

Welcome to Worship with Holy Communion



**Bringing Christ To All People
Today And Every Day**

GATHERING TOGETHER

WELCOME - Make a special effort to welcome our visitors!! Christ Lutheran Church is a weapon, smoke, vape and tobacco free church and campus. We share Joys, News, and Concerns.

PRELUDE

We take a quiet moment to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

GATHERING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM - Stand As You Are Able

YOUTH/YOUNG IN SPIRIT MESSAGE

APOSTOLIC GREETING

[P] The grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of GOD our Father, and the communion of The Holy Spirit be with you all!

[C] And also with you!

CONFESSION

[P] Blessed be The Holy Trinity, ✝ One God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper!

[C] Amen!

[P] Trusting in God our Father's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God our Father and of one another!

Silence for reflection and self-examination

[P] Merciful and loving God our Father,

[C] we are your stiff-necked people. At times we trample on your needy people. At times we grumble about your grace to others. At times we turn away from your poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen!

[P] Even when we are faithless, God our Father remains faithful. His Son Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord came into His world to save sinners. We who were lost have been found. In the Holy Name of ✝ Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

[C] Amen!

SHARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[P] Let us pray!

[C] By The Holy Spirit's power, continue to direct us, O Lord God our Father, in all our actions, words and deeds with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your Holy Name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen!

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

P Let us pray!

C Let us pray for all victims of any forms of violence, terror, human trafficking, and all displaced peoples; all victims of ethnic, racial, gender, sexual, political, and religious discrimination and violence; all victims of natural disasters or human made disasters; all victims of war or warlike activity, conflict, oppression and strife including in Gaza, Israel and Ukraine; and for Jesus' Gospel to reach the Hindu Kurmi People in India. Gracious GOD our Father of healing and wholeness, through the power of The Holy Spirit, bring relief in every way you see fit for those impacted by natural disasters, human made disasters, conflicts, persecutions and wars. Empower all peoples to reach out to those impacted through the healing power of Jesus Christ. GOD our Father, ✚ Son and Holy Spirit, we admit our human frailties and recognize we live in a fallen creation. Restore us each and every way as you see fit so that your will is done. In Jesus' Holy Name we pray. Amen!

SCRIPTURE HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

GOSPEL - Stand As You Are Able

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - Stand As You Are Able

P Living together in faith, trust, and hope, let us confess our faith together!

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by The Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in The Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

THE BANQUET

COMMUNION LITURGY

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened His arms to all.

- In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

- Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

- Remembering, therefore, His death, resurrection, and ascension, we await His coming in glory.

- Pour out The Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of The Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever!

C Amen!

LORD'S PRAYER - SING

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the Banquet, for all is now ready!

C Thanks be to God!

All Baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table. We receive His continuing forgiving presence in our lives, along with His mercy, salvation, and promise of eternal life. You are also invited to come forward for a blessing. Pick up a communion wine cup from the cup stand. Receive the host bread from the Communion Assistant and the wine from the Pastor. Tell the Communion Assistant if you prefer gluten-free bread and the Pastor if you prefer grape juice. Return your used cup to the tray from the Communion Assistant.

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

TABLE BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace now and forever!

C Amen!

THE SENDING

BLESSING - SING - Stand As You Are Able

C Blessed be the Name of the Lord; He is worthy to be praised and adored; So we lift up holy hands in one accord, singing, "Blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name of the Lord!" We are Jesus strong! Amen!



SENDING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

FINAL SENDING

P Continue to bring Christ to all people today and everyday! Go in Peace! Share the good news!

C We will with thanks to GOD! Amen!

LESSONS & FINANCIALS

Time After Pentecost, September 21, 2025



Worship Services
with Holy Communion
At 9:00 am & 10:30am

Christ Lutheran Church
15699 SE 80th Avenue
Summerfield, FL 34491
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P.O. Box 693,
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*Bringing Christ To All People Today
And Every Day*

GOSPEL: St. Luke 16:1-13

L Jesus teaches the curious story of a dishonest manager who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why His own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 16th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

L ¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. ¹⁰Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

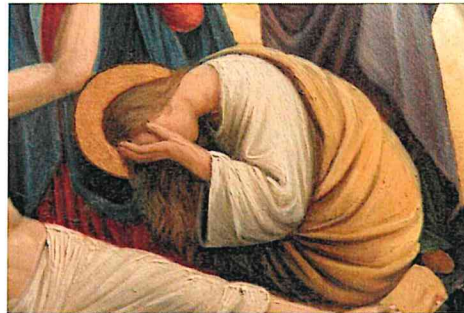
FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 8:18-22, 9:1

L The prophet Jeremiah's primary task as the Lord God's messenger was to announce the terrible destruction that awaited the people of the southern kingdom of Judah and Jerusalem because of their sin. In this lesson, a grief-stricken Jeremiah anguishes over the sadness of that message and weeps for his people.

