

Psalm 25:11-12

The Christogram

For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.
Who is the man who fears the LORD?
Him will he instruct in the way that he should
choose.

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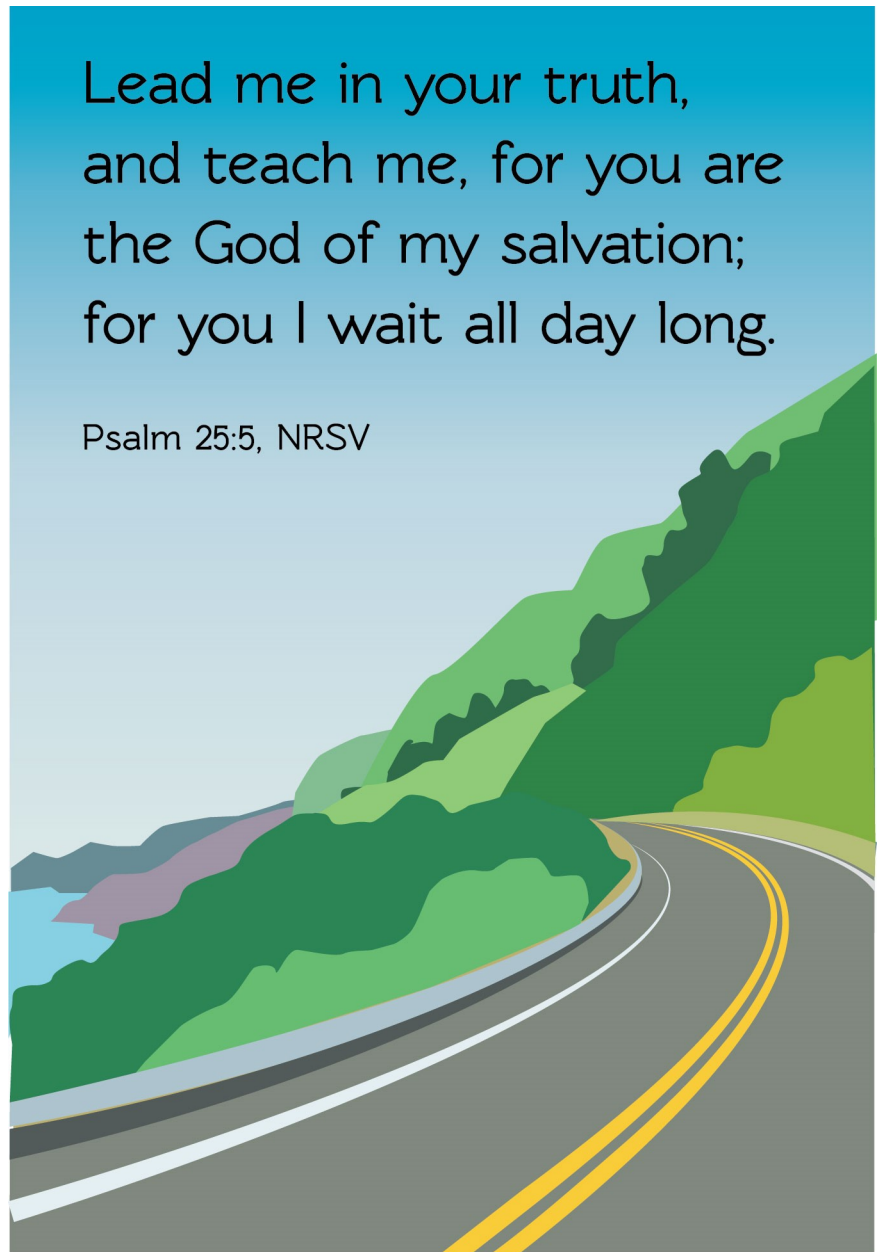


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Lead me in your truth,
and teach me, for you are
the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

Psalm 25:5, NRSV



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Christ Lutheran Guiding Statement

Christ Lutheran Church is a growing family of believers who love, accept, and welcome all, so that we may share God's love in word and deed.

October 6 LWML Sunday

Elder Steve Rosane
Lector Charlotte Mantz
Greeters Joann Shepker
Audio Maria Hazzard
Video Video TD: Josiah Hazzard
GFX/Stream: Andrea Hazzard

October 13

Elder Lee Crapo
Lector John Doherty Jr.
Greeters John Doherty Jr.
Audio Kim Kaniecki
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
GFX/Stream: Robin Fox

October 20

Elder Keith Kallstrom
Lector
Greeters
Audio Maria Hazzard
Video Video TD: Josiah Hazzard
GFX/Stream: Andrea Hazzard

October 27

Elder Carlos Orellana
Lector
Greeters
Audio Kyle Welch
Video Video TD: Kris Welch
GFX/Stream: Robin Fox

