



# Christ Lutheran Church & Preschool

*The August Bridge 08/03/18*

**Pastor Emil**

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## BELL UPDATE

Our new set of 37 Malmark Bells is due to arrive at CLC in just a few weeks!



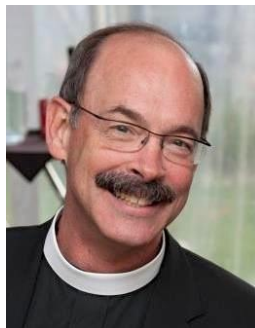
The members of the Bell Choir are practicing every Wednesday from 3:45-4:45 in the sanctuary.

New members are VERY welcome and NEEDED! If you can count, you can play the bells.

Please, join us and rejoice in this music ministry!

Let's ring in the "new" with many members of CLC!

## Pastor Emil



### Pastor's thoughts...

"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life.'" This statement is in the closing of this Sunday's Gospel text from St. John.

So, what does this mean for us? It means that Christ is the source of life, and life eternal. He feeds us with his Word through Scripture AND

through his body sacrificed for us. We re-create his sacrifice in our weekly celebration of Holy Communion, when we receive the bread (and wine) of the Eucharist. In a great document titled *The Use of the Means of Grace*, we read, "At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith."

Those of us who went through catechism training will recall Luther's Small Catechism, in which he wrote this about the "Sacrament of the Altar": "The words 'given for you' and 'shed for you for the forgiveness of sin' show us that

# Congratulations



## Celebrating AUGUST Birthdays

8/2 - Mike Matter  
8/5 - Jack Keller, Teresa Madison  
8/8 - Connie Henne  
8/10 - Gary Heavener  
8/12 - Bill Weber  
8/14 - Audrey Spergl  
8/15 - Teri Herron, Ann Matter, Jim Kondor  
8/27 - Lois Gregory  
8/28 - John Prange  
8/30 - Shirley Otto  
8/31 - Andrew Peter

## Celebrating AUGUST Anniversaries

8/3 Mike & Sarah DeMaria (23 yrs)  
8/7 Bill & Sue Weber (53 yrs)  
8/27 Don & Barbara Bethman (52yrs)  
8/28 Bill & Julie Vaglianti (53 yrs)  
8/29 Ray & Doris Stickel (54 yrs)  
8/31 Phil & Robin Peter (32 yrs)

If your information is incorrect or not included, please email the Church Office at [info@clchhi.com](mailto:info@clchhi.com) with any corrections.

We continue to create new tags. Please let an usher know if you are unable to find your tag.



ALSO - if your tag goes home with you, please try to remember to bring it back the following Sunday.

Our hope is the name tags will help us get to know each other better as the year progresses.



\*An extended member of our

forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words, because where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation." The Word, combined with the earthly element, constitute this sacrament.

We also embrace a doctrine called Consubstantiation. Now, *there's* a fifty dollar word! What this means is that we believe what Luther taught about the true presence of Christ in the elements of Holy Communion, that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the elements, as Luther put it, which means Christ is as much truly in the elements as are the ingredients of the elements present. One of the ways I like to look at Holy Communion is that it's a refresher course in our baptismal promises of forgiveness, inclusion in the family of the Church of Christ, and eternal life in Christ.

Come Sunday and hear more about this incredible gift, which we often take for granted.

In Christ's Service,  
*Pastor Emil*

## Prayer Ministry Team



God provides answers to our prayers. Please pray for:

- Fred Gifford, recovering from back surgery
- Faye Reinhardt, rehab at Preston Health Center
- Leah McCleskey & family - Augusta Burn Center
- Hanna Dwornikoski - testing for seizures
- Neil Springer, recovering from heart surgery
- Joe Etter, recovering from heart surgery
- Jackie Longo, undergoing treatment at Cleveland Clinic
- Dorothy Williams, hospice
- Gary Reynolds, continued healing
- George Kline
- Jane Williamson
- Donna Putrino
- Gary Gregory
- ALL service personnel

***Please use the Blue Cards in the Pew Racks to forward a prayer concern or update to the office.***

**REMINDER of a NEW ADDITION  
TO OUR PRAYER MINISTRY:**

church family:

On July 4th, Sam and Nancy McCleskey's daughter-in-law, Leah, was severely injured when hit by a mortar type firework. She has burns and shrapnel wounds on her face, torso and legs and has already undergone multiple surgeries at the Augusta Burn Center. Obviously, there will be heavy medical bills on top of normal living expenses for what was once a 2-income family. Friends of Leah have started a GoFundMe page to try to raise at least \$50,000 to help this young family. To date, over \$34,000 has been raised. If you are interested in donating, go to:

<https://www.gofundme.com/leah-mccleskey039s-accident-fund>



**Doug & Ann Hammes** are sending "Thinking of You" cards when a prayer request is received. If you submit a name of a non-member for prayer and would like them to receive a card, please be sure to put an address on the back of the blue card before putting it in the offering plate. Or you can email the office: [info@clchhi.com](mailto:info@clchhi.com) with the address you would like used and the information will be forwarded to Doug & Ann.

