

There is a brochure located in the narthex with an explanation for each of the chrismons we use on our trees. Grab one to read at home and learn more about what the Phoenix has to do with Christmas, why a chariot of fire hangs on the tree, or why the symbols alpha and omega come up so frequently in Christian designs. We hope that these chrismons will make your celebration of Christmas more meaningful with emphasis upon God's great gift to the world, His Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Christmas Poinsettias



The celebration of Christmas brings special thoughts to all in different ways. While many people think of our special loved ones at Christmas, others want to express their thankfulness for all of the blessings God has bestowed upon them. What better way to announce these thoughts by purchasing a Poinsettia plant(s) this holiday season to help decorate our altar. The price per plant will be \$9.60 for a 7½" potted plant. Poinsettia order form envelopes are available at the Welcome Center. Checks are payable to: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church.

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS WILL BE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12th.

Completed envelopes should be placed in Cheryl Moldenhauer's mail box. You can either pick your plant up after service on December 25th, or you may beautify the church by leaving the plant on the altar.

Church Extension Fund Stamp Program

Our "Stamp Savers" is a great way to teach children how to save and the responsibility to help build churches and Christian schools. Children can purchase 25 cent and one dollar Savings Stamps which are allowed to accumulate until they can open a \$25.00 Dedicated Savings Account. Consider giving stamps as a gift this Christmas season! For more information, stop by and talk to Bob and Barb Moldenhauer at the Church Extension Fund table in the narthex.

Let Us Know How You'd Like to Receive the Disciplegram
If you would like to receive an electronic version of this newsletter, email Alyssa Anders at alyssaa@christoursavior.org . Include your preferred email address and the current mailing address where you receive the Disciplegram newsletter.

Meet Our New Members



Kirsten Galka joined our congregation this October and she is a regular attender of the Wednesday morning Adult Bible class as well as Sunday morning church services. She is a life long Lutheran and almost all of those years were with the ELCA. She joined Christ Our Savior due to the fact that she and her husband like the church and appreciate the services here. They have three grown children. She works as a registered nurse.



Sue and Dave Hoffmeister: Hello COS. It feels good being back after 14 years. We came to Michigan 45 years ago when I transferred from Cleveland with Ford. We moved to Plymouth Canton where we raised our sons, Brian and Michael. We

joined Risen Christ, then transferred to Christ Our Savior in 2000. We've both been active in choir and handbells, with Sue directing the bells for a short time. I also sang with Detroit Lutheran Singers. My job was as a Human Factors engineering specialist before taking an early retirement buyout in 2007. Not ready to stop working, I found a job with similar responsibilities at Baxter Healthcare in north suburban Chicago. I spent an additional 8½ years evaluating medical devices before retiring again.

Sue and I greatly enjoy reading and traveling. We divide our time between Michigan with Mike's family, wife Melissa, children Camden and McKinley and Albuquerque, NM with Brian's family, wife Kate and son Benjamin. We have a place there where we spend several months each year. Being in NM has allowed us to leisurely tour the west and visit many National Parks and Monuments.



Susan Schade: I am a mom of three adult sons. I live and work in Livonia and have been a hair stylist for twenty years. I enjoy doing outdoor activities like camping, bike riding, nature walks and bonfires. Christmas and winter are my favorite times of the year. I also enjoy attending Christian music concerts. I am

thankful for my faith in God and my journey that continues to strengthen my relationship with Him.



Charles and Celia Weidendorf have been visiting our congregation for several years, and finally decided to officially join. Charles was a life-long member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Detroit, but after they closed the Weidendorf's started looking for a new church home. After visiting several churches in

the metro Detroit area, they decided to join Christ Our Savior because our church felt most like home. There were several familiar faces that they recognized from Holy Cross, including Bill Bryant (a bowling buddy of Charles') and Liz Williams (the daughter of one of the pastors at Holy Cross). Charles and Celia have four children: Bill, Karen, Barbara and Donna. Celia enjoys reading and makes frequent trips to the library, and Charles enjoys playing tennis several times a week, indoor or outdoor as the weather permits. They spend the coldest winter months in southern Alabama, and have done so for many years. Charles was a real estate broker for 50 years, and now enjoys his retirement.



