

The Heavenly Herald

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

“Many are the plans of a man’s heart, but the Lord’s purpose will prevail.” Proverbs 19:21

So, how was your Summer? Did you go anywhere on vacation? Did you accomplish everything that you wanted to?

If you’re anything like me, you approached the Summer months with all kinds of plans. Mine were to finally get the parsonage set the way we wanted and go through any and every box still left from our move last year. I also planned to spend some time relaxing with my family. I had books I planned to read and a number of other things I intended to do. As the Summer draws to a close, I look back at all my plans, and see that I didn’t really accomplish any of them – at least not in the way I had planned.

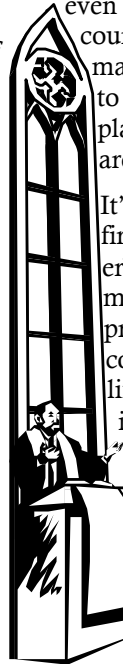
Sure, we made progress on things at the parsonage, but we’re still not where I wanted to be. (There are still boxes not emptied, but I don’t want to talk about that.) I spent time with my family, including a wonderful time with an Aunt and Uncle who decided to visit Connecticut from the Midwest at the last minute, but the hurried pace of a short stay by out of town guests is not exactly relaxing. And as for those books, well, let’s just pretend I never said anything about having books I wanted to read.

As it turns out, God had some very different plans for me. During the Summer I visited with CLC members in my office, in their homes, in hospitals, in rehab, in nursing homes, and in hospice. I had meetings with volunteers, committees, Deacons, and prospective members. I presided at a funeral and then a baptism a little over a week later. I had the unique experience of getting some of our young men and women together to paint the Youth Room. Many of those things were not in the plans that I made for what I was going to do over the Summer, but they were what the Lord had in mind.

Throughout our lives we make plans: what job

we want to have, where we want to live, what we’d like to do on our vacation, and all the rest. Sometimes life goes according to plan, and what we wanted is what ends up happening. Often, however, life does not go as planned and we are left doing the best we can to adjust to the circumstances.

When circumstances cause our plans in life to change, it can be frustrating and annoying if its due to something minor or petty. It can even be downright disheartening and discouraging when plans change because of major difficulties or calamities. It’s easy to become overwhelmed when all your plans have gone out the window and you are left to try to make sense of things.



It’s happened to me, and that’s when I first came across the passage from Proverbs 19 above: “Many are the plans of a man’s heart, but the Lord’s purpose will prevail.” These words brought me great comfort at a time when circumstances in life were out of my control. We are not in charge of things; God is. Even when what we want or expect or plan in life is left in total chaos, God’s will for you is moving right along as planned. His purpose for you is not hampered or hindered by any of the roadblocks, detours, or speedbumps in life.

When your life does not go as planned, remember Proverbs 19:21. God continues to work out His plan for you, even if yours are in shambles. His purpose in Christ Jesus is to bring you back to Himself, forgive your sins, and give you everlasting life with Him. Nothing in this life will thwart His purpose, because Jesus already did to all for you on the cross.

So, did your Summer go according to plan?

In Christ,
 Pastor R

***Come Worship
With Us***

Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 am & 10:30 am
(Nursery Care Available - 10:30 am)

**Sunday School
&
Adult Bible Classes:**
9:10 am

Summer Worship Service:
9:00 am



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**NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT
AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

Greetings All,



As the calendar moves along into the fall, at CLC we resume a full schedule of activities of mission and ministry. Although the Council did not meet over the summer, we continued to informally check in with each other. CLC is doing well, operating slightly above our established mission plan, and the good news is it's coming from non-pledged giving. Many thanks to all our faithful pledgers and weekly donors for your steadfast support! Giving consistently within our means is one of the most important ways we can help keep CLC strong and relevant within the Cheshire and worldwide communities.

As we prepare to get back into the swing of things as summer winds down, two words come to mind -- reflection and rejuvenation. Reflecting back on a few highlights over the summer:

If you see a new face in church, or a returning one you haven't seen in a while, please reach out, introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. Let's remind them that CLC is God's house, as they are always welcome, regardless of what's going on in their lives.

