

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN  
JULY 2023



*Happy Birthday*

Jesse Meyer, July 6  
Brian Anderson, July 16  
Jerry Hayes, July 22  
Lu Carter, July 23  
Michelle Anderson, July 24  
Bill Thoendel, July 24  
Connie Atkinson, July 30  
Susie Lutz, July 31

*Happy Anniversary*

Charlie & Louise Skoglund, July 20  
Ron & Cindy Cone, July 28

*Calendar of Events*

*(Sundays in bold)*

**7/2 10:00 worship**  
7/3 7:00 Bible study (Facebook)  
7/4 office closed  
7/5 6/6:30 meal/Bible study  
7/6 9:00 PieceMakers quilting  
7/8 VBS all ages 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
**7/9 VBS all ages 9 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
**Worship at 10, potluck at 11**  
7/10 7:00 Bible study (Facebook)  
7/12 6/6:30 meal/Bible study  
7/13 2:00 Bible study  
7/14-15 Peters rummage sale @ CTS

**7/16 10:00 worship**

12:00 fellowship hall reserved

7/17 7:00 Bible study (Facebook)

7/19 6/6:30 meal/Bible study

7/20 2:00 card club

6:30 council meeting

**7/23 10:00 worship**

7/24 7:00 Bible study (Facebook)

7/26 6/6:30 meal/Bible study

7/27 2:00 Bible study

**7/30 10:00 worship**

*food pantry Sunday*

7/31 7:00 Bible study (Facebook)

**OFFICE HOURS CHANGING**

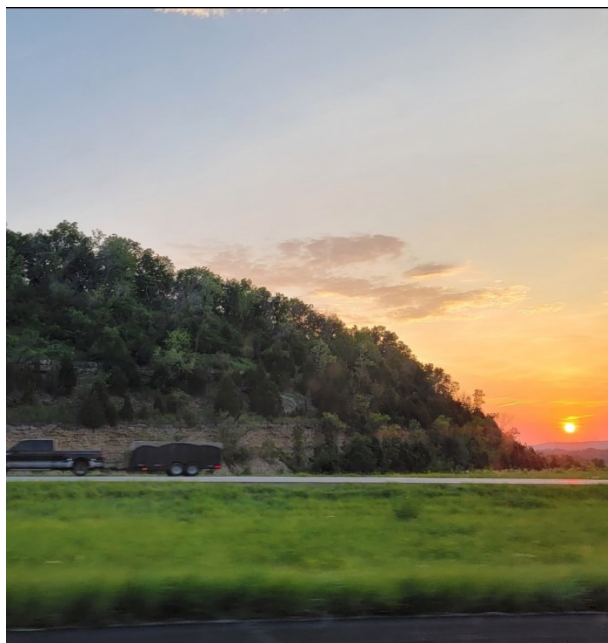
Beginning the week of August 7, the church office will be **closed Fridays**. Office hours will be Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed for lunch from noon to 1:00).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

"Last Man Down" Sept. 9

## From the Pastor – July 2023

Sunsets, a reminder of what we have done during the day and yet the hope of what the future will bring. As we begin and end our days, let us each stop and give thanks to an amazing God who gives us the opportunity to enjoy this world and life.



As we begin this next month, much is happening, keep track of the awesome opportunities for each of us to grow, to bloom, and to share the story of God with others. We begin the month in celebration of our country's birth. We need to more than ever, continue to hold our country in our prayers and our leaders that they have strength to guide and lead us.

We then move into a weekend of Moses and the Great Escape Bible school, July 8 and 9, for all ages from 2-92. Come one and all to join in learning about Moses and his journey. We will have food, fun and fellowship and on Sunday will share in the joy of our potluck and water games, for the kids and kids at heart.

July 14 and 15 are next and we have a rummage sale for supporting Tara and Nevin in their adoption process, come and spend some money and help them out. We also have the Heartland District Meeting in Seward happening at the same time, but it will be a great meeting, come and see what the District is up to....see Pastor for more info.

Watch the flyers, the newsletter, the website calendar and your email about events....lots of amazing things are happening.

We will be continuing our journey through the Apostle's Creed on Sundays, Mondays take us on the journey of Exodus, Wednesdays we are walking through the Ten Commandments, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays Matthew is the topic of conversation. We have many opportunities for each of us to be involved....don't forget out quilting, cards and even more.

