

Psalm 107:21

The Christogram

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!

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Christ Lutheran Mission Statement

To proclaim Christ's saving love, share
 the Gospel, and serve God's people.

Serving in September**September 4**

Elder Carlos Orellana
Lector P.J. Nunez
Ushers
Greeters Joanne Shepker and Barbara Joost
Audio Kyle Welch
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
 GFX/Stream: Robin Fox

September 11

Elder Lee Crapo
Lector
Ushers
Greeters Joanne Shepker and Barbara Joost
Audio Maria Hazzard
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
 GFX/Stream: Robin Fox

September 18

Elder Steve Rosane
Lector Kim Kaniecki
Ushers
Greeters Jim and Carol Kloha
Audio Kyle Welch
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
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September 25

Elder Steve Rosane
Lector
Ushers
Greeters Robert and Cheryl Langanke
Audio Maria Hazzard
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
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ALTAR GUILD SERVICES

Helen Borgwardt and Gwen Snook

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP @ 5:30 PM

Elder Lee Crapo/ Steve Rosane (9/10)
Lector Rick Smith/Gerie Slaten
Audio Lee Crapo/Robin Fox



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Paper Pumpkin @ 6:30p	2	3 5:30p Worship
4 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Elders Meeting	5 Labor Day Church Office Closed	6 Quilters @ 10A Trustee/Wkday Outreach mtg @ 5:30 p	7 Bible Study @ Noon Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30	8	9	10 5:30p Worship
11 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship	12 Council Mtg @ 6:30p	13 Quilters @ 10A Trustee/Wkday	14 Mary Martha Mtg. @ 9a Bible Study @ Noon Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30	15	16	17 5:30p Worship
18 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Communication Board Mtg	19 9 AM Deadline for Newsletter items	20 Quilters @ 10A Trustee/Wkday	21 NO Bible Study NO Private Com.	22	23	24 5:30p Worship
FL/GA Region Pastor's Conference						
25 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Stewardship Mtg	26	27 Quilters @ 10A Trustee/Wkday	28 Bible Study @ Noon Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30	29 Paper Pumpkin @ 6:30p	30	
LWML Convention thru Oct. 1st						

Bulletin announcements are due each Tuesday by 9:00 a.m.

The Infirm and The Homebound

*Remember to keep these
people in your daily
prayers.*

Vi Bertsch
Sen & Dale Campbell
Ken & Joanne Ditton
Donita Duncan
Marilyn Gillette
Hazel Gust
J.B. Hahn
Katherine Hamann
Sally Henning
Al Herman
Fran Klug
Dorothy Lovelace
Don & Nancy Matter
Nell Morgan
Fran Murphy
George Reichart
Lois Smith
Norma Tipton
Amy Wilson



Charles Henning	9/4
Betty Davenport.....	9/11
Helen Gavin	9/13
John Freer.....	9/14
Tom Funtsch.....	9/16
Joanne Wehrwein	9/17
Michael Thomas.....	9/17
Martha Bolton.....	9/23
Sylvia Willis	9/23
Keith Kallstrom	9/25
Lorie Bielec.....	9/25



George and Rita Czanko	9/1 (48 yrs.)
Donald and Nancy Matter	9/28 (65 yrs.)
Dawn and Troy Peters.....	9/29 (10 yrs.)



Thank you to Debbie and Rick Smith who served for the month of August. Helen Borgwardt and Gwen Snook will be serving for the month of September. Thank you for your service to the Lord and Christ Lutheran Church.

Baptismal Birthday Blessing

(Leader reads:)

Loving God,

You created all the people of the world, and you know each of us by name. We thank you for *(Name)* who celebrates the anniversary of *his/her* baptism. Bless *him/her* with your love, that *he/she* may grow in wisdom, knowledge, and grace. May *he/she* love *his/her* family always, and be ever faithful to God. Grant this through Christ our Lord. (All:) **Amen**

(Place your hands on the person's head or shoulders.)