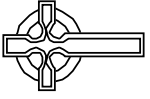
- ✚ VBS attendance grew from high 50's last year to 75 children this summer. Thank you to all the volunteers that contributed to the success of this event. We hope that all the children and families were touched in some small way by God's presence, and we pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide and protect them, as a part of our missions.
- ✚ We were delighted by a variety of soloists and music ensembles throughout the summer services, thanks to Music Director Martha Medford for all that you do!
- ✚ The Cheshire Community Chorus reached out and we've begun discussions with them to use our hall for rehearsing on a regular basis, with the potential for concerts as well.
- ✚ August 25th marked the 18th month since Pastor Rowold and his family has joined us, and what a blessing it is for CLC to have them with us!
- ✚ The Council continues to listen to member requests, as we experimented with communion every Sunday during the month of August.
- ✚ Whether you took a special day trip to a local destination with friends, or an extended vacation with family to another country, we hope that God kept you safe and wonderful memories were created along the way for you to cherish.

As we look back on these blessings God has provided us, let's utilize them to rejuvenate our faith, our youth and families to have an amazing second half of the year. Regarding evangelism:

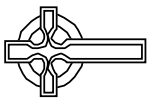
- ✚ CLC will once again have a booth at the Cheshire Fall Festival. If you plan to attend, please stop by and show your support. While we, as a congregation, reach out to the community - offering worship, education, fellowship and ministries beyond our walls - your personal invitation to someone to either simply visit CLC, or consider joining our CLC family, is a powerful message.
- ✚ If you see a new face in church, or a returning one you haven't seen in a while, please reach out, introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. Let's remind them that CLC is God's house, as they are always welcome, regardless of what's going on in their lives.

The Council will meet on Thursday, September 5th at 7pm, and the next Voters meeting will be after the 2nd service on Sunday, September

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September

September Servants

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8th. As always, if you have topics or questions don't hesitate to reach out to myself or any other Council member prior to our meeting dates.

See you in church!

Steve Feero
Parish President, CLC
president@cheshirelutheran.org



CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN...

Confirmation Class will be resuming for the class of 8th and 9th Grade students on Sunday, September 15, as we finish our second and final year. Class will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. during the school year and the Rite of Confirmation will take place during the 10:30 a.m. service on Pentecost Sunday, May 31.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

Rejoicing in our Lord always!

Welcome to another year of learning about how our Lord & Savior is always with us and will never forsake us.

We will be starting with Rally Day on September 8, 2019 at 9:10 AM in the Fellowship Hall! A continental breakfast will be served. It will be a meet & greet followed by Bible trivia rally day. Please plan on coming, promising to be fun for the whole family.

On Sunday, September 22, 2019, and one Sunday each for October & November, the Sunday school students will be singing at the 10:30 service. Starting on November 3, 2019, the Sunday students will start rehearsing Christmas songs & learning one new Christmas song for our Christmas Pageant.



CLC's Christmas pageant this year will be held on December 15 during 10:30 service. The service will be directed by Tricia Rowold, with musical direction by Martha Medford.

This is a very full & exciting schedule. In order for everyone to benefit from this very busy Schedule full attendance & promptness is essential. To review Sunday school starts at 9:10 AM in the church sanctuary. Sunday school is over at 10:10AM. CLC church services are at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me & do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 19:14

Thank You!
In Christ

Carlene Myers
Martha Medford
Judy DiDomizio



CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
September 4 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 8- Sunday <i>Sunday School Rally Day!</i>	9:10 AM	Sunday School	Rally Day
	10:30 AM	Performance	Choir Ensemble
September 11 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 15 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
September 18 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 22 - Sunday	9:10 AM	Rehearsal	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Performance	Sunday School
September 25 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
September 29 - Sunday	7:45 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir



SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANCE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED ...

