

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RALLY DAY:** Sunday school begins today, and all ages are invited to attend Sunday school time. Amanda Cyboron is teaching through the Old Testament, and we'd like to make this a cross+generational class. Stop in and check it out!

**Prayers for comfort** and strength for Jeanne and Chuck Nicholson following the death of Jeanne's mother, Phyllis Raschke. Visitation is 2:00 to 4:00 today, and her funeral is 10:30 tomorrow, at Forest Lawn Funeral Home in Omaha.

**Happy Birthday** Doris Hoffart (9/13), Arlynn Boelman (9/14) and Wendell Hahne (9/15).

**Happy Anniversary** Joe and Kristy Rosberg (9/13) and Duane and Shirley Theil (9/15).

Kitchen Remodel Fundraiser: If you would like a copy of the handout from last month's "3-year update/where we are now" meeting, they are in Joan Falke's mailbox. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m., open to the congregation.

**We will need help** at the Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Holiday Boutique (before, during and after) as Louise will be away and Joan's availability is uncertain. Any questions, please call Joan at 402-664-3057. Cookie bakers are still needed for the cookie fundraiser.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Pastor Steve Lund	Brian Anderson, sound booth
Charlie Skoglund, assisting minister	Emily Svitak, guitar and vocals
Dean & Doris Hoffart, coffee	Brad Rogers, guitar
Emilee Olson, acolyte	Judy Carstens, lector
Wendell Hahne, usher	Greg Moen, usher
Linda & Amanda Cyboron, communion	Rich & Deb Olson, greeters

## CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMC

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### SEPTEMBER 9, 2018—16th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 Sunday School Rally Day  
10:00 Worship/Blessing of the Backpacks  
2nd Sunday potluck  
Youth group

#### Monday

5:00 Hospitality committee  
7:00 Ultreya

#### Wednesday Night ALIVE

5:30 Confirmation  
6:15 Meal  
7:00 Worship/activity

#### Thursday

9:00 Agape Circle

#### Saturday

1:00 Fellowship hall reserved

#### Next Sunday, Sept. 16

8:30 Adult study  
9:00 Sunday school for all ages  
10:00 Worship with communion  
Coffee & fellowship

*Stephen J. Lund, pastor*

1100 East Benjamin Avenue

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**Opening Medley**    *“Forever”*  
*“Everlasting God”*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**All: God, our Creator, we confess our sin which weighs us down and burdens us daily. We come again to ask Your forgiveness for what we are, and desire that You would make us what we can become. We confess our broken relationships, our weak discipleship, and our poor image of ourselves. We come to You today, wounded and in need of Your new life. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.**

L: People of God—you are forgiven! This is the good news of salvation for those who trust. God has healed those broken relationships, given power for our discipleship, and given us a new picture of our own worth. The power of God is ours through the spirit that lives within. We no longer need to be burdened by our sin, but can stand tall and rejoice with other Christians for what God has done.

**Song of Praise**    *“Our God”*

**Opening Prayer**

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Children’s Message—Blessing of the Backpacks**

**Scriptures**

Isaiah 35:4-7a                      Old Testament, p. 663  
James 2:1-10, 14-17                New Testament, p. 229

**Gospel**

Mark 7:24-37                        New Testament, p. 42

**Pastor Steve’s Message: “Rejoining the Conversation”**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**The Prayers**

**Offering**

**The Lord’s Supper**

**Post-Communion Blessing**

**Sending Song**            *“Shout to the North”*

**Blessing and Dismissal**

*“Alleluia”*

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

Bereavement

Phyllis Raschke (Jeanne Nicholson’s mother) died Sept. 5.

Health/Healing

Mick Kullbom, Margaret Svitak, Fern Zechmann  
Cherlyn Hillrichs, Leonard Zechmann, Audrey Polenske  
Jim Ruge, Lexi Vaipae

Assisted Living/Skilled Care

Harold Dunlap, Myron Falter, Mona Jean Roberts  
Dorothy Schiermeier, Kay Skovsende