

The August Bridge 08/02/19

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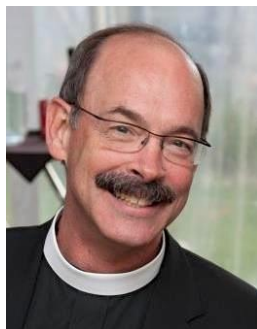
Office Support Ministry



With her upcoming surgery scheduled, Barbara will be out of the office Aug. 13 -15... and on light duty for at least the following week, Aug. 19 - 22.

Support volunteers are needed and will be scheduled to assist with various duties in her absence. You can volunteer for several hours, one or more days, during this time.

Pastor's Thoughts...

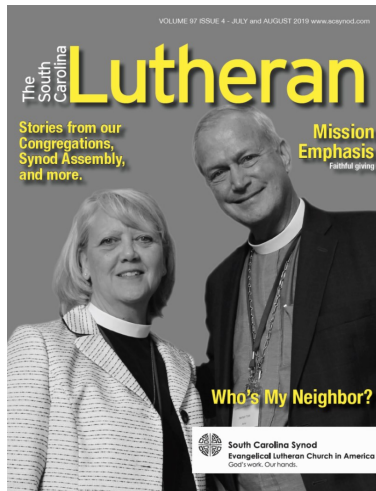


This week, I'd like to continue our discussion on prayer. I said that prayer is a daily discipline. I'd also like to emphasize that it's a form of worship, as well.

Prayer, like most anything else we want to make a part of out daily life, takes practice. Early on, you probably won't be very comfortable with it. That's something that, consciously or subconsciously, will lead you to let it slide for a day...then a couple of days...and eventually, it's disappeared off your radar. But stay with it, trusting that God is there, wanting to make contact with you, even if you're not aware of God's presence at first.

I don't know why we've gotten the idea that prayer is supposed to be automatic and easy, right out of the gate,

If you are interested in trying Office Support as a ministry, please be in touch with Barbara at info@clchhi.com or 843-785-5560



The South Carolina Lutheran is now available for download

This edition has a large report on the events of our recent synod assembly, including the transcript of the Bishop's sermon where he asks the question, who is my neighbor?

This edition also features a number of stories from our congregations and the official acts and call process updates.

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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
8/18 - Kathy Mork
8/27 - Lois Gregory
8/28 - John Prange
8/30 - Shirley Otto

and if it isn't, we must be doing something wrong. Again, another excuse to let it go. It's like just about any relationship we've experienced. We have to invest time necessary to get to know one another. Prayer is like that, too. We need time to discover how we best communicate with God in our prayers.

Most people give up too quickly. Too many say, "I've tried prayer. Nothing happened. (*Remember what I said in the sermon on Sunday?*) We invest time and money in the activities at which we want to excel, right? I've never seen anyone go to a golf course and shoot par the first time out. Most people are like me. I dribbled the ball off the tee and sliced it all over the course. But I watched others who were pretty good at it, and I determined to practice in order to become better at it.

My early attempts at prayer were not very satisfying. But I saw what prayer did for people around me, and I wanted to be in touch with whatever it was that produced such strength and authenticity in their lives. So, I continued to pray, and I'm convinced that continuous, meaningful contact with God must grow out of regular time set aside for God's exclusive use.

Next week, we'll begin to talk about some steps we can take in developing a more satisfying prayer life.

See you Sunday.
Soli Deo Gloria,
Pastor Emil

Prayer Ministry Team



God provides answers to our prayers.