A hearing assistance system (Williams Sound Corporation) and four receivers have been donated to CLC. A receiver (hearing aid) may be obtained from any usher. Please feel free to ask for one and make sure you return to an usher at the end of the service so it can be returned to its proper storage place for use at another time.

THIS MONTH IN OUR HISTORY!...

A monthly glimpse of the history of your Cheshire Lutheran Church:



September	
September 1959	First parsonage completed at 265 Peck Lane
September 10, 1995	Pastor Charles Gustafson installation at Cheshire Lutheran Church
September 26, 1957	6-acre site of current West Main property purchased for \$15,000
September 30, 1953	Pastor Louis Nuechterlein ordination into the Holy Ministry for Christ
September 2, 2007	Joe Ferwerda DCE installation
September 22, 2013	Andy Schaefer DCE installation

NEWS FROM OUR STEWARDSHIP DEACON...

Well, summer is rapidly coming to an end and the kids are back in school. Amazing how time flies, as we are almost three quarters through another year. Third quarter statements will be distributed soon. At this time last year, I was talking about the abundance of God’s gifts for us and that stewardship was not a test for us but rather for God. This past year has seen many good things for CLC and we are blessed with a strong congregation dedicated to God and a new future for CLC.

There are many great verses about stewardship in the Bible. They continue to remind us that God owns everything, and we are to wisely manage any resource that finds its way under our control. Use everything you have to point others to God and to advance His Kingdom. This is stewardship.

Remember this: The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. Each person should do as he has decided in his heart—not reluctantly or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. – 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Who knows what further blessings God has in store to pour down upon us?

Sincerely,

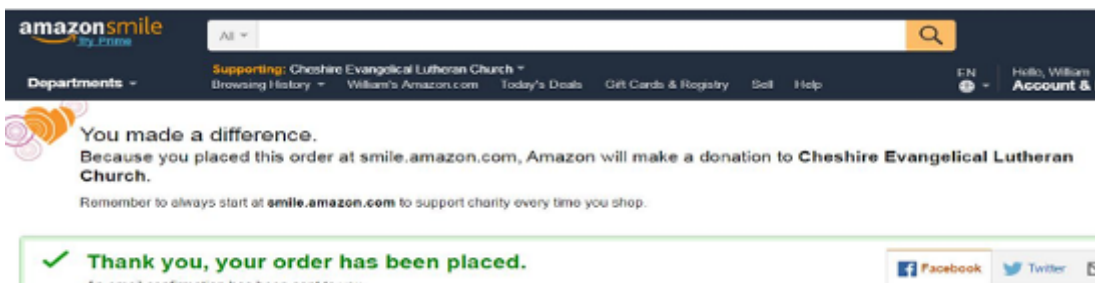
David Veleber
Stewardship Deacon



YOU SHOP. AMAZON GIVES...

If you happen to be an Amazon™ on-line shopper, Cheshire Lutheran Church is now a registered non-profit organization under the “Amazon Smile”™ program. So, whenever you shop on Amazon, instead go to www.smile.amazon.com, then log in, using your same username and password as you normally would on the traditional Amazon site. You will be asked to select a charity by browsing the list of registered organizations and selecting Cheshire Lutheran Church. Amazon Smile will donate .5% (that is .005) of the amount you purchase to CLC.

Here is a sample of the screen that you will see after completing a purchase:



You Shop. Amazon Gives

CANS AND BOTTLES—BOTTLES AND CANS...