May God, in whose presence our ancestors walked, bless you (All:) **Amen**

May God, who has been your shepherd from birth until now, keep you. (All :) **Amen**

May God, who saves you from all harm, give you peace. (All:) **Amen and Amen**

Cathy Sterns	9/1
Janice Newman	9/2
Cheryl Erwin.....	9/10
Cindy Cavanaugh.....	9/20
Donna Grant.....	9/21
Sandra Spanier	9/24
Barbara Miller.....	9/28
Joanne Wehrwein	9/30



DON'T FORGET BAGS FOR TALBOT HOUSE —

Keep up the good works! Every month we have filled at least two large containers. Sometimes we have overflow! The Outreach committee thanks you for your generosity-and asks that you continue to help the less fortunate. Food donations: canned soups, vegetables, fruit, and meat; menu staples such as flour, sugar, spices; Household needs-cleaning supplies, paper products i.e. napkins, paper towels, toilet paper; personal hygiene items-toothpaste, toothbrush, denture tablets, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner. Please check your expiration dates. Talbot House cannot use out dated goods. We might do that in our own homes, but they are not allowed to do so. Your clean used clothing is also welcome. Please make sure zippers work , buttons fasten, and there are no stains. Talbot House doesn't have a committee to repair clothes. The collection boxes are in the mail room at the back of the church.

We also have a new medicine collection box. Please black out your name. Someone from Outreach will take the medicine to Talbot House. Their driver is not allowed to pick up drugs.

If you have unused hearing aids, please put them in Pastor Jerry Munz' mail box. He will take them to Central Florida Speech and Hearing Center where they can be refurbished and given to people in need. "Since God in His mercy has given us this ministry, we never lose heart."

II Corinthians 4:1



From the Pastor.....

God's math

³¹ *So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.*
(Acts 9:31)

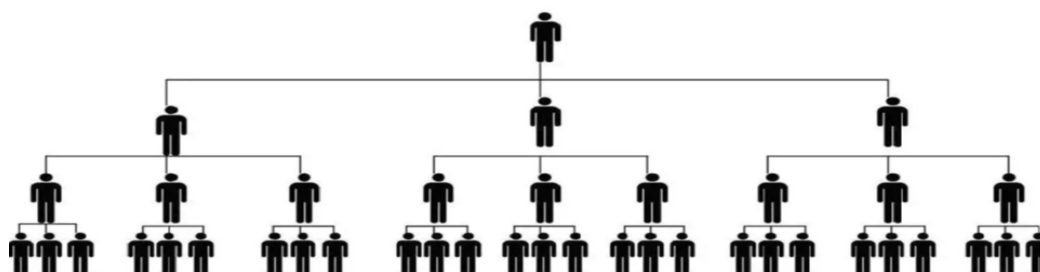
Subtraction: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod is shrinking. According to a February 28, 2017, post in the *Reporter*, the LCMS had a membership of 2,772,648 in 1971. In 2020, the LCMS reported 1,861,129 members, a loss of 911,519 members since 1971. There are about a third fewer members in the LCMS now than there was fifty years ago. According to the statistics available for Christ Lutheran Church, our attendance averaged 220 a week in 2012; last year's average attendance was 110 (Source: <https://locator.lcms.org/church/C/491492>). Almost all congregations throughout our country have seen a similar dynamic of subtraction, and the sad thing is that we are doing better than most.

Addition: We rejoice with each person who hears the Good News of the Gospel and receives God's gift of faith in the waters of Baptism. We rejoice whenever anyone calls upon the name of the Lord and is saved (Romans 10:13). We rejoice when people start to worship with us and officially join. Any gain, no matter how incremental, is cause of celebration.

Multiplication: At times throughout history, the church in certain areas and among certain peoples has experienced explosive growth. The congregations of the New Testament era multiplied rapidly as the Good News of Jesus radiated for Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth by the power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). The LCMS experienced explosive growth from 1865 to 1885, and again in the 1950s (Source: *Next Steps for LCMS Multiplication: Two Actions to Reignite a Gospel Movement* - Michael W. Newman in *Lutheran Mission Matters* 27, no. 2 (2019) at <https://lsfm.global/>). While we cannot presume to know where God will rapidly grow Christ's church, we have a certain, realistic hope that the church will continue to prevail until Christ returns. We preach Christ and Him crucified, the most important message that the world needs to hear. God is still at work loving and saving a world that He would have turn to him.

How can the Lord use you to multiply faith in the world?

Pastor Chris



Mary Martha

The Mary Marthas will meet September 14th at 9am. The hostesses will be the Mary Martha officers. All ladies in the congregation are invited. See you there!



Christmas Surprise!