Please include in your prayers:

- Greg Darga, vertebrae fusion surgery
- Faye Reinhardt, @ Preston; broken hip
- Nancy Porter, lung disease
- JoAnn Livingston, multiple myeloma
- Dick Marth @ Preston rehab
- Kristina Lamb, awaiting lung transplant
- Barbara Klatt, hip surgery 8/13
- Marilyn Kuhlmann, Parkinson's Disease
- Manfred Pyrlík, pancreatic cancer
- Steve Bassford, hospitalized in Savannah
- Sandy Shackelford, Parkinson's Disease
- Herb Heins
- Jane Williamson
- Donna Putrino
- Gary Gregory

8/31 - Andrew Peter

-- those affected by the devastation of all Natural Disasters
-- ALL service personnel

Celebrating AUGUST Anniversaries

8/3 Mike & Sarah DeMaria (24 yrs)
8/7 Bill & Sue Weber (54yrs)
8/27 Don & Barbara Bethman (53yrs)
8/28 Bill & Julie Vaglianti (54 yrs)
8/29 Ray & Doris Stickel (55 yrs)
8/31 Phil & Robin Peter (33 yrs)

If your information is incorrect or not included, please email the Church Office at info@clchhi.com with any corrections.

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

THANK YOU!!!

Received in the office this week - a lovely card...

Dear Christ Lutheran Church,

The world's a whole lot better place
because of people like you
who bring so much happiness
with the nice things that they do...
and with your recent thoughtfulness
still very much in mind,
this is meant to bring a thank-you
of the very warmest kind!

Thank you for all your prayers.

They mean a lot to me and my family, Bless You All!

Gary Gregory

8:30 Blended Worship Service News...

A well-rounded team has been tasked by Council to work on developing a more contemporary approach to our 8:30 service. We already use a modern translation for our readings...and more modern verbiage for our confession and communion. Once the renovation is completed, we will be able to project elements of the service and reduce the amount of paper we use for bulletins.

As we move forward with new selections of music, it was decided to repeat certain pieces for several weeks in order to help our regular worshipers learn the melodies and words. In addition, we will be moving towards singing the Creed. We will introduce this during August as a communion piece titled *This I Believe*. Hopefully, that will help everyone become familiar with it prior to our placing it after the sermon starting in September.

Thoughts/comments can be shared with Tami Kuhlmann.



CLC COUNCIL CORNER

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you to all who attended and participated in the Congregational meeting that was held on Sunday, July 14. We are moving ahead in responding to God's call for our mission in this place!

On July 16, at 6:30 p.m., the Council held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Sale Education Center Craft Room. The follow items were discussed:

- Council participated in a conference call with Ozzie Herlong of the South Carolina ELCA Synod to discuss the "Stewardship for all Seasons" program that is endorsed by the Synod. After discussion, Council decided not to pursue the program at this time.
- Council briefly reviewed the results of the July 14 Congregational Meeting and Joe Etter stated that a meeting with the Architect and Builder was scheduled for Thursday, July 18 to begin the next phase of our Renovation Project.
- Council discussed progress toward outcomes from the Strategic Planning process.

- o Kathy reported that Outreach to Latino Population should be tabled at this time due to resources required to take on this ministry.
- o Discussion is ongoing to plan a Diversity Weekend event during 2020
- Kathy presented proposed dates for the End of Year Process which begins on September 1 and asked all Council members to review and come to the next meeting prepared to discuss.
- Marajeane Zodtner was affirmed as Financial Secretary and John Prange as back-up.
- Council engaged in a discussion regarding our Security Program. A review of the Program and possible updates/enhancements are being researched.
- Silke Pyrlirk volunteered to represent Christ Lutheran Preschool interests at Council meetings

As always, if you have questions about any Council decisions or discussions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Council.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30 pm.
Kathy Reynolds, Council President

CLC PRESCHOOL

School Starts Soon!

Preschool Parent Orientation will be held on Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m.

The children will be starting on Monday, August 19.

Please consider helping us by donating items to our **Helping Hands** tub on the ministry table in the narthex.



CLC In Ministry

GLOBAL MISSION: MINISTRY OF HOPE -- Malawi Crisis Nursery

Christ Lutheran was first introduced to Fran Hallam and her work with Ministry of Hope back in 2014 when she spoke during an intergenerational Faith Formation class in the spring. Her story touched many hearts, and Christ Lutheran has been supporting the work she and her team does ever since.

Two years ago, our quilters made eighteen baby quilts for the crisis nursery and our teens assembled hundreds of Salvation bracelets which were distributed to children attending the bible schools in **Malawi**. We were also able to send a sizable check for medical and nursery supplies. Last year (2018) we sent an even larger check!!

