

AUGUST 2015 NEWSLETTER

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Bible Trek

Sunday School during August

We will continue our Sunday School hour before worship with our cross + generational Bible study, discussion, activities and singing in the fellowship hall for ALL AGES!!! Each session is topical and anyone can attend. Join in on the discussion on some interesting topics. This month our topics will be:

8/2 — The Way

8/9—Living Water (Blessing of the Backpacks during brunch after worship)

8/16—It's NOT Easy Being Green

8/23—God and a Photograph

8/30—Everybody Needs a Rock

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL SEPT. 6TH (LABOR DAY WEEKEND)

*** Sunday School will begin on Rally Day Sunday, Sept. 13th, beginning at 8:45 a.m. with our opening worship!!! On Rally Day we will have a special theme

along with Moving Forward Milestone with our 4th graders and Taking on My Faith Milestone with our 6th graders. During our worship at the 10:00 a.m. service, My First Bible/Catechism Milestone will be presented to our 2nd graders.

Last Brunch of Summer Sunday, August 9

We will gather one more time for a time of fellowship and food with a potluck brunch after worship on August 9. During our fellowship time we will have the blessing of the back packs for the coming school year. Joan Falke will share a short stewardship presentation and we will hear an initial report from our youth mission team that recently returned from their trip to Tanzania (July 21—August 5). Please plan to stay after worship to get to know each other, share some stories, and encourage one another in our faith journey.

Summer Worship

Explore the Bible (Revelation)

During August we are exploring the book of Revelation. Revelation teaches that faithfulness to Jesus will, in the end, triumph over all troubles that may befall believers. The Lord Jesus Christ will return to earth as conquering King and as Judge and set all things right. Copies of your personal study guides are on the back table (suggested donation is \$5).

August 2 – Revelation 4:1-11 – “Glimpse of the Throne”

August 9 – Revelation 5:1-4 – “The Worthy Lamb”

- Installation of Women of CTS board members
- Potluck Brunch after worship
- Blessing of the Back Packs
- Stewardship Presentation
- Initial Report of Tanzania Youth Mission Trip

August 16 – Revelation 9:1-12 – “Redeeming Judgment”

August 23 – Revelation 12:1-17 – “Jesus Defeats Satan”

August 30 – Revelation 21:1-17 – “The Final Act”

End of Summer BLOW-OUT

Wednesday, Aug. 12, 7 p.m.

The ENTIRE CONGREGATION is invited to gather for an evening of fun and celebration as our youths prepare to head back to school. See page 4 for more details.

Summer Sunday Schedule through Labor Day weekend

9:00 a.m. Bible Trek
10 a.m. Worship with Communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship

Fall Sunday Schedule (beginning September 13)

8:45 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship with Communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship

PASTOR STEVE'S LETTER: "THE IMPORTANCE OF A PRAYING CONGREGATION"

Every renewal and revival in the Christian church ALWAYS was preceded by devoted and constant prayer. When you read through the book of Acts in the Bible (the historical record of the early days of the church as the disciples spread the gospel throughout the Mediterranean), every moment of God began because the people of God were in prayer. (I would encourage the reading of the entire book of Acts and underlining every time you read the word "pray," "prayed," "praying," etc.). Often you will read that after they had prayed, God would work a marvelous thing! For example, after Jesus ascended into heaven, He told the disciples to go back to Jerusalem and pray until the Holy Spirit would come upon them. After 10 days of praying, the day of Pentecost fell upon the 120 who were gathered in the Upper Room and so great a witnessing occurred that 3,000 souls were added to the Kingdom. The early church did not know what to do or where to go, so they devoted themselves to four things: the apostles' teaching (the Word), fellowship, the breaking of bread (Lord's Supper), and PRAYER. I am not talking prayer for 3-5 minutes during a worship service, but earnest prayer – seeking God and His will for their lives. When the persecution caused the 120 to disperse from Jerusalem, the message of Jesus was spread further because the Church had prayed and outreach began. When Paul and other disciples were jailed for sharing

the message of Jesus, they were often thrown into jail. What did the church do? The church prayed and angels opened the doors of the jail, and jailers were converted in the process. I could go on and on, but read the entire book and notice how often prayer precedes the works of God.