July 27, 2018

Dear Barbara and Pastor,  
Thank you for keeping Leah in your prayers and the newsletter.

Today, Friday, she has just finished her eighth surgery (still in recovery) with the ninth to come next week. The doctors told Leah's mom, Susan, that they feel she has turned a corner! That's the power of prayer! She is being prayed for from Canada to Hawaii! How great is that!! God is so good.

So very thankful to my CLC family for everything. We love you and will keep you updated.

Nancy and Sam



## CONNECTED FALL SCHEDULE

**CONNECTED will soon be back in session -- mark your calendars now!**

**CONNECTED will have 2 block sessions this fall:**

**1) Sept. 19, Sept. 26, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10**

*Note: no session on Wednesday, Oct 17*

**2) Oct. 24, Oct. 31, Nov. 7 and Nov. 14**

Our overall question will be...

**"How to BE a Christian in the 21st Century?"**

First we will have a "Soul Detox" and address lethal language, scare pollution, radioactive relationships and septic thoughts.

Then we will figure out how to love everybody, always: loving people where we are, not playing it safe, loving even difficult people. We will also tackle compassion and empathy discussing a wonderful video by Cleveland Clinic.

Please join us in wrestling with the challenge to not only know about Jesus but to actually live a life that mirrors that we know Jesus!

**Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in Heinrichs Hall, light pizza and salad supper provided.**

Free will offering welcomed!



## CLC COUNCIL CORNER

This provides a brief recap of our Council meeting held on July 17, 2018:

- Minutes were approved from the June 19 meeting.
- Staff and Ministry reports were reviewed and approved.
- As you are most likely aware, our return of gifts takes a downturn during our summer months when many of our members are out of town. Recall that a year ago we made a plea to continue your gifts even if you are traveling. The good news is that our June offerings were consistent with June a year ago. Our financial position is in much better shape this year versus last year for which we are grateful. Helping this is that our expenses are in line with what we would expect. The next couple of months will tell us a lot about how we come out on the other end of our summer.
- Our Renovation Task Force continues to meet regularly and is making great progress in developing a detailed recommendation to the Congregation. Many thanks to this small team in working out all the details. We plan on beginning to communicate what is being recommended and answering your questions beginning in September.
- We reviewed in detail our planning calendar for the balance of what needs to take place for 2018. This includes election of members to council and preparing for our annual Stewardship campaign and end of year Congregational meetings per our constitution. Many thanks to Kathy Reynolds for pulling all of this together.
- We are beginning to build our ministry spending plan for 2019. Our prework has begun and needs from individual ministries are being collected and considered.
- Calling all painters . . . John Babbitts is looking for a few good men and women to help with painting for the Preschool. If you have an interest in helping, please contact John Babbitts.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 21 at 6:30 pm.

Joe Etter

Council President

## CLC PRESCHOOL

**School starts soon!** Preschool Parent Orientation will be held on Tuesday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m. The children will be starting on Monday, August 20.

Please consider helping us by donating items

to our **Helping Hands** tub

on the ministry table in the narthex.



## CLC In Ministry

**The Social Ministry Team will meet in Heinrich Hall on Tuesday, August 14 @ noon**

After taking a summer break, the Social Ministry team will resume their monthly meetings in August. We continue to serve some of our island's most vulnerable citizens through our ongoing outreach programs; St. James Soup Kitchen, Family Promise, Backpack Buddies, and Deep Well. We look forward to our opportunities to help others, and welcome old and new members to our next meeting.

**Our Summer SOUP KETTLE** is in the narthex. Please consider sharing your spare change so the family of CLC can continue to help others!



While the Social Ministry team is taking a summer break from meetings, we continue to reach out and help some of the island's most needy. We give our time to serve a meal on Thursdays at the St James Soup kitchen, in addition to supplying them with cookies and fruit every week.

We are filling the wagon in the Narthex to overflowing with items needed by the clients of Deep Well, and we look forward to welcoming our homeless Family Promise guests for a week in August. *(If you haven't had the opportunity to see the new freezer and shower in the Sale's Building,*

*please stop by.)*

**It is only through your generosity, and giving spirit, that all of these things are possible!!  
Soup Kettle donations to date = \$315.78**

Remember "*one person can not change the world, but you might change the world for one person.*"

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### **LOCAL MISSION: SOUP KITCHEN - EVERY THURSDAY AT 11:30AM TO 1:00PM**

CLC is called to mission at the soup kitchen **EVERY THURSDAY** of the month! Why not come by and **offer your hands in service** on a Thursday? If you are interested in volunteering or simply want more information, contact **Alice Graeb -- 740-298-1086 or the church office**



***Like to bake? - even if you are not one of our regular cookie bakers, we STILL need cookies for the Soup Kitchen. Just bring them by the office and we will get them to our freezer for future use.***

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### **LOCAL MISSION: DEEP WELL**



The Pantry has been inundated with food requests and shoppers because so many children are home and not receiving breakfast and lunch at their schools. The following list of current pantry needs comes from Jean, the pantry manager:

The **AUGUST Food Collection Sunday (8/5/18)** is this SUNDAY. When you shop, please consider adding some of these items to your cart

*Please remember to read expiration dates on your food donations; some times those dates are hard to read but please try to find and read them so that your donations are within the expiration period.* Thank you so much!