See you soon, Shalom, Pastor Cindy

CTS Council Meeting  
May 18, 2023

Present: Brian Anderson, Greg Moen, Brenda Beaudette, Linda Shaffer, Tara Peters, Jared Weich, Linda Sheppard, Pastor Cindy

Jared opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes: Tara moved to approve the April meeting minutes, Greg seconded. Minutes approved.

Financials: Pastor's pension amount has been corrected.

The bill for the concrete in the parsonage garage has been paid in the amount of \$7,300.

There is \$11,000 in checking. CDs mature in October. So far \$2,000 positive for the year. Need to put some plans in place for big expenditures. August benevolence will go to Mosaic.

Financial report approved.

Building and Grounds: Jared will put together estimates for window replacement. Window in the church office is especially bad. Another garden hose will be purchased to make watering the west slope easier. There is a water leak in the faucet in front of the church. This will need to be fixed and the grading in that spot.

Pastor's report: Close to being done with the directory. The Gideons will be here to speak at services on June 4. Council approved to give a gift of \$200. Pastor talked about partnering with Mosaic and making a pledge to them. Pastor will take vacation from August 10-15. Services will be covered. Pastor is planning a sermon series for June on the Apostle's Creed.

Council talked about the kitchen project and will request the committee to present information at congregational meeting on June 11.

VBS will be July 8 and 9.

A Bible study will be added on 2nd and 4th Thursdays with Richard Hillrichs teaching.

Sunday school will resume Sept. 10 with the last class on April 28, 2024.

Linda Shaffer closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Sheppard

		<b>Jun 7, 23</b>
	<b>Designated Giving Checking Acct</b>	
	DG Church Emergency Fund	8,619.35
	DG Good Samaritan Fund	1,210.91
	DG Memorials	6,679.52
	DG Missions/Growth	3,365.71
	DG Special Projects (Kitchen)	19,596.73
	DG Tanzania Travel	9,088.20
	DG Worship Fund	2,323.47
	DG Youth Checking Account	3,546.89
	Interest-Designated Checking	276.95
	<b>Designated Giving Checking Acct - Other(Fidelity)</b>	<b>-49,250.00</b>
	<b>Total Designated Giving Checking Acct</b>	<b>5,457.73</b>
	<b>Fidelity Investment</b>	
	CD's	73,000.00
	Money Market	8,395.60
	<b>Total Fidelity Investment</b>	<b>81,395.60</b>
	<b>General Checking</b>	<b>18,457.64</b>

## Women of Christ the Servant

June 10, 2023

There were 10 women present. Brenda read a devotion. Kay gave the treasurer's report.

June is usually when we reveal our names to our Secret Prayer Sisters, and Brenda forgot to let everyone know before the meeting. Therefore, you can reveal your name to your Secret Prayer Sister at any time. If you are not able to do so, you can let Brenda know and she can make sure your Secret Prayer Sister knows as she has the list in a sealed envelope. New Secret Prayer Sister forms will be available soon on the back table. The turn-in date will be announced soon.

June is also the election of officers. Brenda offered to do another year as President. Kay will continue for another year as Treasurer. Mary Weich was nominated for Vice president. A nomination is still needed for Secretary. If anyone is interested, please let Brenda know.

We discussed upcoming meetings and events. The next Women of CTS meeting will be Saturday, August 19 at 9:30 am. Mary will have devotion. The final meeting for 2023 will be December 2. Kay will do devotions.

Shirley discussed CTS Love Meals and the need for volunteers to deliver meals. These are generally for those that have had surgery, a life event, etc., and it's hard to prepare meals for a short time. Please speak to Shirley or Nell if you can help deliver meals or have questions.

Vacation Bible School will be Saturday, July 8 and Sunday July 9. The theme is Moses. This is open to all ages, children and adults.

We received a letter from a gentleman from Pierce who does a short presentation, "Last Man Down" about a FDNY firefighter that helped with the 911 rescues. We decided this would be a good program to host and it will be open to the public. This event will be on Saturday, September 9 from 11:00 – 2:00. Please watch for more information to come.

Margaret noted that the Holiday Boutique will be Saturday, October 7. This is an earlier date so that we can have several outdoor vendors.

Michelle had information about Project Linus. The chapter here is the only one in Nebraska. Because of this, they have to raise \$500 each year to help with the costs of supplies and delivery of blankets for children in need. Michelle suggested that we give a small donation each year and also ask Church Council if they can be put on the benevolence list of giving. Brenda will present this at the next Council meeting.