So why all this talk about prayer? If the early church recognized the need and power of prayer, the times have not changed since Jesus gave us the Great Commission to go into the entire world, baptizing and teaching them all He taught us until He returns. So, again, like the early church, how are we to do this? It begins with prayer, asking and seeking the Father as to what He wants us to do. I firmly believe in the power of prayer and its mighty power when the whole church is in prayer. As many of you know we have been having some important discussions and discernment (bringing in a consultant from LCMC, developing a lifelong proposal of faith for our youth and their families, looking at what's next for us, etc.). We have had a lot on our plate of concern for some time, so where do we go? To the throne of God in prayer – I mean, earnest, on your knees type of prayer – seeking the direction and call of God upon our lives and our congregation. There is no greater call than the call of God upon your life and the life of a congregation.

So here is my exhortation to us all! I am calling the ENTIRE congregation to a time of prayer –

40 days of prayer! Beginning on Monday, August 3, I am calling for a 40-day time of prayer for Christ the Servant. This 40 day prayer period will culminate on Rally Day Sunday, September 13. I will be placing inserts in our Sunday bulletins for you to place in the offering plate as a commitment to pray. These inserts will remain between you and God (no names will be known to me, only to God). If you place one of these inserts in the offering plate, please do so because you PROMISE to pray at least once a day for Christ the Servant. Prayer commitment inserts will be available on the back table so that you can place them in the offering plate at any time. I am praying that the offering plate will overflow as the prayers of His people will usher the throne of God.

And then let us wait in eager anticipation as to what God will speak to us and how the Holy Spirit will come upon us. As we hear in the Old Testament, the Lord told King Solomon that if His people, who are called by His name, will humble themselves and confess and pray, He will hear from heaven and forgive our sin and heal us. (2 Chronicles 7:14).

***Next month I will have suggestions on how you can pray for our Lifelong Faith Proposal for the youth in our congregation!

In prayer with the Lord in all things,

Pastor Steve

PASTOR MATT'S LETTER

"... you crossed the Jordan and came to Jericho. The citizens of Jericho fought against you, as did also the Amorites, Perizzites, Canaanites, Hittites, Girgashites, Hivites and Jebusites, but I gave them into your hands. I sent the hornet ahead of you, which drove them out before you-- also the two Amorite kings. You did not do it with your own sword and bow. So I gave you a land on which you did not toil and cities you did not build; and you live in them and eat from vineyards and olive groves that you did not plant.' Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Joshua 24:11

As a part of our travels to Tanzania, each member of the team is to prepare a devotion on the word or theme BUILD. This devotion can take any direction – build, build up, kingdom building, etc., but one of the goals of this trip for our people is to learn and to recognize that we are called to be builders of the Kingdom of God. That requires work, sacrifice, time, giving of self, speaking the Word, and so much more. So as I write before our departure, I begin with this text for my devotion. Joshua passing on God's word to the people of Israel as a reminder of His blessings and

love for them.

He brought them, led them, fought for them with all the people that were across the river Jordan from the wilderness. He had opened for them the land long ago promised to Abraham and Sarah, and now they were the benefactors of His grace. God had provided for them land, vineyards, homes and more, and now He reminds them what is expected of them: to fear the Lord, to serve Him with ALL faithfulness, and to throw away the gods that they used to worship. He had provided faithfully and in return He asked for the recognition of that through the lives that they lived now in this abundance.

Taking a group to Africa is like going nowhere else. We learn quickly that even in the "niceness" of some homes in Tanzania, we have more. We learn that God has poured out on us in overabundance so that we can use it to build the kingdom, but too often we settle into thinking that all this is ours and from our hands, and we find that it just doesn't fill us up. We see in Tanzania people who are happy in ways we might not understand because they live in a wooden shack and give all they have to

welcome us. We find people of faith that live in constant trust of God's grace and mercy as they pray for a bottle of water in thankfulness because God has brought life to them for a little while longer.

We are called to be builders who realize that we have already been given all the tools needed to build up the Kingdom of God. God has provided for us so richly that we perhaps really can't even comprehend all that has been provided. Perhaps as we go through our days we can reflect on the blessings – every time we go and turn on a water tap in our house, start a car, open an overstocked fridge, walk in freedom to be able to share the Good News. With all that and more, how will we build the kingdom?

I declare to you that the LORD will build a house for you: and in fact He has. What will we do in response?

