



CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN

NOVEMBER 2022

Birthdays

Brenda Beaudette	11/1
Aaron Weich, 10	11/4
Charlie Skoglund	11/6
Rich Jaeger	11/12
Janie Weich, 6	11/14
Richard Hillrichs	11/15
Julie Freese	11/17
Donna Young	11/21
Jerry Beaudette	11/22
Wanda Muhs	11/22
Dallas Puls	11/22
Micheyla Anderson	11/24
Riley Petersen, 13	11/27
Heather Quaid	11/27

Anniversaries

Rich & Deb Olson	11/6/76
Mike & Nell Finkral	11/20/71
Doug & Pat Witte	11/27/70
Bill Thoendel & Lu Carter	11/30/96

WARMTH, PEACE AND PAJAMAS

The Salvation Army is again collecting pajamas. Please consider making either a monetary donation or buying a new pair of pajamas. Checks made payable to The Norfolk Salvation Army Pajama Project can be dropped off or mailed to the Salvation Army, 610 West Norfolk Avenue. New pajamas can be dropped off at the Salvation Army; Anytime Fitness (2118 Market Lane); or the radio stations at 309 Braasch Avenue.

Deadline is **Thursday, December 15**. All sizes are in great need, in addition to socks, mittens, hats and scarves.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for taking time in sending me your birthday wishes or attending my birthday party. You helped make my 90th birthday a very memorable one! Thank you!
— Wendell Hahne

Local Benevolence

Food Pantry/Good Neighbors \$265.50

Calendar of Events

Sundays: Sunday school at 9, worship at 10

Mondays: Bible study at 7 (Facebook)

Wednesdays: meal/Bible study at 6/6:30

Nov. 3 9:00 PieceMakers quilting

Nov. 4 6:30 Girl Scouts

Nov. 6 seasonal decorating after worship

Nov. 13 Thank-offering Sunday; potluck

Nov. 15 6:30 Grief Share

Nov. 17 2:00 Card Club

Nov. 17 6:00 MOPS

Nov. 17 6:30 Council meeting

Nov. 18 6:30 Girl Scouts

Nov. 20 annual congregational meeting

Nov. 23 7:00 Thanksgiving Eve service

Nov. 24 Happy Thanksgiving (office closed)

Nov. 27 seasonal decorating after worship

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From the Pastor – November 2022

Fall, the changing of the colors, the changing of the seasons, a time to think and reflect on the past month and maybe past year. During this time we find ourselves regretting what we have not done and yet we should be celebrating all that has been accomplished.



I would challenge each of you to see the growth you have made. Where has God been in the midst of your lives? What have you accomplished and maybe more important what are you being challenged to do?

For many this past year has been a time of separation and now it is time to renew the friendships and relationships in various parts of our lives. For some returning to old ways has taken a new life and there are new ways to explore. I challenge each of you to not leave the God of creation out of the journey you are making. I invite you each to return to the fellowship of the church. Always know that the church is the place for the broken, the wounded, the sinners of the world. The church is not about being perfect and whole.

I encourage each of you to reach out to your neighbors, to your friends, invite them to come and see what the story is for us now. Know that if we wish to begin new Bible studies, new groups, we can... nothing is stopping us from that becoming a reality.

Come and be thankful in this season for the many blessings we have, for those friends and family who have journeyed with us and now support us. God's Peace, Pastor Cindy

CTS Council Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2022

Tara opened meeting with devotion and prayer.

Michelle Anderson was guest at meeting. Michelle talked of her call and decision to attend St. Paul Seminary in Texas. She will be taking classes online and continue to work full-time. This will take her 3 to 3 ½ years to complete. When complete with studies she will be able to assist Pastor Cindy in most everything except weddings. She would also be able to be a supply Pastor for the district churches. Michelle asked if the council would consider any financial help. Cost of classes are \$350.00 a month.

Pastor said that Michelle could receive \$1500.00 from the Heartland District in financial aid. Greg made motion to support Michelle by giving \$350.00 from the Mission and Growth fund for the months of Sept. Oct. Nov. and Dec. and add to the budget for 2023. Tara seconded the motion. Council approved with Brian abstaining.

Greg moved to accept August council minutes with revision to include Timeline on Meetings and budget approval. Revision made. Tara seconded.

Greg reported \$5800.00 positive for the month of August. Greg suggested that the Local Benevolence be included in the Sunday bulletin to let members know where it was donated each month. Will get with Kathy to include item in bulletin.

Brian made motion to take bid for concrete work on the garage floor of the parsonage. Work would cost between \$6000 to \$8000. Funds would come out of emergency fund. Tara seconded and council approved.