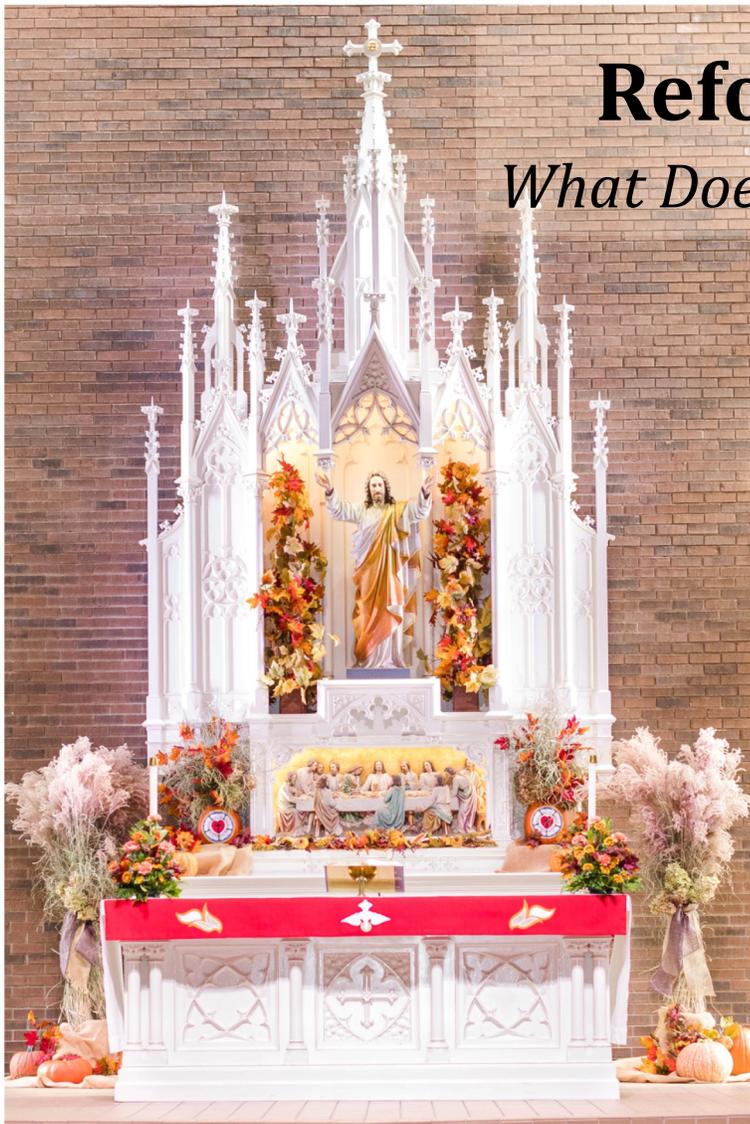
Joyce Jaffke: I live in Livonia with my daughter. I have five children, twelve grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. I was a registered nurse for 45 years working in Battle Creek hospitals. I visit my out of town families frequently. I love spending time with the little ones. I am truly blessed.

We also welcomed another member through the Rite of Confirmation.

Benjamin Zurek was confirmed in a private ceremony on November 7, 2021. His parents are David and Linda Zurek. Because of health issues over the past few years, he wasn't able to be confirmed with his class, but he has been feeling better recently and was able to take this important step. Through the pandemic, his faith has continued to grow through Bible studies on zoom.

His confirmation verse was John 14:27: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."





Reformation Day

What Does Church Mean to You?

The concept of church can be understood in many different ways and in many different contexts. But over the past year and a half, we've especially come to understand that church is also about building community. Community involves engaging with fellow believers at their best and at their worst, worshiping together on Sunday mornings and then going out and learning from one another throughout the week. It means forgiveness and discussion, and encouragement when we feel we are at our weakest. As we are slowly able to come back together, we once again can participate in this community. And despite the year and a half of quarantines, physical distancing requirements, and limits on gatherings, we rejoice that we can still find community with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Our Reformation Day celebrations were a beautiful reminder of the community we have at COS. The service was full of the joy and fanfare that we expect to mark the official birthday of the Lutheran Church. Choirs and instrumentalists shared their gifts to help make this a festive occasion. In addition to the service with the music that we know and love, the sermon reminded us to take a closer look at what Reformation means for us now. Following the service there was an event planned to gather the congregation together for food and fellowship. The dinner was catered by Rocky's, all traditional German foods (it was Reformation Day after all!). The gym was full of members who were able to sit and chat with each other or even meet someone new. In the spirit of community, we invited members from the congregations in our area, and several tables were full of visitors who came to celebrate Reformation Day with us. There was also a game of Reformation Trivia! Overall, the atmosphere was friendly and refreshing as we re-established connections and continued to build our community.