Pastor Matt

YOUTH CALENDAR

BIBLE TREK – is meeting as our Sunday School Program throughout the summer. We will begin at 9:00 a.m. sharp and have a closing at 9:50 with music and prayer. This Sunday School program is a thematic set of classes ranging from John the Baptist’s Birthday to It isn’t easy being GREEN. Each week the children will learn together with different teachers of our Sunday School to begin to TREK through the Bible and to journal about their journey. Parents and friends are always invited.

Youth Group News – well, time flies and already we go back to school, or at least the youth do. So we are gonna celebrate the end of summer with another campfire, games, water slide, water games . . . and EVERY-ONE is invited. Come to the Youth Group Summer Blowout beginning at **6:00 p.m. on August 12th** and have some fun celebrating the summer God has blessed us with as a congregation. As the evening wanes there will be s’mores and singing and prayer as we prepare the youth to head back to school with God and to learn more of what He has in store for them.

My First Bible Class — for children going into the 3rd grade, or anyone who is wanting to brush up on their understanding of the Bible and how to navigate it — will be held two Saturdays in a row in August – **August 15th and August 22nd**. Children and parents will come together and learn or refresh themselves on the greatest book ever written. Invite friends, bring grandkids — every youth who attends will receive in the end an Adventure Bible Luther’s Small Catechism for use in study the rest of their time in the Life-Long Learning Process that will be presented to them on Rally Day Sunday, September 13. PLEASE register with Pastor Matt so enough Bibles can be in stock for the class.

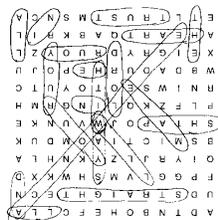
Preparations are being made for Confirmation and FLYTE to begin Wednesday, September 2nd. Please watch for information regarding these classes and the structure of the classes as they will be happening now with the Life-Long Learning Process.

YOU are needed. As we begin to form the new year of learning and passing on the faith, we need YOU to help and teach a topic for our children and youth. Classes are two or five sessions long and range from 1 to 1½ hours in length. Typically a class leader would teach on Wednesday or Sunday, but each class has the flexibility of scheduling in agreement with the teachers and the parents of children. Each class has fully documented information and ideas for class time, and the pastors are here to help support and work with you as you prepare and teach. We can even participate with you to help learn the ropes of youth ministry. What is needed most is a heart for Jesus and His children and a desire to pass on your faith.

Trust in the Lord

Find the words below,
based on Proverbs 3:5-6.

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 Cash Basis

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH
Profit & Loss - Monthly for Newsletter
 January through June 2015

	Jan - Jun 15
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Church Income	
Member Contributions	108,286.00
Non-member Contributions	9,703.37
Other Church Income	
Church Use Income-fellowship ha	75.00
Coffee Hour Donations	204.53
Interest (General Fund)	23.62
Lenten Meal Income	98.00
Lenten Offerings (Members)	387.00
misc. contributions	861.97
Wednesday Night Alive	1,092.00
Total Other Church Income	2,742.12
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Expense	
Administration	
Admin Assistant Payroll Taxes	712.59
Administrative Assistant	
Admin Assistant PR Taxes	139.46
Administrative Assistant - Other	10,846.80
Total Administrative Assistant	10,986.26
Car Mileage	1,790.80
Continuing Education (Pastors)	464.20
Funeral Expenses	231.03
Housing	2,524.00
Janitorial Payroll Taxes	157.38
Janitorial Wages	1,950.00
mediation&consultation	1,648.28
Pastor's Salary	48,844.67
Payroll Expenses	2,156.34
Pension/Benefits	20,026.91
Administration - Other	23.00
Total Administration	91,515.46
Advertising - use evangelism	274.04
Church Building and Grounds	
Church Building - Equipment	
Church Copier	885.84
Computer Maintenance	85.59
Total Church Building - Equipment	971.43
Church Building Maintenance	806.56
Church Ground Maintenance	48.82
Church Improvement Fund	466.78
Church Office Supplies & Postag	3,353.45
Church Snow Removal	372.00
Church Telephone & Internet	1,702.24
Church Utilities	
Electricity	2,987.30
Garbage	406.19
Natural Gas	1,301.69
Water/Sewer	157.41
Total Church Utilities	4,852.59