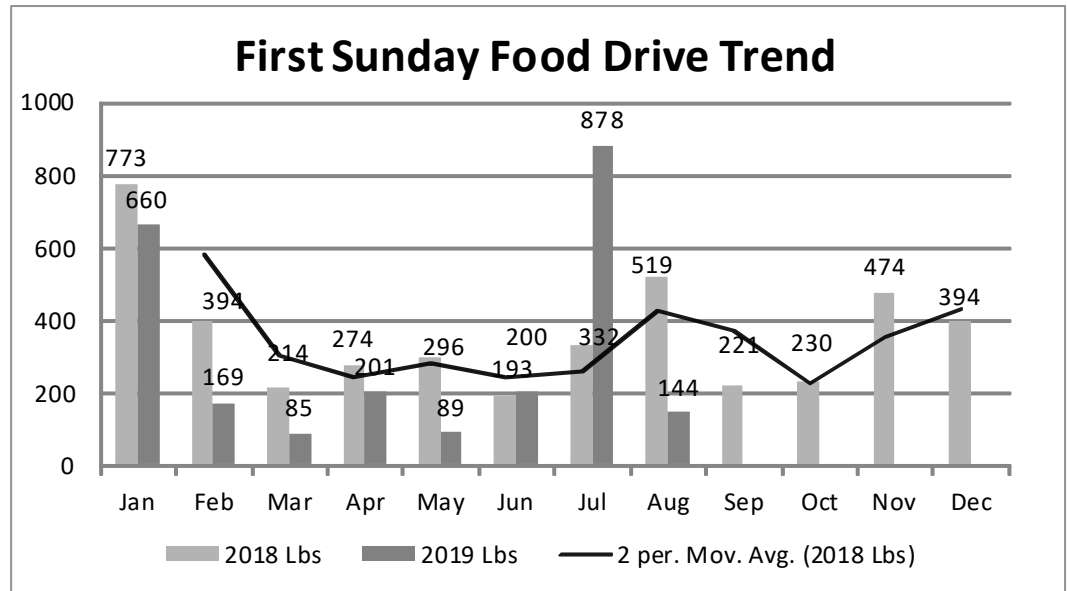
Save your returnable Bottle and Cans. Money raised will benefit Little Cherubs. A collection box is located in the storage closet towards the back of the Fellowship Hall.





DONATE YOUR FREEBIES!

If you happen to spot an item at the grocery store selling at a special price “buy one-get one free”, purchase it and donate the free item to First Sunday Food Drive



HELP WANTED

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry, Inc. is seeking new volunteers to assist on Tuesday or Thursday evenings. Hours are 2:30-6 PM. Commitment includes a few weeks of training either night with current volunteers. Once training & orientation is completed, we could discuss the best evening and task you would like to be a part of. We are also seeking individuals willing to be on-call as needed. Jobs include shopping with clients, reception desk & administration, stocking shelves, sorting donations, and helping donors drop-off food. Ability to lift 30lbs or more is a plus, but not required. All volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact April Duquette for more information. aduquette@cheshirefoodpantry.org or 203.699.9226.

“Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’” John 21:15b

LET'S NOT FORGET THOSE LESS FORTUNATE...



Don't let our First Sunday Food Bank donations fall behind last year's totals! Please note that the Cheshire Community Food Pantry is open Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. until Noon and Tues. & Thurs. from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Please check expiration dates. We want to ensure the food we are sending is not out of date. Also, please remember that we cannot accept opened packages. Any and all contributions are gratefully accepted, including non-food items such as soap, tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc.



CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs resume rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4, 2019. Wednesday Evening Rehearsals are as follows:

- 6:30 PM – Youth Choir
- 7:15 PM – Adult Bell Choir
- 8:00 PM – Parish Choir

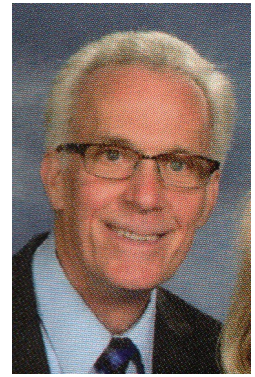
Each choir is praying for new members. Please consider joining, you will be happy you did!

NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...

CLC WILL BE PART OF - THE CHESHIRE FALL FESTIVAL!!

Once again, CLC will participate in the Cheshire Fall Festival on Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will have a tent and tables set up to distribute information about our Church family as well as Little Cherubs. If you are able to contribute some time representing CLC, please let us know by signing up on the sheet that is on the bulletin board. Any amount of time will be greatly appreciated. It is totally understandable if you are planning on attending the Fall Festival and unable to make a time commitment, but please be sure to stop by and show your support!