ALTAR GUILD SERVICES

Gwen Snook and Helen Borgwardt

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP @ 5:30 PM

Elder Lee Crapo, Steve Rosane (10/12)
LectorDebbie Smith/ Gerie Slaten/
Carlos Orellana, Steve Rosane
Audio.....Lee Crapo/Robin Fox/Taniqua Jackson



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Adopt a Block @ 11a	2 Trustee WD 9a Quilters @ 10a Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30p Choir @ 7p	3 Bible Study @ 10a	4	5 5:30p Worship
6 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Elders Meeting	7	8 Adopt a Block @ 11a	9 Trustee WD 9a Mary Martha mtg @ 9a Quilters @ 10a Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30p Choir @ 7p	10 Bible Study @ 10a	11	12 5:30p Worship
13 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship	14 Council Mtg @ 6:30p	15 Adopt a Block @ 11a Church Office will be closed	16 Trustee WD 9a Quilters @ 10a Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30p Choir @ 7p	17 Bible Study @ 10a	18	19 5:30p Worship
20 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Communication Board Mtg	21 9 AM Deadline for Newsletter items	22 Adopt a Block @ 11a	23 Trustee WD 9a Quilters @ 10a Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30p Choir @ 7p	24 Bible Study @ 10a	25	26 5:30p Worship
27 8:30a Bible Study 10a Worship Stewardship Meeting Reformation Service @ Our Savior, Zephyrhills	28	29 Adopt a Block @ 11a	30 Trustee WD 9a Quilters @ 10a SHINE Presentation @ 11a Private Com. 1:30 - 2:30p Choir @ 7p	31 Bible Study @ 10a		

**The Infirm
and
The Homebound**

Remember to keep these people in your daily prayers.

- Vi Bertsch
- Carolyn Calendar
- Sen & Dale Campbell
- Betty Coombs
- Betty Costine
- Joanne Ditton
- Donita Duncan
- Gerald Frizzell
- Rosie Fyffe
- Helen Gavin
- Donna Grant
- Richard and Pam Hanson
- Bob Kossel
- Fran Klug
- Sally Martel
- Nancy Matter
- Rose McLauchlin
- Fran Murphy
- Joanna Perlewitz
- Jerry Poole
- Don Rohrbach
- Paul Schierschwitz
- Natalie Thiele
- Norma Tipton
- Amy Wilson
- Fred and Marlene Yost

Sandy Womack.....	Oct 1
Karen Crickenberger.....	Oct 1
Pam O'Neil.....	Oct 2
Tyler Vogt.....	Oct 2
Linda Storts.....	Oct 5
Michael Simonds.....	Oct 6
Diane Donaldson.....	Oct 7
Jacob Trent.....	Oct 9
Paulette Nunez.....	Oct 11
Carissa Partheymueller.....	Oct 12
Dawn Peters.....	Oct 12
Mary Witte.....	Oct 14
Donna Racer.....	Oct 14
Blake Albright.....	Oct 15
Donald Racer.....	Oct 16
Pat Hurd.....	Oct 19
Saundi Hoffman.....	Oct 24
Mark Stuckert.....	Oct 26
Carlos Orellana.....	Oct 29
Steve Calhoon.....	Oct 30



Nicki and Dan Davis.....	Oct 12, (28 yrs.)
Don and Donna Racer.....	Oct 17, (65 yrs.)
Dan and Violet Zabel.....	Oct 17, (65 yrs.)
Jerry and Linda Poole.....	Oct 25, (21 yrs.)



Thank you Dawn Peters and Kim Kaniecki for serving for the month of September. Gwen Snook and Helen Borgwardt will serve for the month of October. Thank you for your service to the Lord and Christ Lutheran Church.

Baptismal Birthday Blessing

Gracious Lord, we give thanks that in Holy Baptism we receive forgiveness of sins, deliverance from death and the devil, and eternal salvation. On this baptismal anniversary, bless [name] continually by Your Word and Spirit that [he/she] may faithfully keep the covenant into which [he/she] has been called, boldly confess [his/her] Savior, and finally share with all Your saints the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- Betty Davenport Oct 1
- Dawn Kahre Oct 1
- Audrey Crapo Oct 3
- Helen Gavin Oct 4
- Lee Crapo Oct 5
- Arleen Smith Oct 8
- Carol Ceaglske Oct 10
- Traie Ward Oct 15
- Earl Womack Oct 15
- Tyler Vogt Oct 16
- Michael Thomas Oct 16
- Jo Ann Ditton Oct 17
- John Freer Oct 20
- Nicki Davis Oct 27
- Albert Whitehorn Oct 31