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Insurance-Prop, Liability, WC	2,252.75
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	721.47
Total Church Building and Grounds	15,548.09
Church Properties - Parsonage	
Lawn Care	161.88
Parsonage - Utilities	
Basic Cable	693.02
Electricity	1,217.77
Natural Gas	376.00
Water/Sewer	270.61
Total Parsonage - Utilities	2,557.40
Parsonage Improvement	421.76
Total Church Properties - Parsonage	3,141.04
Discipleship	
Parish Education	
Adult Education	380.82
Childrens ministry	
Lessons/Programs	244.80
Supplies	25.66
Childrens ministry - Other	160.67
Total Childrens ministry	431.13
Confirmation Supplies/Retreats	
Conf. Camp	798.00
Recharges	139.07
Supplies	24.05
Confirmation Supplies/Retreats - Other	78.48
Total Confirmation Supplies/Retreats	1,039.60
Flyte (5th and 6th Grade)	34.66
Home Devotional Publications	66.42
Materials and Supplies	139.07
RightNow Media	249.95
Sunday School	352.37
Teacher Recognition	319.42
VBS/Christmas Program	136.66
Vibrant Faith@Home	129.74
Total Parish Education	3,279.84
Youth	
Senior Dinner	210.49
Wednesday Night Alive	1,071.74
Youth - Other	0.00
Total Youth	1,282.23
Total Discipleship	4,562.07
Fellowship & Evangelism	
Coffee and Donuts	395.16
Evangelism	1,974.24
Fellowship & Evangelism - Other	54.74
Total Fellowship & Evangelism	2,424.14

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Outreach - Mission Beyond our C	
Aaron & Anna Cyboron (China)	1,000.00
Brandon & Ams Cyboron (China)	1,000.00
Jared & SauMan Weich (China)	1,000.00
Joe Rystrom (YWAM-Hong Kong)	600.00
Mission Benevolence	428.80
Total Outreach - Mission Beyond our C	4,028.80
Postage and Delivery	100.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies	-33.86
Repairs and Maintenance	326.86
Service and Local Mission	
Good Samaritan Fund	445.23
Local Benevolence -2% offerings	1,446.29
Parish Nurse -materials/worksh	61.56
Total Service and Local Mission	1,953.08
Worship	
Musicians	
Organist and accompanist	2,680.63
Payroll Tax Exp-Worship staff	158.40
Worship leader	80.00
Total Musicians	2,919.03
Supplies	
Bulletins	58.73
Communion Cups	25.94
Kitchen Supplies	85.21
Worship Resources/Supplies	343.08
Total Supplies	512.96
Total Worship	3,431.99
Total Expense	127,271.71
Net Ordinary Income	-6,540.22
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Daycare Income	
Daycare donations/grants	9,195.00
Daycare fees (based on 6 kids)	7,169.08
Daycare food reimbursement	596.23
Total Daycare Income	16,960.31
Total Other Income	16,960.31
Other Expense	
Daycare (Based on 6 kids)	
Director Payroll Tax	753.44
Director Salary	9,539.28
Electricity	176.66
Food and supplies	1,560.10
Gas	66.66
Operating Exp - *use food & sup	18.00
Telephone	89.05

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Water/Sewer	20.00
Daycare (Based on 6 kids) - Other	838.24
Total Daycare (Based on 6 kids)	13,061.43
Total Other Expense	13,061.43
Net Other Income	3,898.88
Net Income	-2,641.34

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL OVERSIGHT

July 14, 2015

Present: Pastor Steve, Margaret Svitak, Mary Weich, Linda Cyboron, Charlie Skoglund, Brian Anderson.

Excused Absence: Pastor Matt and Becky Bahnfleth

Pastor Steve opened with devotions and prayer.

Summer Brunch: We reviewed the July 12 brunch – need to assign two workers to set up and two workers to clean up. Next brunch is August 9 where we will bless the back packs for youth going back to school on August 13.

Worship Committee Report: Brian said the committee is recommending at our Quarterly Mission Meeting on July 19 that worship stay at one worship service at 10:00 am and that Sunday school begins at 8:45 am with a 15 minute window between S.S. and worship. Working on banners with designated gift given toward this project (\$2500). Would like to create outside welcoming banners like they have on main streets. Would like to meet with both Pastors at next month's meeting in order to better plan worship around upcoming themes and events.

Agenda Quarterly Meeting: Set the agenda for the next Quarterly Mission Meeting on Sunday, July 19, after worship. Five areas of discussion: three needing congregational approval and two informational pieces. Three areas of congregational approval: (1) adopt the Lifelong Learning Proposal for Youth and Families, (2) set Sunday school and worship times for the fall, and (3) discuss whether Pastor Garry Seefeldt should return once more in person to share the findings of our two-page questionnaire we filled out at our last meeting with him. Two report areas: (1) report of the Budget Committee and (2) kitchen renovation project ideas.