Encourage family, neighbors and friends to stop by!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 CONFIRMANDS

On Sunday, June 9, 2019 we celebrated the Rite of Confirmation of the following members:

- Ian Hunter Carrington
- Connor Robert DeLaubell
- Matthew Charles Emerick
- Ned Scott McBain
- Julia Ann Plantier
- Christopher Martin Shepard
- Alexandra Victoria Tyler



We rejoice together as these Youth mark this significant milestone in their personal and spiritual lives.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TO RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2019...

September 9: Rally Day!

Parents and kids join with the Sunday School Staff for a day of fun and games!

9:10 to 10:10 AM



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER TO THE LORD'S FAMILY...

We celebrate together as the *Elizabeth Marie Barden* was baptized into the Lord's family this Summer on Sunday, August 4, 2019.

We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.



GREETING CARD FUNDRAISER!

(A project of the Thursday Ladies Group)



A variety of greeting cards with Christian messages are for sale at \$1 each. These high quality cards are displayed in a rack on the counter outside the office. We will continuously update the selection which includes Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, Thank You, seasonal and miscellaneous choices.

After making your selection, please leave your money or check in the box attached to the display.

Thanks to all who continue to support this ongoing program. As a result of your purchases, an additional \$300 was donated to CLC and went towards our beautiful new exterior sign.

We appreciate your thoughtful participation in making this benevolence so successful.

Contact Persons: Rita Stark (272-3488) and Carolyn Bammann (272-7083).



ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

Remember to check the Bulletin Boards and/or hallway table for sign-up sheets and information about various events!

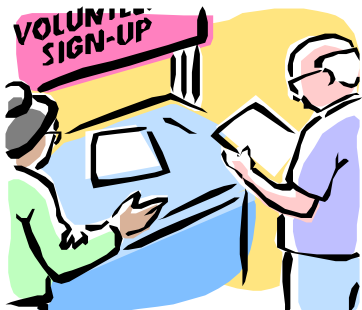
This month on the Bulletin Board:

- † Give Your Old Car A Good Home **Good News Garage** information
- † **Cheshire Food Drive** Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- † **Hope Center** 2019 volunteer sign-ups
- † **Little Cherubs** enrollment information
- † **Helping Hands** Committee volunteer sign-up
- † Cheshire Fall Festival volunteer Signup
- † **Sunday Morning Greeters** Volunteer Sign-Ups
- † 2019 Usher Schedule
- †

Others looking for help!

- † **Fellowship Deacon needs volunteers** to help make the events happen. Contact Karen Weiland if you can help in any capacity. 203-250-1574 or email kweiland3@sbcglobal.net
- † **Sunday School Teachers Needed**—Prayerfully consider serving our congregations children by volunteering to teach them a few Sunday mornings during the year. See Carlene Myers or Judy DiDomizio.
- † **All Choirs** rehearse on Wednesday evenings are as follows:
 - 6:30 PM – Youth Choir
 - 7:15 PM – Adult Bell Choir
 - 8:00 PM – Parish Choir

Now is the time to sign up to join the Parish Choir for Adults or the Youth Choir for Children. Previous singing in Choirs is not required, only a love of music and a desire to contribute to our worship on Sundays. Speak to Martha Medford or any current member of the choirs for Questions.



MANY THANKS TO OUR 2019 VBS VOLUNTEERS!...

Whether you could give us a few hours, a day, or the entire week, we are ever so grateful for your help!

Thanks also to all the folks who lent us baskets, stuffed animals, and other items to make CLC attractive to the 75 children who attended our program, to those who lugged items from room to room and to the Drust's for all the tasty snacks!