*First year Anniversary as
Member of Christ Lutheran Church*

Frank and Bette Decker, Oct. 2

**DON'T FORGET BAGS FOR
TALBOT HOUSE —**



Thank you to all of you who continue to support this ministry! Talbot House does extraordinary things to help the homeless. We are blessed to share in that ministry! Their doors are open to both men and women and they provide meals, shelter, & clothing, and direct them to medical care as needed. We collect offerings of canned goods—meat, vegetables, fruit, soup, paper goods—paper towels, toilet paper, napkins; cleaning supplies; soap—dishwashing, personal soap, laundry; toothbrushes & toothpaste. We also collect gently used clothes -free from stains, and have working zippers and buttons. There are especially marked baskets in the mail room at the back of the church to place your offerings. Our pickup day is the second Tuesday of every month. We also have a box on top of the table where you may place unused medicines, empty pill bottles, and unopened bottles of over the counter medicines. Talbot House uses the empty pill bottles to measure out soap and shampoo for the residents. Please remove labels from the empty bottles. Large containers of spices, flour, and sugar are real blessings.



From the Pastor.....

Luther and God's Mission

On October 31st, the church observes Reformation Day. Martin Luther posted the 95 theses to trigger scholarly debate to improve the church of his day, specifically targeting the heretical sale of indulgences, the purchase of which would supposedly buy God's merits.



Luther pointed out the truth that we “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus...” (Romans 3:23-24, ESV). Dr. Robert Kolb points out that “Luther never tired of telling his hearers in Wittenberg and the readers of his printed sermons of their privilege of being conveyors of his message....

Bringing this good news to others forms an integral part of the life of the baptized, Luther believed” (Lutheran Society for Missiology, May 2024).

Luther preached,

... All who are Christians and have been baptized have this power [to forgive one another's sins]. For with this they praise Christ, and the word is put into their mouth, so that they may and are able to say, if they wish, and as often as it is necessary: “Look! God offers you his grace; he forgives you all your sins. Be comforted; your sins are forgiven. Only believe, and you will surely have forgiveness.” This word of consolation shall not cease among Christians until the last day: “Your sins are forgiven, be of good cheer.” Such language a Christian always uses and openly declares the forgiveness of sins. For this reason and in this manner a Christian has power to forgive sins. (Luther's Church Postil, Sermon on Matthew 9:1–8, 1526).

“Luther emphasizes the urgency of the mission to spread the Gospel of Christ to those outside the faith near and far because only through the name of the Lord Jesus Christ can sinners in any part of the world be restored as God's people” (Lutheran Society for Missiology, May 2024). And so we continue to have spiritual conversations, reminding people that their sins are forgiven. We, too, can be of good cheer, and remind others that they can be of good cheer as well. We participate in God's Mission not just as we equip others to travel to far off lands to share the Gospel, but as we share Jesus in the midst of our various callings in life. God continues to re-form us into the likeness of His Son; God continues His reformation work in the world through you and me.

Pastor Chris

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You are encouraged to attend the

Winter Haven Circuit Reformation Festival

October 27, 2024

Pre-service music, 3:30 p.m.

Service, 4:00 p.m.

A tasty meal will follow.

Florida Georgia District LCMS District President James Rockey, Preaching

Our Savior Lutheran Church Zephyrhills

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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.

LWML District Convention

DISTRICT CONVENTION

Charlotte Mantz and Norma Miller attended the LWML/Florida Georgia District as delegates representing our Mary Martha group, September 12-15, in Orlando. We are extremely happy to announce that our Mary Martha/ Christ Lutheran grant request for our very own Carlos Orellana and the Central American Mission was APPROVED! Praise GOD! There were 18 grant requests and the \$10,000 Surgical Sterilizer was voted in at number 7!

The total mite collections from Florida /Georgia District alone was \$184,787.94. Lots of new and exciting things were presented at the convention! We will be sharing a report on LWML Sunday on Oct 6, as well as our next monthly meeting on October 9.

As a host zone for this convention, the Winter Haven Zone was assigned decorations and we ROCKED IT due to the awesome help from the ladies who showed up to help make, assemble and “fluff” those hundreds of flowers that we made!

Thank you all so much!

Charlotte Mantz



MARY MARTHA



The Mary Martha group met on September 4th for our first meeting of our year. Mary Martha will be hosting the first “Fellowship Sunday” on LWML Sunday on October 6th. We will be hosting the Fall Bazaar on November 16th! See the poster included in this publication! The Winter Haven Zone of LWML will be hosting our fall zone rally on Saturday, November 9th at Grace, Winter Haven!

In His Name

Charlotte Mantz

Fellowship Hour

Our First Fellowship Sunday will be October 6! This lunch will be hosted by Mary Martha! What is the menu, you ask? We are going to kick off the new Fellowship year with Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner! Fried chicken and all the fixings! Can’t wait to see you all!



LWML Sunday: October 5th and 6th

This year’s Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday theme is “Ready to Serve” based on Luke 1:38. As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks for the opportunity to serve others as we have been served, to proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and that He came for all nations, and to respond with our mite offerings to support God’s mission.