Board's Role in Lifelong Learning Proposal: Pastor Steve shared how each member of the Board can be involved in supporting and enhancing the proposal once it is adopted by the congregation. For example, prayer support, service projects, fellowship events, worship involvement, etc. As a Board Pastor Steve encourages the Board to be creative and proactive in utilizing their area of responsibility to enhance the youth and families of our congregation.

New Members: We will be receiving two new family units on July 19: Scott & Gina Krohn and Mick & Doreen Kullbom.

Pastor Steve: He reported that he will be using his continuing education fund to complete the third year of facilitator training with VantagePoint3 in Sioux Falls on August 5 (Walking with Others). It completes the training of The Journey and Way of Life.

Tanzania Youth Mission Trip: Final preparations are being made for the July 21—August 5 trip. Commissioning and Blessing during worship on July 19 with a send-off meal for the team and family on July 20. The team will try to Skype on Sundays, July 26 and August 2, at 11:30 am after worship. The Board adjourned for the Joint Meeting with the Board of Administration.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 19 with meal at 6:00 pm and meeting to follow the meal.

Submitted by Pastor Steve

August Birthdays

8/3 Orlin Olson
8/4 Ginger Beckman
8/5 Aaron Beckman
Myron Falter
Linda Grunke
8/12 Deb Sheppard
8/16 Jim Meyer
8/17 Judy Carstens
8/21 Chuck Nicholson
Mary Weich
8/27 Siarra Sheppard
8/29 Roger Young

August Anniversaries

Orville & Alvina Heller — Aug. 3
Allen & Penny Henriksen — Aug. 5
Jason & Stacy Jones — Aug. 26
Jerry & Linda Shaffer — Aug. 31

*God's blessings to everyone celebrating this month.
May your day be filled with joy!*

If your birthday or wedding anniversary is not listed,
please provide the church office with your full date
of birth or anniversary.

Altar Flowers: There are many Sundays available to sponsor flowers for the altar. Sign up on the chart on the office door. One bouquet will be ordered unless indicated otherwise. Each bouquet is \$10 plus tax. The flowers will be ordered from the Village Flower Shoppe, and they will send you the bill.

Cleaning Day: Volunteers are needed to clean the kitchen in the Fellowship Hall. Please let the church office know if and when you can help so a date can be scheduled.

Please make sure all meetings are on the church calendar by notifying the office when and in which room your meeting will take place. Thank you!

Connie Atkinson has an antique upright piano to give away. It is at least 130 years old and in excellent condition. It needs to be removed from her home by Aug. 8 so new flooring can be installed. If interested, please call Connie at 371-2697.

NORFOLK RESCUE MISSION

Any of the following items can be dropped off at any time during the year. Thank you for your help.

Items needed: Facial tissue, toilet tissue, paper towels, cleaning products, disinfectants, dish soap, laundry soap, fabric softener, dryer sheets, diapers (all sizes), deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, soap, shampoo, Band-Aids, Tylenol, antibiotic ointment, coffee, creamer, sugar, disposable plates and cups, sugar, salt, pepper, flour, cornstarch, ketchup, mustard, chili powder.

Restroom Remodel Project: The CTS Women are in the beginning process of updating the Men and Women's bathrooms in the Fellowship Hall with new flooring, toilets, sink lighting, toilet cupboards in each stall of the women's, fresh paint, and decor.

The partitions in both bathrooms need updating as they are starting to show their wear after many years of use. The rust on the panels especially in the men's is unsightly and unsanitary and the hinges in both are starting to wear and create unsafe conditions. However, the cost of replacing the partitions have pushed the cost of the project over the projected amount, a need of about an additional \$2400.00

If anyone would like to help or find it in their heart to make a donation to the CTS Women's bathroom project it would be greatly appreciated. You may make your checks payable to CTS Women and send it to me at 101 N. 61st St., Norfolk, NE 68701; or, leave it in a sealed envelope in the "Theil" mailbox at the church. All donations will be confidential if so requested.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call 402-640-4947.

Shirley Theil, Chairman
Michelle Anderson, Women of CTS President

WOMEN OF CHRIST THE SERVANT BOARD MEMBERS

Michelle Anderson, President
Julie Freese, Vice President
Kathy Rogers, Treasurer
Fern Zechmann, Secretary

The Women of CTS meet the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All women of the congregation are welcome and invited to attend.