Fran is once again asking for our help. She and her team will be heading back to Malawi in September, making this trip # 10 for Fran.

BEGINNING THIS WEEK - through August!

We will be dedicating our summer loose change collection as a donation to our annual Global Ministry project -

CLC will be collecting monetary donations for the Crisis Nursery in **Malawi** during the month of August. Along with the continued gathering of 'loose change', you will find a container in the narthex in which to place your contribution or, if you prefer, you may use a pew envelope and place your contribution in the offering plate. Your checks should be made payable to CLC and indicate **Malawi** in the memo line. No contribution is too small.

On August 4, Fran will give a brief Temple Talk before each service and Pastor will bless the 15 quilts made by our quilters this year for the crisis nursery.



Malawi is CLC's global outreach. Over the next several weeks we hope you will give prayerful thought to making a donation to help us in our ongoing support of this ministry.

Ministry of Hope is a USA charity, and its mission is for the people of **Malawi**, "to glorify God by reaching out to the orphans, widows, disabled and the destitute with the gospel of Jesus Christ as we minister to their basic needs, providing hope to them."

You are encourage to check out their website at [Ministry of Hope](#)

LOCAL MISSION: BACK PACK BUDDIES

June - July...**THANK YOU** for your generous support of our **Back Pack Buddies loose change** collection.

We are completely dependent on donations to fund our all-volunteer organization. Each bag costs \$5 per child per week.

YOU donated = \$957.04 (approx. 191 bags)



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! 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.

LOCAL MISSION: DEEP WELL

Every month the call goes out to the congregation to contribute food and household items to the Deep Well blue wagon in the Narthex. We are blessed to have within our congregation loyal contributors who faithfully bring items to fill the wagon. I then take these items to the Deep Well office on Capital Drive. For those of you who regularly contribute to the blue wagon and to the Deep Well pantry, I want to share some pretty amazing information with you in hopes you know that your contributions are truly appreciated.



Since January 2018 (when rough poundage estimates began for Deep Well grant writing purposes) **Christ Lutheran church has donated over 1725 POUNDS of food/household items and about 100 hygiene kits!** Those wagon loads have really added up.

Every donation counts; I will continue to make donation shopping lists, stand up in front of the congregation and make appeals, and deliver whatever gets donated to Deep Well. Let's keep up our outreach ministry to Deep Well. Thank you so much! Chris Wilcox

DEEP WELL SUNDAY - August 4
For AUGUST we are highlighting the following items:

Back to School time---let's fill the pantry with these products:

Paper towels
Toilet paper
Kleenex
Paper Napkins
Dish Soap
Dishwasher Soap
Laundry Detergent
Bounce Dryer Sheets
Bath Soap
Feminine Hygiene Products
All Purpose Cleaner

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!

July 26, 2019

Dear Congregation of Christ Lutheran Church,

Please accept our thanks for your recent wonderful and practical donation to Deep Well of over 45 items for our Food Pantry. Your gift totaled just over 75 pounds of non-perishable food! It was marvelous to see our items go right on the selves to fill them up!

Household goods, food and personal hygiene item donations are especially needed right now. As housing costs continue to spiral upward, larger chunks of island workers' paychecks go to rent/mortgage, leaving less for grocery costs and other basic needs. The summer months are ironically some of our busiest times in our Pantry due to children being out of school and eating all meals at home. just over 50% of Hilton Head Island children in our public schools qualify for free/reduced breakfast and lunch - so that's a lot of little ones eating ten additional meals a week at home during the summer.

You exemplify the very best of being a true neighbor, and opening your eyes to the needs of others around you. Your support is of great value to Deep Well, and I appreciate the things you do for our organization as we strive to provide a safety net for some of our community's most vulnerable residents.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I send you my deepest thanks and my best wishes for a healthy and successful year.

With best regards,
Sandy Gillis, Director, The Deep Well Project

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

Breland's Adult Faith Formation Class - 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.