L ^{8:18}My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. ¹⁹Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") ²⁰"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." ²¹For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. ²²Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? ^{9:1}O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.



Jeremiah weeps for his people.

PSALM: Psalm 79:1-9

Deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your name's sake. (Ps. 79:9)

- ¹O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your ¹holy temple; they have made Jerusalem a ¹heap of rubble.
- ²**They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds ¹of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts ¹of the field.**
- ³They have shed their blood like water on every side ¹of Jerusalem, and there was no one to ¹bury them.
- ⁴**We have become a reproach ¹to our neighbors, an object of scorn and derision to ¹those around us.**
- ⁵How long will you be an- ¹gry, O LORD?
Will your fury blaze like ¹fire forever?
- ⁶**Pour out your wrath upon the nations who ¹have not known you and upon the kingdoms that have not called up- ¹on your name.**
- ⁷For they have de- ¹voured Jacob and made his dwell- ¹ing a ruin.
- ⁸**Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be ¹swift to meet us; for we have been brought ¹very low.**
- ⁹Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory ¹of your name; deliver us and forgive us our sins, ¹for your name's sake.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

L The pastoral epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God our Father has toward us in His Son Jesus.

L ¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all — this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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Christ the mediator

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS for 9/21/25 BULLETIN

	<u>Operating Funds</u>
Balance @ 01/01/25	\$ 90,689
YTD Income	\$ 263,848
YTD Expenses	\$ 255,539
Balance @ 9/14/2025	<u>\$ 98,998</u>

Offering for 9/14/2025	
Operating Fund	\$ 3,695
Loose	\$ 44
Mortgage Fund	\$ 740
Designated Giving:	
- Food For The Poor	\$ 95
- Salvation Army	\$ 45
- Lutheran World Relief	\$ 15
- ELCM Missions	\$ 35
- Fellowship	\$ 1
- Feed My Starving Children	\$ 621
Total Offering	<u>\$ 5,291</u>

FMSC Net Fundraising for 2026 Pack:	\$ 29,743
Mortgage Debt Balance as of 9/15/2025	\$ 815,039
2025 Annual Giving Sustained Increase-31 Giving Units, Total	\$ 31,341
<i>Note: If anyone would like further details on Church financials, please see Barb LeFevre, Treasurer.</i>	

CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS-SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Meetings–Tuesday, September 23–Pastor Dave’s Grief Group–2pm. Michele Harney, 352-307-6900.

Hearing Aid Devices–We have Blue Tooth and T Coil. In case your connection isn’t working we have some really nice headphones you can use. Joe Pence, Facilities Manager, 352-307-6900.

Feed My Starving Children–The net proceeds collected to date are \$29,743 towards our January 2026 goal of \$35,000 goal. Mark Ferrera, FMSC Chair, 407-616-1576.

2025 UPCOMING EVENTS AT CLC



Children & Youth Ministry



*Prayer Shawl
BP CLINIC*

OTHER CLC EVENTS

Joyful Praise Quartet–TODAY, Sunday, September 21, 3:30pm (FMSC)

G.I.F.T. Breakfast in Bethlehem–Saturday, September 27–3–6 pm (Youth Ministry)

Ice Cream Social & Juke Box Bingo–Sunday, October 5, 1pm (FMSC)

Halloween Boo Fest –Saturday, October 18, 1–6pm (Youth Ministry)

Moonlighters Concert–Sunday, October 26, 3pm (snacks/beer/wine) (FMSC)

Blood Mobile–Sunday, November 2, 8–12:30pm

Social & Pastor Derrel/Elvis– Sunday, November 2 at 1pm (FMSC)

Joyful Praise Quartet–Sunday, November 9 at 3:30pm (FMSC)

Putt Putt Golf–Thursday, November 13 at 3pm, Lunch to follow (FMSC)

Thanksgiving Party–Saturday, November 22–Set Up–1pm, Party–3–6pm (Youth Ministry)

Social & Juke Box Bingo–Sunday, Sunday, December 7 at 1pm (FMSC)

Christmas with Santa & Pizza–Saturday, December 20 from 1–6pm (Youth Ministry)

**Recurring Monthly Events for 2025:First Sunday of Every Month–
Second Sunday of Every Month, Third Sunday of Every Month–BP
Check–10am–Library, Fourth Sunday of Every Month –**