"I pray that everything may go well with you, and that you may be in good health, as I know you are well in spirit." – 3 John 2

HELP FOR EVERY ACCIDENT

Burns

Heal at home: If you got the burn from something hot (like a grill) and it's smaller than a quarter, rinse it with cool running water for at least 20 minutes, then cover loosely with gauze and secure with tape. Change the bandage daily and watch out for signs of infection such as redness, pus or swelling.

Remember to recycle your empty medication bottles!

Opt for the ER: If the burn is from an electrical accident, like stepping barefoot on a frayed appliance cord; the skin is numb to the touch, white, waxy or charred or smells singed; or the burned area covers a large portion of the palm of your hand or fingers, goes all the way around a toe, arm or leg or is on your face, feet, hands, buttocks, genitals or a major joint.

Cuts

Heal at home: Press with a gauze pad until bleeding slows considerably or stops. Flush wound with tap water for at least two minutes; pat dry, cover with gauze and secure with tape. Splinter? Use a sterilized needle to lift its

end so you can grip it with sterilized tweezers. Slide the splinter out at the same angle at which it appears to have gone in. Wash with warm water and cover with a bandage.

Opt for the ER: If blood still flows readily after 10 to 15 minutes of pressure; there is a large or deeply embedded object in the wound; or the wound is gaping, muscle is showing or the edges won't come together. The cause of your cut matters, too: When a dirty object like a rusty nail or splinter of wood punctures your skin, tetanus is a risk. Haven't had a booster in the last 10 years? Get one ASAP. Can't recall your last tetanus shot? There's no harm in an extra dose.

Stings

Heal at home: For insect bites, use a credit card to gently scrape the stinger away. (To avoid squeezing out more venom, work below the venom sac if it is still attached.) Wash the area with soap and water and apply cold compresses to reduce swelling.

Opt for the ER: If you suspect an anaphylactic reaction. Warning signs: swollen lips or eyelids, an itchy red rash, hoarseness or wheezing, swelling of the throat, difficulty breathing, vomiting, diarrhea, tightness in the chest and loss of consciousness. A

call to your doc or an ER visit is also a necessity if a red ring forms around a bite, which could mean you have been bitten by a tick infected with Lyme disease; the sooner you get antibiotics, the more effective they are.

Head Bonks

Heal at home: The size of the "goose egg" does not correlate with the injury's severity, so monitor symptoms carefully. In the meantime, treat localized pain with ice and acetaminophen. Avoid ibuprofen and other NSAIDs, since they can interfere with internal blood clotting—never a good idea when you are dealing with a head wound.

Opt for the ER: If the injured person has lost consciousness (even for a brief time), complains of a severe headache, is vomiting or has worsening symptoms, lethargy, confusion, seizures or clear fluid or blood leaking from her ears or nose. Call your doctor or go to the ER if she seems foggy or doesn't remember what happened.

Courtesy of Good Housekeeping, July 2015



REMEMBER TO DONATE BLOOD
To give the Gift of Life, contact the American Red Cross office. Appointments available every Tuesday.

August 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 9 a.m. Bible Trek 10 a.m. Worship	3 7:00 p.m. "Taking Time" (in church library)	4 7 p.m. Childcare Oversight meeting	5 5:30 Prayer meeting <i>Youth Mission returns from Tanzania</i>	6 9 a.m. PieceMakers 6 p.m. Women of CTS meeting 6:30 Budget Review	7 Youth Group to Worlds of Fun	8 Youth Group to Oceans of Fun
9 9 a.m. Bible Trek 10 a.m. Worship WCTS installation 11:15 Brunch, blessing of the backpacks	10 7:00 p.m. "Taking Time" (in church library)	11	12 5:30 Prayer meeting 7:00 Youth Group end of summer BLOWOUT for the entire congregation	13 9 a.m. Agape Circle 6:30 Budget Review Norfolk schools open	14	15 My First Bible Class
16 9 a.m. Bible Trek 10 a.m. Worship	17 7:00 p.m. "Taking Time" (in church library)	18 6 p.m. Boards meet	19 5:30 Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Youth Group	20 6:30 Budget Review	21	22 My First Bible Class
23 9 a.m. Bible Trek 10 a.m. Worship	24 7:00 p.m. "Taking Time" (in church library)	25	26 5:30 Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Youth Group	27 6:30 Budget Review 7 p.m. Wine, Women & Wisdom	28	29
30 9 a.m. Bible Trek 10 a.m. Worship	31 7:00 p.m. "Taking Time" (in church library)					