Last month we promised you an early Christmas surprise-and here it is. The Christmas decorating committee has felt that the Fellowship hall has been a bit neglected in the past years. We now have a tree to put in the stage area. Then someone suggested decorating the tree with Christmas ornaments with each family's name. What a great idea! We at Christ consider ourselves family, and what a great way to show that the body of Christ has many parts. So, a decorated Christmas box will be placed on the stage beginning Labor Day weekend. We ask that you donate an unbreakable ornament that you have written your name on. We suggest using a black sharpie for writing. We prefer ornaments that are not Santa Claus oriented. Won't it be fun to see all the different ornaments on the tree!

Mary Martha Cookbook

Please continue to donate recipes for our cookbook. We would like recipes from everyone-this is not limited to Mary-Martha members. Write your recipe on a 3x5 card -make sure to print neatly-and include a name for the recipe and your name. We need appetizers, main dishes, casseroles, breads, cookies, etc. We know we have good cooks in the congregation!

Mary Martha Quilters

Mary Martha Quilters will begin meeting again beginning September on each Tuesday from 10am - Noon.



CLC CHRISTMAS BAZAAR PREPARATIONS



It's time again to reserve a space for the Christ Lutheran Church Christmas Bazaar & Craft Sale. This year the sale will be on Saturday, December 3, 2022 8:30A – 1:00P. The non-refundable fee for inside the Fellowship Hall is still just \$25.00 which includes two chairs and an approx. 8X6 space which is air conditioned or if you would rather be outside in the courtyard a space is \$20. Both options have electricity available, you will need to supply your own extension cord. You can bring your own table but it must fit in the 8X6 space or you can rent a table from Christ Lutheran Church (CLC) for \$10.00, please let me know if you want a table when you reserve your space. Space is first come first serve. Make checks payable to CLC Church with "Bazaar" written in the memo line. Each vendor is ask to donate one item from their table for the Door Prize table. For more information or questions, please contact Belinda Freer at johnjuke2@aol.com or call 863-602-5159. Proceeds will be given to a local non-profit.

Stewardship Corner

The Exalted State of Servanthood



Martin Luther, the author of the Reformation which we celebrate at the end of October, wrote, "A Christian is a perfectly free lord of all, subject to none. A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject to all." Perhaps those two sentences appear at first to be contradictory. What Luther was trying to help us understand is that we, as Christians, are called to freedom from an obligation to serve, but that we are called to the freedom to serve joyfully.

This call to joyful servanthood is understood and often scoffed at, simply because we have confused servanthood with servitude. Servitude conveys the idea of bondage and even slavery. Servanthood, on the other hand, connotes voluntary service, joyful giving of ourselves, a willing choice to help others, and selfless commitment.

One who is involved in servitude serves unwillingly out of a sense of fear and has no hope of entering into a different state, while one involved in servanthood lives in an exalted state, a healthy and uplifting climate of helping others. Even though challenges must be overcome and problems may abound, the joy of servanthood is the overriding experience.

How do we get from a state of servitude to a state of servanthood? This transition is made when we properly understand the Word of God which clearly defines servanthood by explaining Christ's purpose in coming to Earth: "...the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). Jesus has lived the perfect life of the servant in our places, so we no longer are constrained to try to "measure up" to what God expects. The Law never saves, never enables us; only shows us our shortcomings.

When we look at Christ, though, and how He lived His earthly life and what He has done for us, we are freed to respond with heartfelt, sincere, loving service to those He has placed around us. The acts of service we render are the same; the motivation and attitude are what make the difference. Through Christ, we are elevated to the exalted state of servanthood.

Once again, October brings the season when we focus on our time, talents and treasures to the Lord. As I stated in the Voter's Meeting, the Time and Talent Sheets will go out only to those who haven't turned one in yet. We are trying to establish a good data base for the talents within our congregation that can be used to bless those around us. If you find one in your mailbox, this means we don't have one on record for you and would greatly appreciate you completing it. The Treasure Pledge sheet will go out to all members. It will remain as it was last year and be placed in the "Pledge Bowl" up front again.

Let us focus our eyes and hearts on the "servanthood" of our Christian walk and make every effort to give and do our best for our Lord and His people, as He has done and is doing for us!

God bless your month ahead!