Lutherans For Life

2024 Southeast Regional Conference

November 9, 2024

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
16173 Marsh Rd.
Winter Garden, FL 34787



LIFE SHINES IN DARKNESS

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness
has not overcome it. John 1:4-5

To register or for additional conference
Information visit
LutheransforLife.org/conferences



OUTREACH

The Outreach committee met on September 3rd at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Chairperson Blake Albright attended via phone. The Fellowship charities were determined:

October - Winter Haven Zone LWML

November - Gideon's

December - One More Child.

We will sponsor the Angel tree for the children at Lighthouse Ministries.

We will also sponsor a new Seminary Student. Blake will talk to the Seminary about it.

Fellowship Groups: We now have five groups with a the sixth group being church-wide potlucks.

OUTREACH

Christ LUTHERAN CHURCH



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16TH

8AM - 1PM



FALL

BAZAAR

CRAFTS

BAKE SALE

door prizes

gifts



FALL & CHRISTMAS ITEMS



YUMMY

concessions

PULLED PORK SANDWICHES

SEVERAL SIDES

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Christ Lutheran Church Council Meeting in a Nutshell

By Robin Fox, Council Secretary, September 9, 2024



Treasure Report:

For the month of August, our actual performance is at a negative \$11,261, compared to the budgeted amounts. For YTD, our actual performance is at a negative \$12,556, compared to budgeted amounts.

Pastor Report: Pastor Christopher Hazzard

Upcoming dates:

September 19th, LCEF planning congregational event

September 23rd—25th: District Pastors Conference in Daytona Beach

October 27th: Circuit Reformation Service in Zephyrhills.

Notes:

Junior Confirmation instruction will change time and date.

President: John Freer

The 2025 Budget has been completed, we need council, the budget committee and the congregational voters to approve it.

In Shepherd Staff, which is our financial program, our accountant has identified some areas of concern which we will be discussing .

Our insurance premium has increased a considerable amount, to over \$28000 annually.

We will discuss ways in which we can reduce the premiums.

It has come to our attention that we do not have a cash reserve for our insurance deductible, I'll go into more detail during the meeting.

The Nomination committee has been working hard to find candidates to fill the vacant council positions, which we will be discussing.

Our new Treasurer is making progress, preparing monthly and quarterly reports.

We continue seeing new visitors worship with us, please continue to make them feel they are part of our church family; so we can continue to see our congregation grow.

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Vice President: Dawn Peters

Nothing to report at this time.

Christian Education: Rita Czanko

Nothing to report at this time.

Board of Elders: Carlos Orellana

Attendance Sundays are in the 70's and 30's on Saturday. Both are typical for this time of year.

Stewardship: Kim Kaniecki

Nothing to report at this time.

Board of Outreach: Blake Albright

Fellowship after the service donations will go to:

October -Zone Winter Haven LWML

November – Gideon's

December – One More Child

Angel Christmas Tree going to Lighthouse

Fellowship meals will have five groups, and the sixth group will be a potluck meal.

We are trying to sponsor a new Seminary Student. I will talk to the Seminary today.

I'll be down to Florida in mid to late October.

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Board of Communications: Kris Welch

Nothing to report at this time.

Trustee Report: Sandy Spanier

Finished the flooring in the altar guild room.

Fans in the Fellowship Hall were cleaned.

The two leaks in the Sanctuary were repaired.

Claim on the Fellowship roofing has been filed and am waiting on the response.

Minor general repairs were made.

Youth Board: Pastor Hazzard

Nothing to report at this time.

New Business:

Budget was discussed as well as the overall financial health of the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fox

Central American Missions October 2024



Wonderful news! I received notification from the Munz that their grant request for the Central American Mission was approved at the LWML district conference. Charlotte Mantz, one of our delegates at the conference, emailed the good news to them. This is a 10K grant for a surgical room sterilizer that will be put to great use.

There is a lot of planning and coordination that goes with putting together a surgical mission. From finding the right volunteers, materials required, type of patients, facility capabilities, surgical specialties, logistics going through customs etc. And especially; equipment. To have the only sterilizer to fail. It's a horrible feeling, and can happen at anytime during our missions.

Now thanks to our district LWML and the Munz; we can have that extra security. We can continue to help those who need it the most.

My next step is to do good research in purchasing the two sterilizers one for Guatemala and another for Honduras. I need to get the most for our dollars. I hope to have this purchase completed by December this year.



This is my target for the sterilizer. There price range is from 7 to 8K.



It looks difficult but with the help of God we will do our best.

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Please keep this mission in your prayers; that we use our resources wisely and properly allocated. May God guide us and give us encouragement to serve and bring the gospel to the poorest of the poor.

Carlos Orellana



Some of our patients in Guatemala