AUGUST VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	COFFEE	GREETERS	USHERS	ACOLYTE	LECTOR	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
AUG. 2	BJ & Sharon Koeppe	Dean & Doris Hoffart	Mike & Nell Finkral	Elizabeth Broders	Becky Bahnfleth	Scott Krohn & Bob Lutz
AUG. 9	Richard & Kay Jaeger	Delores Olson	Gary & Mary Weich	Kelcie Hall	Greg Moen	Ron & Korrie Hall
AUG. 16	Mike & Nell Finkral	Roger & Karen Peters	Steve Morton & Jo Roberts	Elizabeth Broders	Steve Morton	Linda & Amanda Cyboron
AUG. 23	Brian & Michelle Anderson	Charlie & Louise Skoglund	Steve & Julie Freese	Katelyn Anderson	Tara Bahnfleth	Michelle & Micheyla Anderson
AUG. 30	Arlynn & Sharon Boelman	Margaret and Lonnie Svitak	Jeremy & Sharel Olson	Ethan Olson	Blake Olson	Margaret & Lonnie Svitak

If you're unable to serve as scheduled, please make your own trade and notify the Church Office.

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	COFFEE	GREETERS	USHERS	ACOLYTE	LECTOR	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
SEPT. 6	Charlie & Louise Skoglund	Steve & Julie Freese	Michelle & Micheyla A.	Katelyn Anderson	Margaret Svitak	Scott Krohn & Bob Lutz
SEPT. 13	Delores Olson	Rich & Kay Jaeger	Rich & Deb Olson	Elizabeth Broders	Jo Roberts	Tara & Becky Bahnfleth
SEPT. 20	Shirley Theil	Steve & Darla Jessen	Margaret & Lonnie Svitak	Zachary Cordner	Michelle Anderson	Shirley & Duane Theil
SEPT. 27	Mike & Nell Finkral	Shirley Theil	Nate & Darcy Metschke	Kelcie Hall	Connie Atkinson	Gary & Mary Weich

August Offering Counting Teams:

1st Dean & Doris Hoffart
 2nd Nell Finkral, Louise Skoglund
 3rd Marsha Burke, Rhonda Piske
 4th Darcy Metschke, Korrie Hall
 5th Nell Finkral, Louise Skoglund

Altar Guild: Michelle Anderson, Sharon Koeppe
 (paraments: green)

Communion Bread: Shirley Theil

Membership Care Team: Arlis Lind, Marilyn Nickols

September Offering Counting Teams:

1st Dean & Doris Hoffart
 2nd Nell Finkral, Louise Skoglund
 3rd Marsha Burke, Rhonda Piske
 4th Darcy Metschke, Korrie Hall

Altar Guild: Linda Cyboron, Mary Lund (paraments: green)

Communion Bread: Arlis Lind

Membership Care Team: Deb Olson, Delores Olson

Pastoral Acts

Funerals:

Donald Pohlman – Memorial services were held at Christ the Servant on May 24, 2015. Don was 79 years old and was born on May 24, 1935, in Stanton. He died April 14, 2015, in Sun City West, Arizona. Don is survived by his wife, Jean, and two children, Kent and Diane, and their families.

Diane Paulsen – Memorial services were held at Christ the Servant on May 30, 2015. Diane was 71 years old and was born on July 12, 1943. She died May 1, 2015, at St. Joseph's Care Center in Norfolk. Diane is survived by two daughters, Lorrie and Tammy, and their families.

Sheldon Lind – Funeral services were held at Christ the Servant on June 4, 2015. Sheldon was 89 years old and was born on August 21, 1925, in Wausa. He died May 30, 2015, at Bel Air Nursing Home in Norfolk. Sheldon is survived by his wife, Arlis, and three daughters, Lou, Renee, and Carlene, and their families.

Blessed be the lives of Don, Diane and Sheldon and the legacy of their faith that continues in their families. We give thanks to God that they have finished the race and the crown of righteousness has been given to them in Christ, our Savior and risen Lord!

New Members:

On Sunday, July 19, we welcomed two families into the fellowship and ministry of Christ the Servant. Please introduce yourself to them in the coming weeks and warmly welcome them into our midst.