Several of our members shared their experiences from Reformation Day.

On Reformation Day we celebrate the moment when Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses on the door of the castle church in Wittenberg. His bold action in 1517 eventually led to the start of the Lutheran Church, and many years later our own congregation in Livonia opened its doors to carry on this heritage.

In the year 2021, we face much different challenges than Martin Luther did in the 1500s. In our world today, what does church mean? We gather on Sundays at church—it's a building. We sing praises to God, receive His gifts and learn from his Word—church is also worship. We look out beyond our own community and see Christians from all ethnicities and languages worshipping our God and we understand that "church" is a Body of Believers from around the world and throughout history.

Jen Kuszynski volunteered to head up the organization and preparation for the event. She was well-suited to the task, and took on the decorations, food choices, program ideas, and invitations with an expert hand. She gave her perspective on the event: "I think it was a success because it has been such a difficult year and we need relationship. We missed a lot of those relationships since Covid started and it's time to get those back. COS is about relationships, our relationship with the Lord and with each other. Since I have never organized an event like this before at COS, I wasn't sure how it was going to be successful. But by putting our trust and faith in the Lord to provide and having a wonderful group of members to help get it organized, it was a success. To God be the Glory! As it says in Romans 8:28, 'And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for this who are called according to his purpose.'"



Pastor Davenport and Jen Kuszynski

Andrew MacAfee and his wife Hannah have been members of Christ Our Savior since 2018. They are active in our church's music ministry, and you might remember hearing them sing special music at one of the services. Andrew shared: "The Reformation dinner was a wonderful opportunity to stay and chat with people that I don't normally get to talk to. Usually on Sundays, you might have a few minutes to greet each other in the hallways before or after a service, but otherwise you only really get to interact with the people in the groups you participate in. I would love to see events like this become more commonplace at COS, perhaps even in more of a potluck form."

Jim Colwell and his family are long time members of COS and his wife, Shari, serves on the Church Council. They also joined us for the Reformation service and fellowship and they brought guests with them. In Jim's words, "I was a little anxious bringing my wife's very Polish Catholic aunts to our 'Reformation' Service. I had no reason to be, they both very much enjoyed the service, the dinner, and the warmth of our congregation. Thank You to all involved in making this special service and dinner, and Glory to the Lord and Savior."



Victory Brass

Tom Brunner, his wife Becky and their two daughters have attended COS since 1999. They have seen and taken part in much of the life at our church, and they were also present for the Reformation Day festivities. Tom had this to say: "Reformation Sunday was wonderful. Since the covid lockdowns, it has taken some time to get normal back. The special reformation service felt like old normal again. The sanctuary was filled with congregants from several churches. The brass and choir sounded amazing, especially when accompanied by a flutist that I know." He continues:

The great meal that was provided for free after the service not only nourished our bodies but also gave us all a chance to socialize again and celebrate God's free gift of Jesus to us. There was conversation and there were games. I'd like to thank all of the service participants and all the volunteers who arranged the meal for their time and effort. Those of us that were there had a wonderful time.



Festival Choir

Of course, we plan our day on Sunday around church. We regularly attend the youth and family night not just for the fellowship that we experienced at the Reformation celebration but also for the great free food.

Our family missed normal. Thank you for the chance to have that back in our lives, and thank you to everybody at COS for coming back and being part of the community of believers together again.

So Happy Reformation Day to you all! May the spirit of community and fellowship continue past this season and into the future—regardless of whatever challenges this world might throw at us!



Dinner in the gym

Blessed to Be a Blessing

May we during this Thanksgiving season be mindful of all the wonderful and amazing blessings that come from God. Because God gives, we receive, and then we can give. Interestingly, in giving, we receive even more. Jesus said, *"It is more blessed to give than to receive"* (Acts 20:35).

God is a loving, gracious and giving God. *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life"* (John 3:16). Through His Word and Sacraments, God provides:

- His grace that gives us this life and life eternal.
- His love that didn't spare His only Son.
- His forgiveness.
- His victory over sin and death.

In spite of our unworthiness and our sinful ways, God blesses us physically and spiritually. He promises never to leave us or forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). God promises that, when we

draw near to Him, He will draw near to us (James 4:8). He loves us unconditionally. God gives and keeps on giving. Because Jesus gives us His love, grace, and goodness, we are enabled to be loving and giving people. *"We love because He first loved us"* (1 John 4:19). All love comes from God. We are enabled to love only because we have received His love.

