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a message from our pastor

This month we are going to work backwards! Here is Pledge #5 - "I am a church member" and it states: "I will lead my family to be good members of this church as well. We will pray together for our church. We will worship together in our church. We will serve together in our church. And we will ask Christ to help us fall deeper in love with this church because He gave His life for her."

Now, admittedly, this chapter assumes nuclear families, small children, and so on. That is not our reality here in Fairfield Glade. But if we broaden the "family" notion just a little, the chapter works just fine for us. Let's look at the word "community" instead of "family."

Families are pretty closed systems. One is born into them - marries into them - or is adopted into them. It is fairly straightforward to determine who is in and who is out. WE make the decision to include and to exclude. It is up to us and our criteria.

Community is different. Community is more fluid and porous. People come and go. Community expands to accommodate any number of people in a wide range of configurations. A community of faith is also elastic and expansive - or at least it is supposed to be! In this instance, a community of faith is created by God's action. In the covenant of Baptism, we are placed into relationship with one another. We are made to be siblings of Jesus Christ. People flow into and out of our community - and that is as God intends.

When we receive new members, here is a portion of what we say: "Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world."

Let's look at our fifth pledge in expanded form: "I will lead my community to be good members of CLC. We will pray together for CLC. We will worship together at CLC. We will serve together through CLC. And we will ask Christ to help us fall deeper in love with CLC because He gave His life for her."

What a transformative notion that is. We will ask Christ to help us fall in love - not correct, not fix, not purify, not criticize – but fall in love with. May we fall deeper and deeper in love.

God's Peace-

Pr. Groce

From our President.....

I hope that all of you had a very happy and safe 4th of July.

The Marina Worship and Brunch was attended by 85+ and all went well. I want to thank Fellowship (Forte's), Worship and Music (Lady's Trio), Joy and Pastor Groce. Great!! Pastor has recovered from COVID and both he and Vickie will be out for some well needed vacation from August 25-29. (Pastor will be available should you need him; Vickie will not.)

The message is— we have a major problem and at this time, no solution. We have 291 active and associate members with 71 (24%) members active on council and teams. The 2023 council has openings for Vice President (officer) and three council/team leaders. We are also searching for a Financial Secretary and Personnel Leader. The Nominating Team and I have tried to recruit members to volunteer, but as of now, no candidates. FYI, of the 71, many have taken on multiple tasks. When you look at most churches, 20% of the members do the majority of the work. We fit that mold, but I believe CLC is much better than that. I understand health and other issues can prevent one from volunteering, but I also hope and pray if you can, please help lead CLC into the future. Contact me, other council members or Vickie to join the group of committed council and team members helping to grow CLC now and in the future.

As stated in January when I accepted the position of Council President, I would keep you informed (total transparency) and if needed to make changes that would be well thought out and necessary. We are at that point of change in how the council and teams are formed and how we move forward. If we do not have members volunteer to fill the open positions, we will need to come up with a new plan on how we will be structured. I hope you read *Life Lines* and that you will ask God to help you make the commitment to assist in leading CLC forward.

In August, I will be speaking to you about project updates and changes if needed.

God Bless,

Gary Deierlein, Council President

> WHERE ARE YOU IN THIS PICTURE?



Vickie will be on vacation the last week of July. This is an early edition of Life Lines. If needed, there will be an addendum the beginning of August.

Have a wonderful summer!



Meet our New Members:

Joining July 2, 2022:

Vance and Vicki Brandt 47 Daddys Creek Trail Crossville, TN 38555 952-738-2349—Vance vlbrandt48@gmail.com 952-687-7470—Vicki vrbrandt@gmail.com

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Joining July 3, 2022:

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Joining Soon:

Lawrence Nowicki, Sr. 109 Beachwood Drive Fairfield Glade, TN 38558 931-265-2276 Inowicki@frontier.com FGRS/CLC Tournament
September 18
11:00 AM Registration
11:30 AM Lunch
1:00 PM Shot Gun Start
Dorchester Golf Course
Honoree: Ken Schuning &
Fairfield Glade Resident Services

Joining us will be Ken and Jody's daughter and son-in-law singing, Mulligans, 50/50 Raffle, Hole in One Contest on all Par 3's, to win \$10,000.

After golf, more food, entertainment, the raffle and awarding of winner's prizes. There is still time to sign up singles and foursomes. Hole sponsors and donations are also accepted.

This is a Great Fellowship and Community Outreach Event.