Scott and Gina Kohn – Scott and Gina are from Pierce where Scott is employed by the Osmond hospital and Gina is an at-home medical transcriptionist. Their address is 121 East Willow Street, Pierce, 68767 (402) 329-6840.



Mick and Doreen Kullbom – Mick and Doreen recently moved from Prescott, Arizona, where Mick is a retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Army and Doreen was a legal secretary and church secretary for many years. Doreen is the sister of Lu Carter and the cousin of Jeanne Nicholson. Their address is 2615 Westside Avenue, Norfolk (402) 316-7715.

Board of Administration Meeting
Thursday, July 14, 2015
6:15 p.m.

Present: Greg Moen, Steve Jessen, Ginger Beckman
Absent: None

Greg opened the meeting with prayer. Last month's minutes were previously approved electronically. Ginger provided an update on the childcare director position, which is still open. The ad will be run again and the opening should be posted on the childcare program's Facebook page. Steve provided the profit/loss statement for the year through the end of June. Basically, we are \$10,000 in arrears. The Tanzania account is at zero as the money has been wired to Tanzania. It was clarified that the childcare program's money is in the general account. The money in Missions & Growth will be moved into the general fund to cover the unbudgeted item of Pastor Garry (mediation). Money for Military Bible Sticks should have been sent to them last year; this account balance should be zero. Also, there is money in the Worship fund, but it is unknown what it is for. Greg reported that, as part of the budget review process, he learned that CTS is paying twice for Internet, through Century Link and Cable One. Since we can't cancel with Century Link without paying a penalty, we will likely cancel Cable One and bundle our Internet and phone service through the phone company. Next year, with the new budget, we can designate things, such as separating postage from office supplies, but we can't change designations in the middle of the year.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Rogers, Administrative Assistant

Joint Board Meeting
Thursday, July 14, 2015
8:30 p.m.

Present: Charlie Skoglund, Margaret Svitak, Linda Cyboron, Mary Weich, Pastor Steve, Brian Anderson, Greg Moen, Steve Jessen
Absent: Ginger Beckman, Pastor Matt, Becky Bahnfleth

Greg shared regarding the childcare director position and the financial report (copies provided). Pastor Steve shared that the \$2,500 in the worship fund was donated by a member to be used for banners. Brian shared that the worship committee is getting quotes for such. Greg reported that the budget review committee has been meeting weekly for about 3 hours on Thursday evenings. They will meet again this week, and Greg will be here on Sunday to present their findings during the Quarterly Mission Meeting.

Greg shared that Joan Falke is interested in serving on the board of administration in the Stewardship position. The nominating committee (Charlie, Linda, Mary and Pastor Steve) approved her nomination, which runs through April of next year. Greg will call Joan and let her know. If elected by the congregation at the annual meeting, her term would be for 3 years.

The agenda for this Sunday's quarterly mission meeting was discussed and set.

The next board meetings will be Tuesday, August 18, at 6:00 p.m.

Pastor Steve led the closing prayer. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Rogers, Administrative Assistant

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL OVERSIGHT

Margaret Svitak, Chair/President of Congregation
Outreach—Linda Cyboron
Worship—Brian Anderson
Fellowship—Mary Weich
Discipleship—Charlie Skoglund
Service—Becky Bahnfleth

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Greg Moen, Chair/Vice President of Congregation
Finance—Steve Jessen
Administration/Staff Support—Ginger Beckman
Stewardship—Joan Falke
Building/Grounds—[OPEN]
Property/Equipment—[OPEN]

Christ the Servant—A Journey of Faith

- 1976 — Parsonage and six acres purchased for building site
- 1976 — Certificate of incorporation received May 3
- 1976 — First worship service Nov. 21 at Veterans Home chapel
- 1977 — Chartering meeting held on Jan. 19; 96 members received Jan. 23
- 1977 — Groundbreaking ceremonies held September 18
- 1978 — CTS moves into current building June 18; the church is dedicated in September
- 1986 — Pastor Steve accepts call in July, arrives October 19
- 1988 — Christ the Servant joins the ELCA
- 1991 — Groundbreaking on addition held March 10, dedicated Nov. 24
- 2001 — Christ the Servant marks its 25th anniversary
- 2010 — CTS members vote to leave ELCA, join LCMC May 2
- 2011 — Pastor Matt called June 27, arrives August 29

