

# **The Crusader**

Christ Lutheran Church  
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8:30 am Praise Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship



# **JUNE 2022**

**Pastor's Portion**  
**June**

With each situation with my illness; I have discovered that I can rely less and less on things being predictable or explainable. The only thing I can depend on is that God is with me. I do get discouraged and frustrated, and yet I know that God will never leave me nor forsake me. Things never have to go my way, but will always go the way He desires. I am certain that God loves me and will always give His best for me. I will not give up, but I am learning to give in.

Michelle & I want to thank you all for the visits, cards, texts, phone calls, and the delicious meals that you have provided for us. We are truly blessed!

Blessings to you all,

Pastor Dave



## **LWML Mission Highlight**

### **NATIONAL GRANT**

Redeeming Life Maternity Home, Illinois Expansion — Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries - \$50,000 still owed Redeeming Life currently operates maternity and transitional homes in Central Florida for single pregnant women who are homeless, abused, and/or at-risk of abortion. It is a proven model. This grant will help Redeeming Life support a called deaconess to serve in a new location in the Chicagoland area. Additionally, the funds will help offset the costs, during the first two years, of operating a safe and stable home (rent, utilities, food) and provide program services for the women to be served. Redeeming Life's goal is for their residents to learn to live independently and offers many opportunities for the women to understand that, in Christ, there is forgiveness, peace, and unconditional love.

**Paid/Partial Mission Grants:** No new grants paid.

### **CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT GRANT**

Lutheran Bible Translator, Concordia, MO - \$3,000 Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) is translating the Word of God in the Mbe language, so they can read and understand it in their heart language. The Bible translation process requires necessary equipment, translators, travels and a very tedious process to ensure accuracy. LBT has already translated the Gospel of Luke in Mbe, but the Mbe people desperately want to read more of God's Word. Without the necessary equipment, such as computers, generators, and fuel, the translation work may stop and the Mbe people may never be able to read more of God's Word. The Mbe people do not have the money to pay for the necessary equipment needed.

**Paid/Patrial Mission Grants:** No new grants paid.

**May's Mite Box Collection:** \$472.56

**2022 Mites Collected to Date:** \$2,547.98



## **Christ Lutheran LWML Highlights**

A fun time was had by all that attended the Ladies Night  
Out at Heritage Shores Passwaters.

Thank you to Kathryn Lamberton for the mini devotion  
on dragonflies.

We are looking forward to the Fall when we can have  
more events to get together!

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What's Your 80

This month we would like to collect 80 stuffed toys to be  
donated to our local First Responders (EMT, Police, &  
Firefighters).

The donation box is located at the Welcome Center  
counter.

Thank you in advance for your donations!



will meet NOT meet again until September 12th.

If you should read a good book this summer  
PLEASE share the title with Jean Lohmeyer, Kathryn  
Lamberton, Peggy Gum, Peg Farmer, or Michelle Nuss.

We are always looking for book suggestions!

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### Grass Cutting

CLC is still in need of grass cutters or donations.  
There is a signup sheet in the Narthex. Donations can  
be left in the church office. Checks can be made out to  
Jim Young. Receipts are available. Thanks.

Jim Young

## **FOOD SHELF MONTHLY REPORT**

**3/322 thru 5/6/22**

<b><u>Beginning Balance</u></b>	\$5630.41
<b><u>Income</u></b>	\$600.00
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>	\$844.45
<b><u>Ending Balance</u></b>	\$5385.96

### **Income Detail**

Contribution 3/17	\$150.00
Contribution 3.31	\$290.00
Contribution 4/12	\$100.00
Contribution 4/21	60.00

**\$600.00**

### **Disbursement Detail**

Assist w/ oil/gas	\$150.00
Assist w/ rent	\$180.00
Assist w/ oil/gas	\$138.05
Assist w/ elect	\$139.74
Assist w/ propane	\$150.00
Assist w/elect	\$75.91
Assist w/elect	\$65.41
Assist w/elect	\$80.34

**Total Expense**

**\$844.45**



# Happy Birthday



01 June Tidwell  
 13 Dale Odenwelder  
 13 Eric Stanton  
 14 Dennis Stordahl  
 17 Carin Vermette  
 17 Carol Cozza  
 20 Bill Watkins  
 21 Cathy Young  
 21 Stephanie Scotton  
 22 Roger Schmick  
 23 Lauren Stanton  
 23 Sheri Giordano  
 28 Mildred Kluckman  
 28 Bob Wingate