Carolyn Bammann	Karen Bailey	Lynn Balash	Cindy Barker
Barbara Carson	Ethel Daly	Diane Drust	Don Drust
Vicki DePaolo	Judy DiDomizio	Pat DiDomizio	Susan Harris
Barbara Hillis	Martha Henderson	Barbara Manthey	Christine Mason
Jim Mertz	Donna Quast	Tricia Rowold	Pastor Rowold
Carol Santoro	Alan Santoro	Deb Sherman	Christine Smith
Karen Smith	Nancy Smith	Kristina Tuscano	Judy Watson



Teens/Tweens

Conner DeLaubell	Matthew Emerick	Brandon Feero	Ian Carrington
Kaelyn Fitzgerald	Taylor Fitzgerald	Quincy Kwayu	Lydia Ghaly
Monica Ghaly	Sean Horton	Hannah Mayer	Michaela Rowold
Sarah Rowold	Ali Tyler	Julianna Tyler	
	Christina Yong	Olivia Zygart	

ANOTHER VBS THANKS FROM A GREATFUL GRANDMOTHER...

To all the organizers of this wonderful week,

This is from Noah, Sam, and Avielle's grandmother. I had the assignment of picking them up from Bible School each day at noon so I had the opportunity to hear all about their day and everything they learned. This was their first year attending and I want to thank all of you for all the work and effort you put into this for these little ones. Everything they learned will stay in their hearts forever. When our little six year old, Noah, went to swim one afternoon after Bible School, he felt a little nervous as it was one of his first times swimming for this season. He said aloud, "When life is scary, God is good!" Then he went right into the water (with his swimmie on!) He was so proud of himself and said that it helped him to remember that God was with him even though it was scary!

So...even though they're little, they're learning every second of the day and the increase in faith you gave those three little ones over this past week will stay with them forever.

God bless you for your unselfish commitment to giving of your time and energy for the sake of these young people. I know God cannot be outdone in generosity so be prepared to be extra blessed as a result! Thank you again.....

Sue



CLC SAYS GOODBYE TO OUR CHERISHED FRIENDS...



Sunrise February 11, 1930 ~ Sunset June 7, 2019
Grace M. Carson

Our beloved sister, Grace Carson, was called home to our Lord on June 7. A funeral was held at CLC on Wednesday, June 19, at 10:30 a.m.

In 1956 Grace and her husband George moved to Cheshire where they raised their family and were founding members of Cheshire Lutheran Church. They were active members of the congregation and Grace especially cherished singing in the choir and all the close friends she made there over the years.

Sunrise January 13, 1919 ~ Sunset July 13, 2019
Jean Elizabeth (Kovach) O'Hara



Our beloved sister, Jean O'Hara, was called home to our Lord on Saturday, July 13. A funeral was held at CLC on Saturday, July 27, at 10:00 a.m.

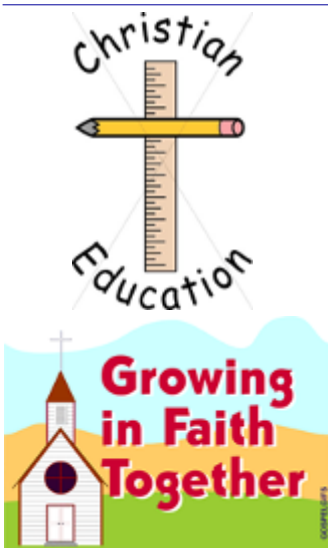
Jean was the organist at the Cheshire Lutheran Church for over 30 years prior to her retirement.

We thank God for Grace and Jean's ministry and service among us and for the opportunity to share in a common witness to the faith. The time has come to offer words of hope and comfort as we remember the promises of our Lord and faithful God.

None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. (Rom. 14:7-8)

May God's peace and consolation bring comfort to the Carson and Kovach/O'Hara families.

Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
Matthew 25:21



EDUCATION HOUR RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 8...

The Education Hour at CLC will resume on September 8th at 9:10 a.m. with a Rally Day continental breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Children, youth, parents, teachers and folks interested in Adult Bible Study are also invited to participate in a group "Bible Trivia" event.

Regular classes for four-year-old children to Youth in grade 12 will begin the following Sunday at 9:10 until 10:10 a.m. between the two worship services. Adult Bible study, conducted by Pastor Rowold, will be held simultaneously in the church library. All are welcome to participate.

We hope to see you all as we begin another year studying God's Word in fellowship with our church family here at CLC.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.