Remainder of meeting spent discussing budget.

Next meeting October 20 at the parsonage.

Brian closed meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Sheppard

		Oct 5, 22	
	Designated Giving Checking Acct		
	DG Church Emergency Fund	8,619.35	
	DG Good Samaritan Fund	2,017.76	
	DG Memorials	7,489.91	
	DG Missions/Growth	4,065.71	
	DG Special Projects (Kitchen)	17,636.41	
	DG Tanzania Travel	9,088.20	
	DG Worship Fund	2,323.47	
	DG Youth Checking Account	3,520.49	
	Interest-Designated Checking	4.06	
	Total Designated Giving Checking Acct	54,765.36	
	General Checking	46,987.44	

A FEW NOTES FROM THE CONGREGATION COUNCIL

TRUNK OR TREAT

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Trunk or Treat and Anniversary event on Sunday, October 16th! We especially want to thank Elizabeth Broders for coordinating everything. There were nearly 100 people that came through our row of trunks to get some candy and cupcakes, many of whom had never been to CTS before. This is a community outreach success! You can find photos of the event on the CTS Facebook page. Way to go Elizabeth! And, thanks again to all who participated.

THE GRASS IS GROWING!

A big thank you to all who were involved in the work on the west slope. There are too many people to list here, but please know that you are appreciated. And, thank you to all who are continuing to monitor and water as needed. The grass is growing nicely and looks fantastic so far. We also want to say thanks to those involved in the removal of the tree from the west side of the building. It looks great! The grass is growing there as well, and we won't have to worry as much about clogged gutters. Well done!

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The CTS Annual Meeting is coming up on Sunday, November 20 following worship. Along with voting on the 2023 budget, we will also be voting on a couple of amendments to our constitution. One amendment will change the number of members required to form the congregation council from the current 10 to a range of 5 to 11. The amendment will also state the preference of having an odd number to prevent a tie. As the size of our congregation changes, so does the number of members needed for the council. The size of the council also depends on the number of those who may be interested in serving in this capacity. The second amendment to our constitution deals with voting at a congregational meeting. Our constitution currently states that absentee votes and proxy votes are not allowed, meaning you MUST be present. We are going to modify this slightly to add the option of participating in a meeting and voting via Zoom or online conference. This will allow someone who is not present for a vote to participate online during the meeting and cast their vote at the same time as those physically present for the meeting are casting their ballots. These items will be up for discussion prior to the vote on November 20th, but feel free to reach out to any of the congregational council members with your thoughts. You will all receive a copy of the proposed budget and the proposed constitutional amendments on November 6th, which is two weeks prior to the meeting. If approved, the amendments will go into effect right away, but will need to be ratified by the congregation at the semi-annual meeting in April.

Kitchen Update

It has been a few months since there has been an update about the kitchen.

We have met with two different contractors along with the city inspectors for building and the electrician/plumbing. There are some changes that deal with city code the kitchen committee needs to discuss before the plans are brought to the council and then the congregation.

Be watching for some fundraisers coming up in the next few months. The information will be sent via email, weekly bulletin, PowerPoint and Facebook.

If it has been placed upon your heart to give towards the kitchen remodel, you may give by check and in the memo write Kitchen Fund.

Blessings, The Kitchen Committee

Michelle Anderson
Tara Peters
Louise Skoglund
Mary Weich

CTS Women's group Fall meeting minutes October 15, 2022

We had 6 members present. Brenda Beaudette opened the meeting with a prayer and devotions.

Treasurer's report: As of 9/17/22 balance is \$2,241.74

Old Business: There are two chairs that need to be refinished for the library and a little bit more organizing of items in the library.

New Business:

Holiday Boutique is Saturday, October 29, 2022. There will be a Women's group table. Please bring any baked goods or craft items you would like to donate for the table.

We will be decorating the church for Fall on Sunday, November 6 after church. Please feel free to bring items that you would like to use for decorating.

Thank Offering Sunday will be November 13, 2022. All donations will go to the Norfolk Food Pantry.

Christmas decorating will be Sunday, November 27 after church. We will also hold a short Women's group meeting to discuss a couple year end items. All church members are invited to help with decorating, especially our church men and younger individuals to help with lifting or hanging items. Pizza will be provided for everyone.

Saturday, December 3 or December 10, will be the annual Rescue Mission meal. More information will be provided as plans are made.

We will be hosting the Spring Heartland District Women of the Word (WOW) meeting. This will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023. More information will be given as we plan.

President Brenda Beaudette