God's Word clearly directs us to use the blessings we receive from Him to bless others. We are blessed to be a blessing. In Christ's name, we are to clothe the naked, feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, and help the sick (Matthew 25:35-36). God blesses us not only to take care of our needs; He blesses us so that we can use what we receive to bless others. Paul wrote *"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith"* (Galatians 6:10). Paul's words to the church in Corinth and to us. *"You will be made rich in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God"* (2 Cor. 9:11).

At Christ Our Savior, we have a number of opportunities to reach out and be a blessing to those around us.



CHRISTmas Blessings 2021: For the last seven years Christ Our Savior has taken on the wonderful task of collecting and handing out "baskets of food" for those in need. As the years have gone by, the project has grown (praise God!) and the Christ Our Savior congregation has discovered how valuable this outreach program has been for families in the community. We are now working on year number eight! The overall goal is to help

individuals in our community with food insecurity. But, most importantly, to let them know God cares and we care. CHRISTmas Blessings is an amazing outreach project, and we would love for you to help!

This year with Covid-19 protocols still in flux we will once again hold the event outdoors. Attendees will be guided through the parking lot, and we will transfer the generous CHRISTmas Blessings bins into the family vehicles. How wonderful! The committee is also brainstorming other ways to safely interact and connect with the families who attend CHRISTmas Blessings.

Members of the congregation sign up to participate in CHRISTmas Blessings by contacting Linda Hollman (see info below) or signing up at church; then, you can pick up an empty black bin (between November 28 and December 12). You will also be given an envelope with a \$50 Meijer gift card to purchase groceries, a list of grocery ideas, a Christmas card to personalize the CHRISTmas Blessing bin you and your family created, and a Christian witness booklet. Then

head to Meijer, collect your groceries and pay for them with your gift card. Once back home, pack your CHRISTmas Blessings bin and follow the instructions included with the gift card. Bring the filled covered bin back to the church gym the week of December 13, no later than Friday, December 17.

Do you know someone, personally, that you would like to deliver a CHRISTmas Blessings bin to? We encourage you to share these blessings with them as well! You are welcome to personally deliver a bin to someone you know in need.

We know many of you are looking for a way to help and we are hoping this program speaks to you. Join us in filling and distributing over two hundred bins full of CHRISTmas Blessings! We would appreciate volunteers to help set up, distribute, etc., on the CHRISTmas Blessings day, December 18. We can always use more hands to help! May the Lord guide you in your decision to participate in the 2021 CHRISTmas Blessings Program! Please reach out to Linda Hollman if you have any questions or would like to help by email: linda@christoursavior.org or by phone: 734-522-6830.



Sponsor a Child from Family of God: In past years, our church has participated in Gifts for All God's Children, a program which allowed members of the congregation to sponsor needy children in the area by purchasing Christmas gifts for them. This Christmas season we

are hoping to meet the same needs but also build a direct connection to those receiving the gifts by working with the pastors from Family of God. We asked you to contact Pastor Cronkright if you were interested in sponsoring a child of family from their congregation and, Praise God, all of the families and children have been matched with someone! Please deliver wrapped gifts to the church office by December 19 or personally to Family of God (contact Pastor Cronkright to arrange a time).

You can be a blessing to our Youth Group by participating in their **Homemade Christmas cards fundraiser**. The Youth are raising money to attend the LCMS Youth Gathering next year. Cards will be available on December 5, 12, & 19. Various styles and designs can be selected, and free-will donations will be accepted. The cards have been graciously handmade and donated by a member of the congregation, and all donations will go directly to the cost of the trip for our youth.

And more!

There are many other ways to bless others: get involved with our homebound ministry by writing a friendly note, invite a friend to a Community Connections event (there's one coming up in January!), or grab a Prayer Planner from the narthex and use it as a guide to spend more time each day talking to God. Depending on your gifts and talents, you might consider joining one of the music groups to enhance our worship, or investigate the quilters who assemble quilts to help those in need around the world. Whether we are involved with an event at COS or not, may we strive to be a blessing to others in all of our interactions and activities!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the school totes for Lutheran World Relief! Despite a late start and all the challenges this year presented us, we were able to assemble 228 tote bags full of school supplies to be used by children in need.