HOW TO REACH PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY...

If there is no answer in the Church Office, Pastor Rowold may be reached on his cell phone at (203) 800-5495.

NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

You are cordially invited to be a:

- ✝ **Reader**
- ✝ **Usher**
- ✝ **Greeter**
- ✝ **Singer or Ringer**
- ✝ **Altar Guild**

When: Sunday Mornings (for the most part)

Where: 660 West Main Street, Cheshire CT

RSVP 272-5106

Our weekly services don't just happen. For a typical four Sunday month, there can be at least 70 "periods of service" when members usher, acolyte, read lessons, greet other members before service, and prepare the altar. (And this does not count the choir's musical offerings that make our worship special).

When you attend service, you witness these "periods of service" and you benefit from them. Will you ascent the invitation to help in some way?

Will you answer like Isaiah?....."Here I am Lord. Send me."

Please contact the church office or David Schrumm, Worship Deacon, for more information on how you can serve.



NEW ON OUR WEBSITE...WWW.CHESHIRELUTHERAN.ORG

The following has been recently added to our Website:

- ✝ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists and Special Ensembles this Summer
- ✝ Current and Past Heavenly Heralds
- ✝ Video recordings from many past events
- ✝ Pictures from special events over the Summer
- ✝ Audio and Video recordings of Pastors Sermons and other events
- ✝ Pictures, pictures, pictures from all our past events other miscellaneous photos taken in and around the Church by Tim Weiland
- ✝ Much, much more...



FINANCIAL SECRETARY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU...

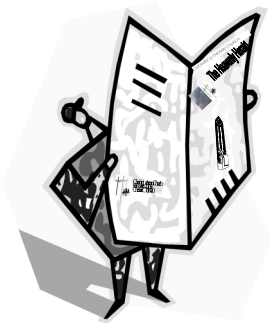
The Financial Secretary is always in need of volunteers to aid in counting church offerings after the 9:00 AM Sunday services. If you are available 4 - 6 times per year for approximately one hour, please contact Guy Mason (203) 250-7708 and/or gmason94@gmail.com.



Service Reminder!

We will resume our 2 Service Sunday Schedule on *Sunday September 8th*

- ✝ **Sunday Worship Services** at 8:00 and 10:30 AM
- ✝ **Sunday School** will be held at 9:10 AM in their respective classrooms starting September 15
- ✝ **Adult Sunday School/Bible Study** at 9:10 AM in the Library starting September 15
- ✝ **Fellowship/Coffee Hour** between Services in the Fellowship Hall starting September 15



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!! (October 2019 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (soulierbeth@sbcglobal.net) by Friday **September 20th** or earlier! Place all non-electronic articles and information you would like printed into the HH in Beth's lateral file folder on the hallway table.
Thank You!



NEED TO GET INFORMATION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION?

Just slip your information or a note into one of the folders on the hallway table outside the church office. Folders have been created for each of the council members, Beth Soulier (the editor of this newsletter) and a few others and placed outside the office. We have found that this is a great way to distribute information within the congregation.



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

Volunteers are be needed to prepare, serve and clean up Coffee Hour starting on September 15th. Coffee Hour will be held between Services during Adult Bible Study. In an effort to keep this much anticipated fellowship going, we need volunteers. Can you help set up coffee a few Sunday's during the year? Purchase or make baked goods to be served? Baked goods may be brought in at any time and placed in the freezer so we have something to serve every Sunday. Kindly sign-up on the Bulletin board and if you have questions you can contact the office. Thank you!

QUILTS OF VALOR UPDATE...

On Sunday, July 28, 2019 “Quilts of Valor” wrapped nine veterans and two military, still serving, in quilts made especially for them. This event was to thank them for their service. It was quite a Special occasion.