## June Anniversaries

07 Charles & Margaret Wall  
 17 Dale & Carol Odenwelder  
 23 Jimmy & Cathy Young

## June 2022



June 5	Jim & Judy Bruhn
June 12	Ruth Williams
June 19	Donna Hassman
June 26	Carol & Russ Taylor



## Caring Center



Listening is such an important skill to possess. A good listener is the trait that helps build relationships. A good listener pays attention to what the speaker is saying instead of thinking about what they want to say in response. The person who really wants to hear what you are saying is practicing **empathetic listening**. If they are confused by what you are saying they will **ask questions to help clarify what the speaker is saying**. They **encourage the speaker** to share without judgmental statements. In our Stephen Ministry training we call this **active listening**. It is one of the most important skills we need to develop.

The opposite of **empathetic listening** is **dismissive listening**. The dismissive listener wants to fix you! It's easy to fall into this behavior. The **dismissive listener** says things like:

- It could be worse.
- The same thing happened to me.
- What if you try this?
- You'll be fine.
- Oh, you should read this book.
- I totally get it.

Please try to avoid this when you are listening to a friend.

The caring nature of this congregation is what makes this such a special place to worship and fellowship together. People all around are experiencing life difficulties. We are called to reach out to them, offering Jesus' love and care. As part of that mission, our Stephen Leaders would like to train more Stephen Ministers. Having one care receiver, the Stephen Minister listens without judgment, as well as praying with and encouraging a hurting person. This experience is both rewarding and amazing as you witness the power of sharing the love of Christ.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister please contact:

Aileen Watkins 302-930-7070 or Kathryn Lamberton  
302-841-9622



# *Upcoming Events*

A colorful illustration of two people surfing on a large, yellow, stylized wave. The person in the foreground is wearing a pink shirt and blue pants, while the person behind them is wearing a blue shirt and blue pants. The wave is outlined in blue and has a yellow interior. The background is white.

Friends Supporting Friends - Mondays at 11 am

June 5th and June 19th - Holy Communion at both services

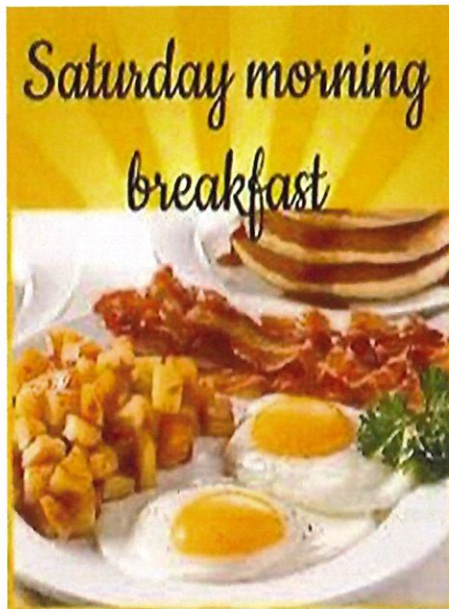
June 5th after 11 am service—Congregational meeting

June 7th@ 3 pm—Lay Ministry Meeting

June 11th@8 am—Breakfast at Stargate Diner

June 11th@6:30 pm—Bunco

June 16th@2:30 pm -Stephen Ministers' Meeting



Saturday, June 11th  
8:00am  
Stargate Diner  
23415 Sussex Hwy  
Seaford, DE 19973

## BSSP June Newsletter Article



BSSP ended its year with a “picnic” on Saturday, May 21st. We played corn hole, a ball toss game, and used our drumsticks before having a picnic lunch. Everyone had a good time as you can see from the photo of all playing corn hole. Thank you to Sue Blum and Christie Butterworth for providing cookies and dessert.

Thank you to all our staff for a good year: Pastor Dave and Michelle Nuss, Carol Harris, Peggy Gum, Dan and Carol Schreffler, Jean and Keith Lohmeyer, Michelle Stubbs, and Doris Farace.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the week of August 1-5, and we look forward to a very fun-filled week.

Leona Tull and Donna Hassman, Co-coordinators

### **BUNCO**

**Starting in June, Bunco will be held every month on the second Saturday of the month. Play will begin at 6:30 pm. At present there is no food to share, but you may bring your own. Please bring a pencil or a pen. Get ready to have some fun!!**

**Doris Farace**