In the process of assembling the totes, we used a Thrivent action grant and were given Thrivent T-shirts. We have some leftover T-Shirts and if anyone would like one, just ask me (Dianne Sherman)!

Also, the James' small group will be sponsoring a Giving Tree again this year. The items purchased will support the AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center and the Luke Clinic, among other ministries. More information will be coming soon about how you can participate and be a blessing in this way.

Dianne Sherman

THANK YOU!



Thank you very much to the congregation for all the prayers and good wishes that you gave us all summer. We rejoice that Bob is in remission, but ask that the prayers keep coming!

Bob & Barb Moldenhauer



Thank you!

Dear COS Family

Thank you for your notes, cards, calls and prayers. Your encouragement has been a blessing to me and my family.

In Christ,
Noreen Lenardon

52 Week Bible Reading Plan

Have you ever wanted to read through the entire Bible? This Bible reading plan makes that possible by breaking down the monumental task into small daily chunks. The

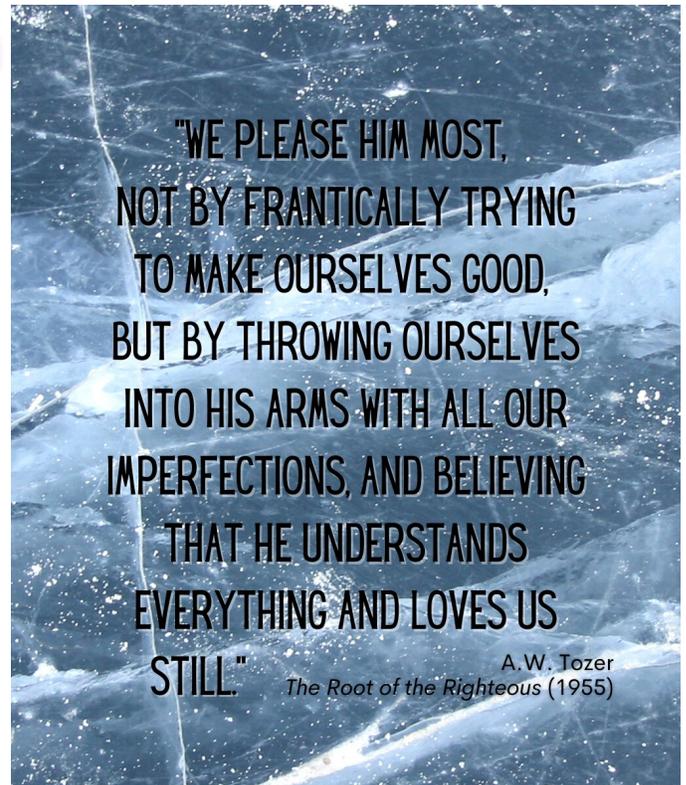
plan gives a selection from a different style of Biblical literature for each day of the week. You can start using the plan now, or save it for the new year!

<i>Week</i>	Epistles <i>(Sunday)</i>	The Law <i>(Monday)</i>	History <i>(Tuesday)</i>	Psalms <i>(Wednesday)</i>	Poetry <i>(Thursday)</i>	Prophecy <i>(Friday)</i>	Gospels <i>(Saturday)</i>
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Sharon Priebe	Music Ministry	Harry & Elaine Flagg
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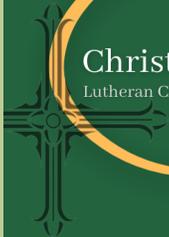
Food For Thought



The Lighter Side

- Q: What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?** A: It's Christmas, Eve!
- Q: How does Moses make his coffee?** A: Hebrews it.
- Q: Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?** A: When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.
- Q: Where is the first baseball game in the Bible?** A: In the big inning. Eve stole first, Adam stole second. Cain struck out Abel. The Giants and the Angels were rained out.
- Q: Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?** A: Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone was in liquidation.
- Q: Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?** A: Samson. He brought the house down.

Christ Our Savior
Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod



Jesus

THE REAL GIFT FOR US THIS CHRISTMAS

Midweek Advent Services

December 1, 8 and 15
Midday Services hosted by St. Paul
(Northville) at 12:00 p.m.
Dinners at 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship Services at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24
Service of Holy Communion
at 5:00 p.m.
Worship Service at 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Day

Saturday, December 25
Service of Holy Communion
at 10:00 a.m.

New Years Eve

Friday, December 31
Service of Holy Communion
at 7:00 p.m.