In Christ,

Kim Kaniecki



Looking for Christ Lutheran in social media? Check us out at our website: www.clclakeland.org
 Feel free to leave comments! We are also on Facebook at: Christ Lutheran Church Lakeland-LCMS. Please like, follow, and share on your Facebook page. You may also leave comments on our Facebook page.

Outreach

Collections

No, we don't have a bad debt department! This is a list of collections that the Outreach Committee is doing. Our collection boxes are in the mail room at the back of the church. Please look for the labels on the boxes, so your donations are going to the right area!

Talbot House

We collect gently used clothing-men and women's. Zippers should work, have no stains, and buttons should be in place. We also have an on going collection of canned goods. These are used either in the kitchen at Talbot House or for their food pantry. SNAP does not allow food stamps to be used for cleaning supplies or personal care. Paper goods-toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, plates are always needed. Dish washing soap, floor cleaners, furniture polish, multi-purpose cleaners are always needed too. Canned goods can either be



regular size or the #10 size you purchase like at Sam's club. Vegetables, fruits, meat, soup, etc. are all needed. Baking supplies-flour, sugar, and spices are always high demand items. Our regular pick up date is the second Tuesday of every month. These collections are on the right hand side as you enter the mail room. Talbot House boxes are closest to the back window.

On the table, next to the Talbot House boxes are smaller collection boxes. One says eye-glasses. These will be shared with a lady from Our Savior, Zephyrhills, who will take them to MOST ministries. MOST are short term mission trips that take eye glasses where they are needed.

We also have a collection box for used medicines. It is also on the table next to the Talbot House boxes. Please black out your name and other pertinent information, but leave the name of the medication visible. If you have empty bottles, you can bring those too. The empty bottles are used to measure out shampoo or liquid soap for the residents at Talbot House. Pastor Munz or another member of the Outreach committee has to take the medicine to Talbot House. Their drivers are not allowed to handle the medicines.



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Honduras Mission

Under the table in the mail room, we have boxes for donations to the Honduras Mission. We collect gently used clothing for men, women, and children. Carlos Orellana then will be in charge of shipping or taking with him on one of his mission trips. The men and women's clothes should be smaller sizes-small or medium. Children's clothing in all sizes is needed. IF you have other items that you think they might use, check with Carlos first.

Hearing Aids

If you have used hearing aids, please put them in Pastor Munz's mailbox with your name attached if you would like a donation receipt. Pastor Jerry will take them to the Central FL Speech and Hearing center to be refurbished..

VISTE and Senior Orphans are two other local organizations. VISTE is to serve the elderly and Senior Orphans serves those who exist on small Social Security checks of \$600/month. These two organizations especially need water proof adult diapers, and under pads. If you have these, please contact Pastor Jerry and he will take them to the right place.

These are all of our ongoing ministries. From time to time, there may be other collections by Mary-Martha, Youth Group, etc. However you choose to share your blessings, do so with a grateful heart!

Outreach thanks all of you for your continued support!



Help! I need help!



Many people have needed help with the increases in food, housing, etc. Following is a list of some resources. Christ Lutheran Church is not responsible for any inaccuracies. This list is meant to only be a tool.

Food:

VISTE: Volunteers in Service to the Elderly, 1232 E. Magnolia, Lakeland, 33801
Phone: 863-284-0828

They provide food assistance, transportation to appointments, hot meals and personal care boxes. VISTE has also helped to build wheel chair ramps, provide grab bars, etc.

Feeding Tamp Bay: Phone 813-254-1190 This organization works with many food pantries and Kids Back Pack organization. The easiest way to access is to use feedingtampabay.org
There is a calendar that will tell what is available in Polk county-where and when.

MEDICATIONS:

These are resources for those who find their copays are too high.

Lilly Cares: lillycares.com or 1-800-548-6962 Drugs covered are Insulin, Trulicity, Prozac, Cymbalta, etc. There is a form that you would take to your doctor, have them fax, and drugs are delivered to you. Lilly has a generous income allowance as to who may qualify. Many drugs are free according to income guidelines.

RX Assistance: 1-888-344-8915 You have to call to see if your drug is covered.

FL State assistance: 1-800-772-1213 This program basically helps only those who have social security.

Needy meds: 1-800-503-6897 You will have to call to see if they can help with your medication cost.

