

The Buzz ...



The newsletter for Christ Lutheran Church

The mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to joyfully serve others. It is only by serving others in Christ's name, that we find love, peace, and joy in our faith.

June, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk...

I hope the summer has kicked off with you happy, healthy and trying to stay cool. As we have headed into this summer season, I am reminded of the lyrics of two songs. The first one goes like this: "I was made to love You, I was made to glorify Your name, in every circumstance...I was made to serve You and to obey You Lord, I was made for You"

You know what? I really do believe these words. Each of us has a purpose in life, to serve Him and obey Him. Each of us was made for Him. That God might do His "glorious" work or work of glory in us and through us.

The second song's lyrics are: "Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart always be; Make me a servant...make me a servant today." This is a prayer that the Lord will always answer. We must realize that the answer to this prayer will include changes: changes in thoughts and meditations; changes in priorities; changes in discipline; changes in choices and behavior. These changes coincide with His Word, "It is God who is at work within you."

I wish you to know that I am grateful for God's servants here at Christ Lutheran. More and more have listened to God's call and have made the choice to serve Him more. When God's people join together to do His will and His work, His wisdom, power and anointing are released. Somewhat like a time released capsule. God's Holy Spirit empowers and enables as ministry warrants and as the servant is dependent and trusting.

Thank you servants of God. Thank you for joining in the building of God's Kingdom. It is exciting isn't it? To know that God is Spirit and that we can worship Him in Spirit and Truth. To know that Jesus is Messiah and wants to be the Lord of our lives and certainly the Church. To know that the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity and that He somehow lives within a servant's heart. **God is Faithful!**

May the summer continue to bring God's blessings to each of you. I hope you all get the vacation you desire and the renewal you need this summer. Let's continue to serve the Lord with gladness and experience all the fullness of God.

In Christian love, Pastor Keith

New Preschool Director Hired

Mindy Weiss comes to CLC preschool with many years' experience, both as a teacher and director. She recently kept a school in her home. She has been working with the present staff since June 6 and will start with teachers and children on June 27 for the summer sessions. We are happy to have Mindy on board.

Bishop Installation Announced

Pastor Andrew Taylor will be installed as the bishop of Pacifica Synod on October 23, 2016, in Palm Desert. He will begin serving as bishop on August 1.

Report on Mary House

Tina Riechers and her family will be moving out of the Mary House at the end of June. Any needed cleaning and cosmetic repairs will occur thereafter. The Mary House is a valuable asset. It may be that CLC cannot afford to reach our ministry goals without receiving regular income from the rental of the Mary House. Several potential uses for the Mary House are being explored. A professional home inspector will perform a home inspection in early July. The results of that inspection may influence the future use of the Mary House. The Mary House will remain closed during this period of cleaning, inspection, repair, and discernment.

Church Gathering Scheduled for July

The church council approved scheduling a congregation gathering for Sunday, July 31, after the service for the opportunity to socialize and enjoy good food and fellowship. An attempt will be made to include several members who are currently unable to attend services due to health issues. Dixie Dohrmann has volunteered to provide the food. Save the date. More details will be available later.

Prayer List

Compassionate God, we pray for all those who are struggling in body, mind or spirit. Grant them a sense of your peace. In Jesus name. Amen

Ron Green, Cindy's brother, (broken shoulder) Family of Jack Bonnell, Cindy's friend Doug Griffin, friend of Cindy's, Grace McDonald, (recovering from surgery) Patti Reynolds, friend of Jean Poencet (cancer) Judi Wood and family, friends of Kris Miller

Herb Dyer and family, (health issues)

Avis Gerards

West Wyatt, Al Walker's friend

Olen Lowry and family, cancer

Marie Berger, Linda Peterson's friend, hip surgery

Cody Brown, (cancer) Ken Anderson (Cancer)

Marienne Hamilton

Patti Philips, friend of Roger Johnson, (heart problems)

Cody Riechers

Tina Riechers

Ida Savage, Lea Walker's sister (surgery)

Jordan Walker

Nick Walker

John Wolfe

Our Bishops and synod staff

Preschool Staff & Families

Puerta de Paz

Our Nation's Leaders

US Armed Forces and First-Responders

Child S.H.A.R.E. (foster care)

People impacted by natural disasters



Keep Up to Date with the Bulletin

News, special announcements, and other current information is posted on the bulletin board at the church entrance. A quick look and you might find something of interest to you.

The Buzz is posted monthly, and you will also find a copy of the minutes of the last council meeting.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

The Thursday morning Bible study is reading the Gospel of Luke. Pastor Keith leads the study from 10:00-11:00 a.m. All are welcome.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

July 3: Good Samaritan Sunday

July 17: Last day to order golden T-shirts

July 19: Council Meeting

July 31: Gathering Picnic

Sept. 11: ELCA Day of Service

Oct. 22: Boy Scout Fall Yard Sale

Oct. 23: Installation of New Synod Bishop

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