Save the Date

First Annual Chili Dinner

October 22 at 6:00PM

Please note the following!

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR THE OFFICE: INFO@CHRISTLUTHERANFFG.ORG

CLC Upcoming Activities

Trash and Treasurers Information

The Trash and Treasurers Sale is scheduled for September 8&9.

Linda Morgan, garage sale guru, has offered to begin pricing items at her home. She will accept toys, games, puzzles, books, jewelry and linens. Linda lives at 120 Havenridge Circle. Please call **931-248-1301** prior to taking items to her home.

Items not listed above should be held and brought directly to the church after services on September 4 until September 6. Contact Barb Boyce or Kay Landrus with questions.

Please no shoes or clothing.

Thanks for your generous heart!

CLC BREAD OF LIFE DINNER
August 14, 2022
Bring Food to Church by 9:30 a.m.



The **Bread of Life Meal for August** needs:

- Bake half chicken breasts covered with Cream of Chicken soup. (Chicken has been purchased and is in CLC freezer.)
- 4 people to bring 2# of cooked noodles to CLC with some water remaining on them.
- 4 Green Bean casseroles (your own recipe or ask me) are needed to serve 15 each.
- 4 9x13 desserts of 15 portions complete the meal.
- 2-3 volunteers to deliver and serve the meal

BOL thanks you for your devotion to those in our communities in need.

"Blessed are they who show mercy... "

If you can provide any if these items, please sign up on the Activities bulletin board.

Building Bridges

Building Bridges will be meeting on Saturday, August 6 in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-8:00 pm. The program will be Movie and Popcorn night. We will provide the movie and drinks and request you bring your favorite popcorn to share with others. Enjoy a night out with friends and spouses. Please sign up on the Activities bulletin board across from the church office.





Sunday Education Time (SET) meets following worship in fellowship room C. We are currently studying the book of Revelation.

08/07 – Revelation 17-18 Beast, Babylon

08/14—Revelation 19-22 Jesus,

millennium, eternity

08/21 – The Rapture

08/28 - No class

09/04 - No class

09/11 - No class

09/18 – New series, stay tuned!

Please consider joining the Education Team and provide input on study and/or discussion topics of interest. Contact Rick Tenny or the church office to find out more.



Coffee provided.

CLC Education Team

Darkness?

It's 9:20 on a Sunday morning and you pull into the church parking lot. You immediately notice a lack of cars but you hurry in. You reach the door and there is no one to greet you. You enter the narthex and there is no usher and you take your own bulletin. Service starts on time (we're Lutherans and prompt) but you notice there is no lector, no one to pass the plates and no one to assist Pastor with communion. Where is everyone? Are they all on vacation and forgot to tell me!

Guess what? No one signed up to greet, usher, lector or be a communion assistant. The church needs people to do these gratifying, high paying (just kidding) positions. We don't want to over work the Pastor by having him doing all these jobs himself. Please consider helping do one of these rewarding contributions to our church. Your church family needs you.

"I looked, but there was no one to help; I was appalled, but there was no one to uphold; so my own arm brought me salvation, and my wrath upheld me." Isaiah 63:5

Denise Knebel - Worship & Music Team Leader

Men's Prayer Breakfast

All men are invited to attend the August Men's Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, August 11, beginning at 8 a,m,

This is open to all members and friends.

Please join us!



SAVE THE DATE -

The Men's Fellowship group is planning a catered dinner and speaker program for Thursday evening, September 15, at the Church. All, including spouses and significant others, are invited. More details later.

Inquirers Dinner for Via de Cristo

Do you ever wonder what Via de Cristo is all about? What goes on, why and where does it happen, and



what's the secret handshake? (Just kidding, no secret handshake) For all those interested in learning more there will be a **free** informational dinner on Monday August 8th at 5:30. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. For current Via de Cristo members there will be a free will offering.

Any questions contact Betty House 931-210-9610 or bjhouse@comcast.net

"Contribute to the needs of God's people, and welcome strangers into your home". Romans 12:13

Friend and Former Member Sharon Sammarco has a new address, Correspondence can be sent to:

Sharon Sammarco 2501 Summit Avenue, Apartment 314 Waukesha, WI 53188



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Annual Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Saturday, August 13 at 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be provided by the Cumberland Swing Experience, Bill Kerr Director. Come and enjoy an afternoon of ice cream and music with your friends. And it's Free!

Backpack Help

And you thought you were done with backpacks! Did you know that Christ Lutheran Church in conjunction with Good Samaritan in Crossville helps pack food items for needy children in various schools. Fruits, proteins, dairy,



grains and vegetables are packed in bags for the weekend and sent home.