Health Well Foundation: 1-800-675-8416 Again, you will have to call to

My AbbvieAssist.com: 1-800-222-6885 call or check the website for covered drugs

These web sites have been of significant help to us with our medication cost, I hope they will help others!

Joyce Munz

Why Serve?



Every year at this time the Church Council appoints a special committee called The Nominating Committee. The Council has given the Nominating Committee a daunting but yet an awesome task. They are to find people who are willing to serve. Each year the Nominating Committee pull out their hair trying to find people who will answer the “call” to serve.

This is not because the Nominating Committee did not pray. This is not because they did not try. This is not because they did not do their best to find candidates to fill the number of positions on the Church Council. You do not need to wait for them to contact you. Please pray. Please approach the Nominating Committee and place your name to serve on the Church Council.

Jerry Munz

Our College Students

Below are the address's for two of our college students if you would like to reach out to them.

Levi Hazzard
VSU 9037
1500 N. Patterson St.
Valdosta, GA 31698

Skylar Peterson
47020401 Springs Complex
Gainesville, FL 32612-4701



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Fellowship Hour will be starting up again October 2nd. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet located in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please call Belinda Freer at 863-602-5159.





July 2022

Dear Friends and Family,

I'll get right to the big news of the month - our baby girl was born a little early! Meet Lucy Christine Wehling, born at 4:10 pm on July 12 weighing 6 lbs 4 oz. Alicia woke up that morning around 5 am and her water had broken, so we headed to the hospital and didn't come back until we had Lucy! The delivery went well, and she and Alicia are doing great - thank you, God!



The day after Lucy was born Alicia's parents came down to Texas to visit and help us adjust to life with a newborn - thank goodness! And this past weekend we had family from both sides come down to meet Lucy and celebrate her baptism (done by her Grandpa Wehling!)



Alicia and I love finally getting to see and hold Lucy. Lucy loves giving me diapers to change and waking me up for some daddy-daughter quality time at 2 am. We wouldn't have it any other way.

Thank you all for your prayers for Alicia and Lucy throughout her pregnancy and our move to Texas. We continue to ask for your prayers as we figure out how to take care of a baby (and ourselves), and also as we await our final housing for the year to open up. We are looking forward to soon settling in to our house, and for making Texas and St. John feel like home for a year.



Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

"You were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God." 1 Corinthians 6:11

Caleb, Alicia, and Lucy

Christ Lutheran Church Council Meeting in a Nutshell
By Robin Fox, Council Secretary, August 13 2022



Treasure: Jon Lindstrom

For the month of July our actual income performance is \$16,720 with our YTD at \$155,676. Our actual July expenses were \$20,185 with our YTD expenses at \$172,186. Our total bank asset balance is at \$322,063. Dedicated funds are \$197,087 and undedicated bank funds are at \$124,975. The Stewardship reports our total church income is about 0.8% higher this year than in 2021 at the end of July. There were no noteworthy income items or increase in assets for this month. There are three noteworthy expenses of \$1,715 for LCMS National Youth Gathering Registration, \$2,510.34 for Royal Sonata Houston Galleria Hotel, and \$2,650.38 loss on Thrivent Mutual Fund 2nd Quarter.

Church Financial Secretary: Diane Bickart

The donation balances for July 2022 were \$18,821 and for 2021 they were \$21,586 which were \$2,765 increase than July last year. 2022 has started off by having an increase of \$6,885 in contributions over 2021.

Pastor Report: Pastor Christopher Hazzard

Upcoming event: Florida Georgia District Pastors Conference: September 19-21, Daytona Beach. As recommended by the Florida Georgia District of the LCMS, we will be focusing on the teachings found in The Great Sending: God's Heart for the World Beating through You for the next couple of years. The anthology of studies has been written by Synodical leaders to equip LCMS Christians to understand and to be activated to do their part in God's Mission to seek and save the lost. During August, the Bible study will be a discussion about the relationship between church and state. Sarah Sicheri and Levi Hazzard have been awarded the Arndt scholarship, as well as receiving a scholarship from a private donor. Trust and harmony are important among those serving on church council. I highly recommend everyone read The Five Dysfunctions of a Team: A Leadership Fable by Patrick Lencioni. I have purchased several copies to be shared. We are working to clarify our membership, regular visitor, seasonal visitor, and shut-in lists. Thanks to Annie Smith for taking the lead.