For all of **AUGUST** we are highlighting the following items:

**Food items:**

- Rice---white and brown**
- Chef Boyardee cans**
- Salad Dressings---any kind**
- Condiments---mustard, ketchup, relish, mayonnaise**
- Cereal---any non-sugary kind**

**Non Food items:**

- Paper Towels**
- Toilet Paper**
- Toothpaste**

**Shampoo  
Bath Soap  
Laundry Detergent  
Dish Soap**

In addition, the pantry is looking for **gently used bath towels** to give clients who come into the DW office to take a shower.

*You can pick up the AUGUST shopping list (bright pink 1/2 sheet) in the narthex to help with your shopping*

**Thank you CLC members who regularly contribute items to the blue wagon!  
Your continuing donations are so appreciated. Let's fill that blue wagon up!**

## CLC Faith Formation

**Faith Formation for children:** (K to 5th): On hiatus until September

**Faith Formation for youth:** (6th to 12th grade): On hiatus until September

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION - 9:45 a.m. in Heinrichs Hall on Sunday mornings** *(year round)*

Our Adult Faith Formation group is a warm and inviting class of friendly and caring individuals. We love to learn, laugh, and support one another through our Christian journey. We are composed of couples and singles from both worship services, and visitors and new members are always welcome.

We will provide you with a quarterly booklet, published by Augsburg Adult Bible Studies, which covers a wide range of biblical books and themes. Our study is intended to explore the Scriptures, what they mean, and discuss how they relate to our daily walk with Christ. So, come join us any time you can for refreshments, fellowship, prayer, and study. We look forward to seeing you soon.

## CLC Fellowship

Our **Fifth Sunday 'Bring A Friend to Church & Worship' Breakfast Brunch** was a great success! Over 100 Friends, Families and Visitors enjoyed a wonderful breakfast spread of biscuits, eggs, fruit, ham, pancakes (plain and blueberry) and of course, those wonderful pecan sticky buns! Thanks to John Babbitts and Christ's Loyal Chefs for their hard work in making this event possible.

**Mark your calendar now - we'll be doing this again on our next Fifth Sunday - September 30!**





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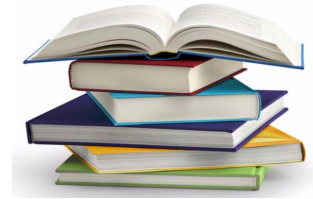
## CLC BOOK CLUB

*Why not catch up on some reading this month and join us in September?*

We will resume our monthly meetings on Saturday, September 15 at 1:30 p.m. Deanna Coyne will host at her home, 29 Crooked Pond Drive, Hilton Head Plantation.

The group will discuss the book, *America's First Daughter* by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie, a historical fiction account of the life of Martha "Patsy" Jefferson, eldest daughter of Thomas Jefferson.

Call or email Chris Wilcox at 843-342-9711, [christineewilcox@aol.com](mailto:christineewilcox@aol.com) for further information. New readers are always welcomed!



## Community Event

**You Are Invited To A Birthday Party !!!!!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Ray Makalous invites you to join in the celebration of his 70th birthday  
An event to raise funds for Osprey Village  
[www.ospreyvillage.org](http://www.ospreyvillage.org)

*Food, music, and activities!*

Osprey Village (OV) is a nonprofit developing affordable housing for adults with developmental disabilities. Additionally, OV provides independent living skills such as job training, transport training, and in-home skills to prepare these individuals to live independently in their homes and community. Donations accepted at the door.

***NOTE - CORRECTED EMAIL ADDRESS!!!***

**RSVP to [juliekuhns2686@gmail.com](mailto:juliekuhns2686@gmail.com) by August 13, 2018**

**Thursday, August 16**  
**6 - 8 p.m.**  
**Heinrichs Hall**  
*Dinner prepared by Christ's Loyal Chefs*

## Events Happening at CLC

Sunday 8/5	8:30 a.m.	Blended Worship Service
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Adult Faith Formation Class
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
Wednesday 8/8	5:00 p.m.	Family Promise arrives
	1:00 p.m.	Women's AA group
	3:45 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
Thursday 8/9	11:00 a.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive
	Noon	Soup Kitchen
Friday 8/10	<i>ALL DAY</i>	<i>Church Office Closed</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Friday Night AA Group
Saturday 8/11	6:00 p.m.	CONFIRMATION
	9:00 a.m.	CONFIRMATION

**Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