Second Wednesday–Prayer Shawl Meeting–11:30am

CONTACTS

**G.I.F.T. Minister–Skyler Forsythe,
352-299-5471**

**Family Ministers–Ashley Runyon, 980
-925-9959**

**Medical & Prayer Shawl, Darlene
Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.**

**FMSC, Mark Ferrera,
Chair, 407-616-1576**

**Fellowship–Kay Bertzyk, 352-245-
0346 or Joe Capelli, 352-445-2616,
Co Chairs.**

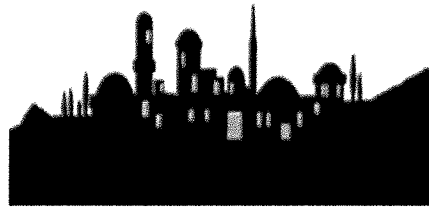
CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS CONTD.

Prayer Shawls-On the window side of the Fellowship Hall there are Prayer Shawls ready to be given to people who you feel might like to wrap themselves in Prayer. Please feel free to take one. Just let us know where you sent it. We need more shawls. Please join the Prayer Shawl Meeting the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 11:30am. to help make shawls. **Darlene Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.**

Blurbs and Inserts-All Ministry leaders please remember all Blurbs and Inserts must be in the office no later than first thing Tuesday morning for the upcoming Bulletin in printable format containing **ALL** necessary info. **Michele D. Harney, P.A. M., 352-307-6900.**

The Rock-Lake Weir Middle School is back in session for the 2025-26 school year. The students have returned with their needs and necessities. If you care to help out, they need deodorant for males and females, combs and hair brushes as well as two pack hand sanitizer. As the semester progresses the needs will be more plentiful. **Carolyn Korpics, 352-693-8543, Coordinator.**

Walk to Bethlehem-Let's arrive in Bethlehem on Christmas Day. If we all join in the 2929 miles is easy, of course that does not include the ocean miles! Along the way we will learn about other countries and cultures. Sign up sheet and upcoming info are on the table in Fellowship Hall. **Darlene Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.**



Cross Makers-We need the small yarn crosses. If you need supplies see Michele in the office. **Michele Harney, Coordinator, 325-307-6900.**

Phil's Friends-If someone you know has cancer, volunteers in our Hope Centers create and assemble hopeful care packages with comforting items that our friends with cancer need and enjoy. **Linda Scholfield, Coordinator, 352-307-3063.**

COLLECTIONS

Cell Phones-We will still be collecting cell phones. They are taken to Interfaith. **Michele Harney, Parish Administration Minister, 352-307-6900.**

Domestic Violence Center (C.A.S.A.)-We are collecting items at this time. They need Cleaning Supplies, Hygiene Items, Diapers and Wipes, Paper Towels, Paper Napkins & Toilet Paper. Clean and like new condition business attire is also needed. **Cindy Kelly, Coordinator, 440-221-4027.**

Hands of Mercy Everywhere-Needed: Paper Towels, Paper Napkins & Toilet paper. **Cindy Kelly, Social Ministry Chair, 440-221-4027.**

St. Theresa Roman Catholic Church Food Pantry-Thank you for continuing to donate. Keep those donations coming. Non-perishable supplies are always needed. Be sure to check the expiration date. Questions call **Pastor Dave Connell, 352-307-6900.**

Interfaith Shower Ministry in Ocala-for the homeless. We collect supplies: bath towels and wash cloths, men's socks and underwear, personal and full size shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, deodorant, tooth brushes, and tooth paste, and men's shoes. **Susan Blusewicz, Interfaith Shower Ministry Coordinator, 352-674-9434.**

Interfaith Free Clinic Medical Center- needs any Over The Counter medicines that are **NOT** opened and **NOT** expired. Cold medicine, cough drops, regular aspirin and low dose aspirin are needed too. **NO RX MEDS.** **Michele Harney, Parish Administration Minister, 352-307-6900.**

We acknowledge a gift to:



**A leaf to the Tree of Life was donated:
In Honor of: The Byzantine Mission
By: The Byzantine Mission Congregation**

**The Live Plant Garden Is Given:
To the Glory of God**



We express Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of:



Ron Blake- CLC Parishioner Member's Celebration of Life is on Friday, November 28 at 1pm at CLC.

PRAYERS

Pray - Council, Ministry Team Leaders / Teams, and Parishioners - Today

for: Ken, Dawn, Eva, Joshua & Stephen Bishop; Linda Blanc; Tony & Sue Blusewicz; Betty Bossick; Joyce Brennan; Bea Cahill; Jack & Kathy Campbell; Tangie Campbell; Nancy Canis; Joe & Sandie Capelli; and all baptized, confirmed, married, memorialized, new parishioners, and all at Christ Lutheran Church.