"Painting the Stars" Adult Faith Formation Class

**NOTE our Summer Schedule:
Class will be held August 4, 11, & 18**



Join us for our next series, **Living the Questions**, beginning on **Sundays - as scheduled with David - at 9:45 a.m.** in the Youth Room in the Sale Education Center.

This video series introduces participants to some of the thought leaders of Progressive Christianity and offers a safe environment where people have permission to ask the questions they've always wanted to ask. **Living the Questions** provides the theological grounding, rationale and vocabulary to help you articulate the foundations of Progressive Christianity. Yes, this is an edgy area to investigate, but please be assured that Pastor and David have discussed how to keep the conversations grounded in our Lutheran Confessions.

Each week we will watch a segment and then have time for discussion. Come when you can, there is no need to be regular every week.

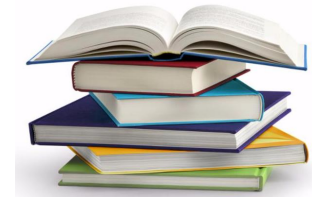
Questions? contact David Kuhlmann -- buckeye81@me.com

CLC Fellowship

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 21 at 1:30 p.m.** We are reading *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Lynn Baglyos will lead our discussion. Location of the meeting to be announced at a later date so watch for an announcement. It's a wonderful read and we are sure to have a lively discussion!



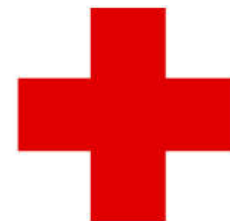
Call or email Chris Wilcox at 843-342-9711, christineewilcox@aol.com for further information. New readers are always welcome!

Community Events

BLOOD SHORTAGE

Emergency blood shortage--There is only a 3-day supply of most blood types and a 2-day supply of type O negative.

All presenting donors will receive a \$5 Amazon.com e-gift card (via email).



American Red Cross

**Hilton Head Blood Drive @
Christ Lutheran Church in Heinrichs Hall
Thursday, August 8 -- 11am-5pm**

To make your life-saving appointment,
 go to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code "HHCommunity"
 Questions? Call 1-800-Red-Cross



Retrain Your Memory with Connections Class

Free Trial Class

August 14 -- 2-4 p.m.

Seabrook Gathering Center

Ongoing classes each Wednesday starting on August 21
 Enrollment limited. Call to register 843-842-6688

Events Happening at CLC

Assisting with our Sunday Worship, August 4

Altar Guild: Marajeane Zodtner, Paulette Stefanik

Altar Flowers: Laurie Fons

Coffee Fellowship: Robin Baselice

8:30 a.m. Lector : Phyllis Rowe **Acolyte:** TBD **Sound:** Barbara Klatt
Music: Alice Graeb, Helen Babbitts, Kirk Taylor, David & Tami Kuhlmann
Communion Assts: Kirk & Cherie Taylor
Ushers: John Babbitts, Michael Connolly

10:30 a.m. Lector: Doug Peterseim **Acolyte:** Keegan Peterseim **Cantor:** Susie Fidler
Sound: Barbara Klatt **Worship Asst:** Doug Peterseim
Communion Assts: Paten: Doug Peterseim
 Chalices: Steve & Teri Herron; Alan & Deanna Coyne
Ushers: Ed & Judy Barrett; Tom & Sandy Martin

Friday, 8/2	ALL DAY	Church Office Closed
	5:00 p.m.	Friday Night AA Group
Sunday 8/4	8:30 a.m.	Blended Worship Service
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Adult Faith Formation Class
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
Monday, 8/5	10:00 p.m.	CLC Quilters
	1:00 p.m.	Family Promise Planning Team
	1:00 p.m.	CONNECTED Planning Team
Tuesday, 8/6	8:00 a.m.	Broad Creek Election Run Off
	Noon	Women's Retreat Planning Team
Wednesday 8/7	1:00 p.m.	Women's AA group
	5:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
Thursday 8/8	11:00 a.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive
	Noon	Soup Kitchen

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