In order for this to be accomplished we need at least two people each week to help at Good Sam's on 10th street in Crossville. Please consider adding this worthwhile cause to your calendar. The more people that help the less time is required. Sign ups are on the bulletin board.

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. Proverbs 22:9



Marina Life

Fortes for the Win! Once again, Fortes delivered a delicious brunch for over 90 people after our marina service. Did you know that they have been doing just that for over 20 years. Years ago we needed a caterer for the brunch and Fortes was brand new to the area. Christ Lutheran was Fortes first catering customer and because of this loyalty they have never increased their price. We thank them and suggest you do the same the next time you go there to eat lunch or dinner. They always put out an excellent meal, reasonably priced.

Special thanks to fellowship, worship and music and sound for coordinating this event.

It really does take a church family to make this worship and fellowship opportunity a success.







PRAYER CONCERNS

Names stay on Prayer Concerns for three weeks unless otherwise instructed.

Call Vickie to extend the time or add names.

Please keep the following in your prayers.

- Pastor Jenny Barnes
- Gayle Burroughs
- Ruby Carr
- o Tom Dugan
- o John Garvey
- o Bill Henderson
- o Andrea Hyde
- Lowell Knobloch
- Pastor Doug MaGinn
- Jan Martin
- Walt Mellor
- Jim Mercer
- o Pastor Joe Nilsen
- Vicky Sproule
- o Grayce Tyszko
- o Larry Whiffen

- o ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL
- David & Alicia Brondos, our missionaries in Mexico
- o **Kiswahili Lutheran Mission Church**, Nashville, our mission partner.
- Nancy Christopherson, friend of Linda Ferris, Cindy Love, and Lynne Schwaberow
- Maddie House, 20-year-old granddaughter of Glen & Betty House



READINGS AND PSALMS AUGUST 2022						
<u>First Reading</u> <u>Psalm</u> <u>Second Reading</u>		<u>Gospel</u>				
August 6&7	Genesis 15:1-6	Psalm 33:12-22	Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16	Luke 12:32-40		
			,	Luke 12:49-56		
August 20&21	Isaiah 58:9b-14	Psalm 103:1-8	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17		
August 27&28	Proverbs 25:6-7	Psalm 112	Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16	Luke 14:1,7-14		

Worship Service Assistants-August 2022							
Saturday:	Coffee Hour	Greeters	Ushers	Lector	Communion Assistant	Audio- Video Booth	Tellers
August 6			C Floros/M Floros				
August 13							
August 20							
August 27							
Sunday							
August 7		S Dugan		D Knebel	S Dugan		
August 14				V Deierlein	V Deierlein		
August 21				L Vance	D Vance		
August 28			D Irvin/A Dodge				

C T U R E P A G E







MARINA WORSHIP AND BRUNCH



Bread of Life Delivery —->





August Birthdays

- 1 Joe Birmingham
- 2 Diane Klockars
- 3 Dave Cyrus
- 6 Phil Tenney
- 8 Pam Morris
- 10 Don Baassler
- 10 Patricia Bock
- 11 Deb Tenny
- 12 Bob Bisarek
- 16 Sherry Botsford
- 17 Jackie Lallak
- 17 Jana Cyrus
- 17 Dick Simpson
- 18 Carrie Moulton
- 23 Ray Miner
- 23 Grayce Tyszko
- 26 Bill Martin
- 26 Dick Pry
- 28 Debby Goergen
- 28 George Seibert
- 29 Karen MaGinn
- 30 Jan Martin
- 31 Roberta Ruef



August Anniversaries

6	Duane & Donna Schiller	67 Years
7	Tom & Sue Carter	51 Years
9	Dick & Monica Jahn	53 Years
10	Bill & Jan Martin	59 Years
11	Larry & Diane Camp	39 Years
11	Mark & Kathy Hansen	49 Years
18	Bob & Rhonita Bisarek	21 Years
19	Rick & Barb Comshaw	60 Years
21	Dan & Cindy Leckvarcik	45 Years
22	Rich & Denise Knebel	35 Years
24	Jim, & Joan Radcliffe	65 Years
25	Robert & Mille Kendall	66 Years
25	Robert & Roberta Ruef	39 Years
28	Rick & Becky Utz	51 Years

Life Lines submissions are due
August 15 for publication
in the September issue.
Items can be submitted
by email to Vickie at
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