Give Thanks - Healing: John Lotz (heart & respiratory health issues rehab - OK); and Carolyn Wright (heart health issues tests results w/cardiologist Dr. - OK).

Pray - Parishioners (short term): Jillian Acles (neurological health issues next steps pending); Bea Cahill (internal infection & internal health issues rehab); Sandie Capelli (back spinal discs cyst removal repair surgery rehab); Martha Fernez (facial nose squamous cancer removal repair surgery radiation therapy rehab & skin graft plastic repair surgery pending); Ken Geach (right leg cath 10/10); Jim Hopper (internal cancer radiation therapy rehab); Earl Howell (fractured tailbone & 2 pelvis fractures health issues rehab - Freedom Pointe Rehab # 100); Mary Ellen Howell (auto accident rehab); Ed Israel (right shoulder torn rotator cuff next steps pending); Larry Lee (neck spinal discs pain repair surgery next steps w/surgeon Dr. pending; 2nd opinion w/another surgeon Dr. 9/23 - Shands Hosp.); Susan Long (right elbow & internal health issues next steps w/orthopedic pending); Christine Messersmith (fractured pelvis health issues rehab); Frank Neumann (right knee replacement repair surgery pending); Perry Olyer (back spinal discs pain next steps w/surgeon Dr. pending); Custer Redman (add'l internal cancer medication rehab); Jackie Romeo (neck & back spinal discs pain rehab); Ashley Runyon (internal non-cancer health issue repair surgery 12/1 - Moffitt Cancer Center); and John Simmons (post-previous surgeries chest pain scar tissue removal repair surgery, add'l incision multiple area infections & 8 add'l infection removal & repairs surgeries health issues rehab).

Pray - Parishioners (long term - hospital): No one.

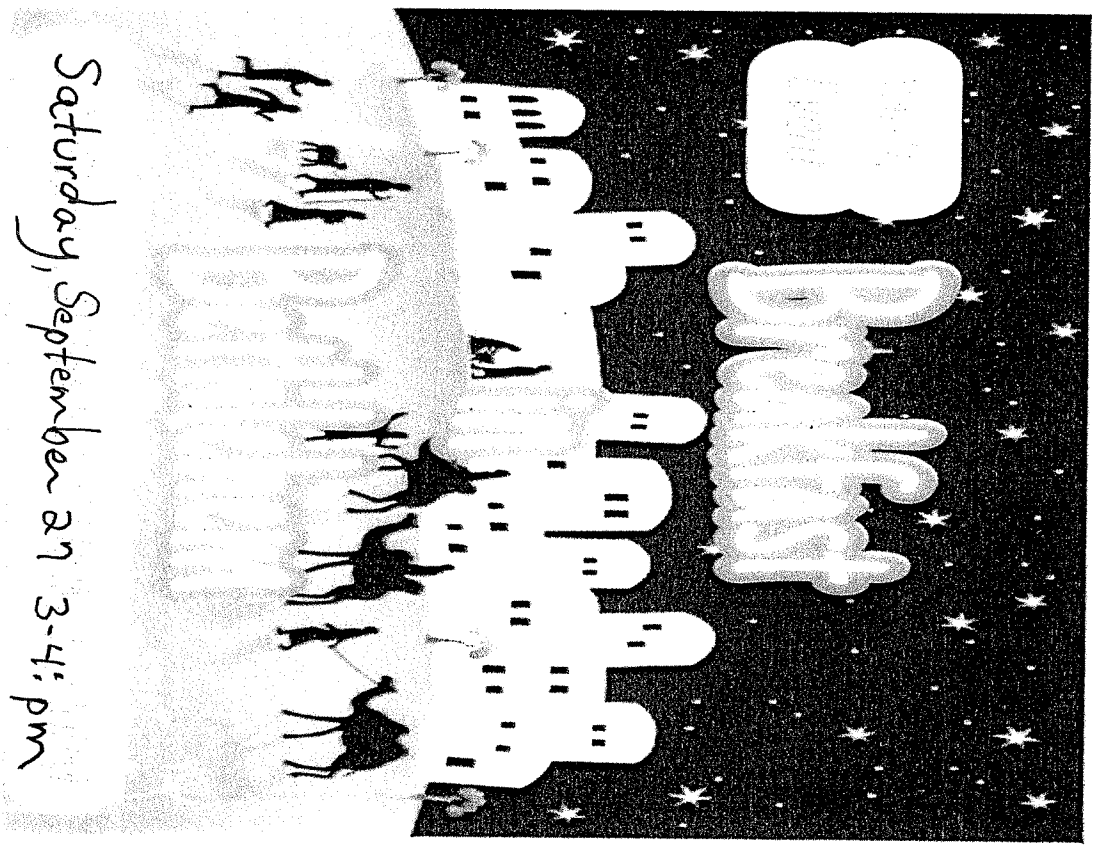
Pray - Parishioners (long term - Hospice): Tom Taylor (Marion County EW & Lucille Cates Hospice House # 11, Ocala, FL).