President: John Freer

During the month of July, the church had lightning strike which damaged the Organ, Internet, and our Sound System. We are in the process of getting quotes to have the equipment repaired. We continue to see new visitors coming to our church and now several local residents have become members of our church. We will be forming the Nomination Committee, if you know anyone that would like to be on the committee, let me know.

Vice President: Ted Nelson

Nothing to report at this time.

Christian Education: Annie Smith

No activities planned for August or Sunday school classes unless we have children attending at some point. Making great progress in getting church membership directory updated with

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contact information and syncing with Kim's directory where applicable and vice versa. Tele-Care Ministry is still asking for email addresses from members; however, some do not have one or don't use it anymore and do not want it included. Both Pastor Chris and Pastor Jerry have given me the homebound and visits member list, which we are following up on, asking if they need to remain on the prayer list and are still in need of visits. Planning an art class in October. TBA

Board of Elders: Carlos Orellana

We are keeping the Divine Service pandemic policy as it is. Congregants' attendance: 70-80 on Sunday and 20-30 on Saturday evenings. Our movement of congregants are: Incoming: 6, and Removing: 6.

Stewardship: Kim Kaniecki

No meeting in July, however I am continuing to work on updating the time and talent sheets.

Board of Outreach: Pastor Jerry Munz

The Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 3, in the Fellowship Hall. Outreach will supply 144 tote bags along with ornaments (one per bag) and, also provide Bibles in both English and Spanish. Shredder Truck will be here on December 3rd during the Bazaar. The Fellowship Luncheons may resume in October. The first month's "free-will" offerings will go to Gideon International. Carlos Orellana will go to Central America on two mission trips - August 16 - August 30 and September 16 - September 30. Several people have asked us to resume Movie Night. Jerry Munz will talk with Pastor about this. Our Seminary student is now on vicarage in Texas. His wife is expecting their first child sometime in August. We voted to send a new baby gift. A \$50 Visa gift card. Several people asked about "How does someone apply to the Scholarship Fund?" There seems to be no protocol in the Procedures Manual. Pastor is responsible for the Scholarship Fund.

Board of Communications: Kris Welch

Organ and amplifier were hit by an electrical surge. John Freer is getting the equipment repaired. Levi is leaving for Valdosta St (congratulations!!) and we are still looking to add to our team for audio/streaming/social media. I will be meeting with Dream Digital this month to discuss our online presence to make sure we are best set up for what we need.

Trustee Report: Sandy Spanier

We are still working on the Certificate of Operation for the lift. We have issued a check for \$75 and are waiting reply from DBPR in Tallahassee. The broken attic ladder has been replaced for \$950, took the better part of two days. The sorting of keys is nearly finished and hopefully a complete set will be available soon. A/C drains have been cleaned out and our yearly termite inspection is scheduled for tomorrow.

Youth Board: Kyle Welch/Emma Block

The Youth were in Houston, July 8-14 for the NYG. The next planned meeting is Wednesday, August 10.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Fox

Central America Missions September 2022

Everything is falling in to place for our first surgical mission since the pandemic. This time I came a few days early to make sure that the rest of the team doesn't have any issues. The process for entering Honduras is a little complicated to meet their requirements, but that is the purpose of my coming early.

We are going to have a busy week. With the help of God many people will have a blessed week. We will be doing minor surgeries, hernias, lumps and bumps. This will allow us to get back in to the swing of things.

We certainly have a lot of medical supplies since I have continued to send supplies throughout the year.

We will be covering two surgical missions this year. That is going to put the finances for the mission in the red, but the missions will need to get done. For so many people, we are their only hope.

I went to visit the Hogar Nazareno Orphanage. On the female side they have over 80 girls. The items that we sent from Christ Lutheran are very much appreciated and used by the girls and boys at the orphanage. The Friars continue to try to reintegrate the kids back to their parents home as their situation may improve.

Please continue to support this mission. If you make financial donations, please make sure to mark it for Central American Mission. I will also continue to collect items that you don't need around your home. I will continue to ship these items to the Friars in Honduras. As always keep us in your prayers to stay motivated to help those who cannot help themselves.

Carlos Orellana



Main entrance to San Benito Jose Hospital.



Sunday prior. Patients are coming for assessment with our Surgeon. Patients are already screened by the local Doctors.