Attendance: 9am: 77
10:30am: 43 Total: 120
YouTube: 39

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK

Jeremiah 32:1-3a
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Gospel-St. Luke 16:19-31



Saturday, September 27 3-4:pm

QUESTIONS: Skyler Forsythe, 352-5471,

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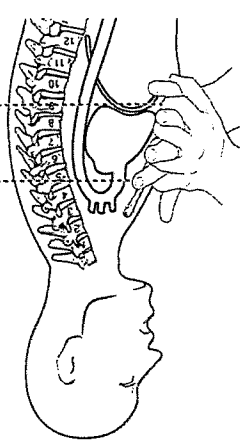
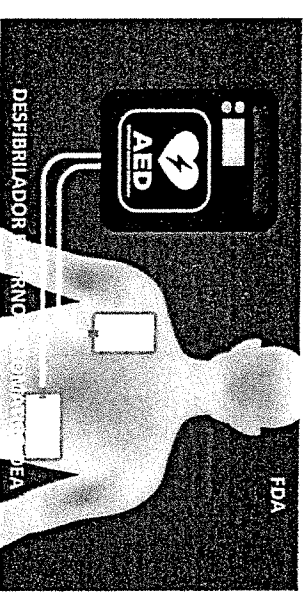
Fellowship Hall.

CPR CLASS

Join us Tuesday, October 21 at 1pm
in the Fellowship Hall for CPR &
AED training.

\$10 per person. SignUp Sheet on table in Fellowship Hall.

Questions: Darlene Baney, Medical
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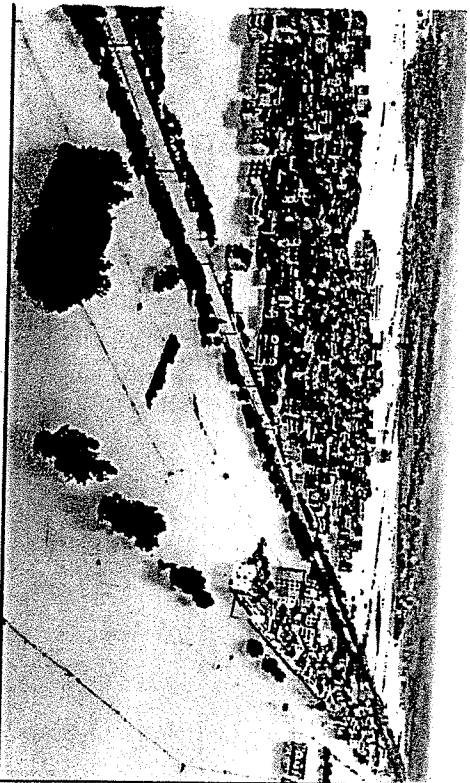
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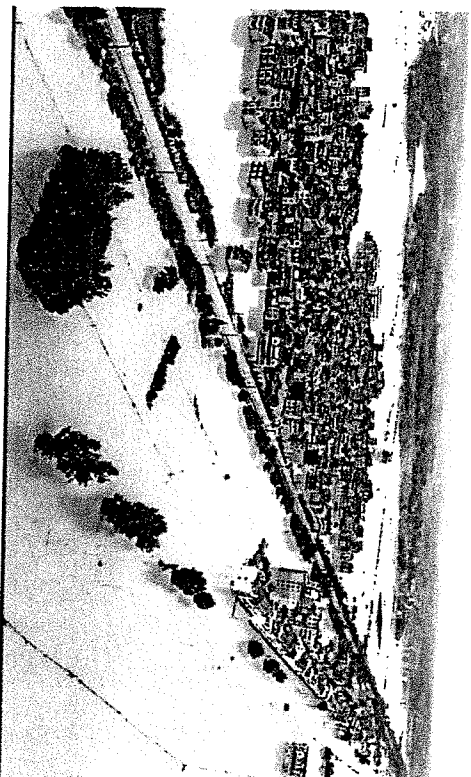
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HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Quiet Moment-We Have Come into this House-Choir Only

1. You Servants of God ELW 825
2. Day By Day ELW 790
3. **Communion-** A. Abide with Me ELW 629 B. Jesus, Remember Me ELW 616
4. Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee ELW 836