The veterans who received the quilts were:

Bob Davis - US Army	Bill Hillis - US Navy	Bill Juul - US Coast Guard
Al Manke - US Army	Jeff Mann - US Army	Cliff Ongley – US Army
Joe Stark - US Navy	Alex Wilde - US Army	Erica Schrumm Bencivenga US Navy – Still Serving
Mario Bencivenga US Navy – Still Serving		Julian Muller - US Army – Still Serving

We would also like to thank:

- The sewers
- Those that gave money to us which helped purchase supplies

This is a totally volunteer organization and depends on donations from the public to make these quilts happen.

The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor.

For more information please visit their website at <https://www.qovf.org/>



THANKS FROM A GRATFUL VETERAN...

Just wanted to send out a great big THANK YOU to Marilyn Miller, her committee, the Quilts of Valor Foundation and the amazing CLC congregation for the special recognition and presentation of quilts during our Sunday service on July 28th!! (And of course, thank you to Tim Weiland for all the great photos!)

In speaking with some of my fellow veterans that were honored during this presentation, I can truly say that we were completely blown away not only by the amazing quilts that were given, but also by the stirring spontaneous standing ovation that followed – Chills!

I said it many times during my time as congregation President and I say it again now, this congregation never ceases to amaze me and Kyong and I are honored to be part of it.

Yours in Christ,
1SG (Ret.) Jeff Mann
US Army 1978-1998



Our Sincere Appreciation



- ✠ Karen Weiland, the Fellowship Deacon, wishes to thank all the volunteers who enhanced our Summer Sunday worship with Lemonade/Iced Tea and snacks and wishes to thank all who helped with our very successful Church Picnic. A wonderful time was had by all!
- ✠ Many, many thanks to Martha Medford for working so hard this summer arranging and rehearsing for all our Summer musical performances. And thanks to all those that enhanced our services with their beautiful voices and musical talents!
- ✠ Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that made VBS this summer such a huge success! See more information in this Newsletter
- ✠ Special thanks to all that help to keep CLC grounds so lovely throughout the year. This summer saw lots of beautiful changes on our grounds for which we are eternally grateful. Much work was done on the "Berm" and of course under our beautiful new sign. Also the area behind the Columbarium is kept beautiful. Special Thanks to Tim Weiland, Jim & Margie Mertz, Ed and Nancy Schweizer, Don & Diane Drust and Randy Raddatz. We are BLESSED!
- ✠ We all thank Tim Weiland and Bill Juul for their photo and video contributions to us all. We greatly appreciate you always being there in the right time and at the right place to help us relive the memories made with our Church family. Thank you!



NEWS FROM OUR SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

Donations to the Orphan Grain Train School Kit project concluded on August 18th. Several volunteers gathered in the Library where we assembled 60 kits, 20% more than planned! The next day Vicki & Don DePaolo delivered the completed kits to the OGT warehouse in Terryville, CT.

The warehouse is an amazing sight to see. The entire first floor of the warehouse is dedicated to the OGT. There OGT volunteers sort and pack donations that are dropped off by working for 3 hours every Monday and Tuesday morning. There are clothes, shoes, medical equipment, hospital beds, bikes, health kits, pillow case dresses and backpacks packed into uniform boxes that are eventually loaded on a container and shipped to a needy location in the US or overseas.



Many thanks to all who contributed school supplies, monetary donations and, helped assemble the kits. A Thrivent Action Team grant was used to purchase the backpacks and to purchase some school supplies items for this project.

Dottie Dierolf
Social Welfare Deacon



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE REMINDER...

Sunday School will resume on September 8, 2019 with Rally Day!

CLCW LADIES NIGHT OUT...

LADIES, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO CLCW LADIES NIGHT OUT

It will be held at the MANOR INN, MILLDALE on Monday, October 7th at 6:00 p.m.

All ladies of the church are welcome to an evening of food, wine and fellowship.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the counter by the office.

See you there...



SHOP AT PATRICK BAKER & SONS...CLC GETS 10%...

Patrick Baker & Son's, 1650 West Street, Southington, has initiated a program that can earn cash rebates for CLC. 10% of purchases will be deposited in the church's account. Simply give them Cheshire Lutheran's name when shopping in the store. If purchasing through the web, visit www.Churchgoods.com; when checking out, select CLC as your church and place the provided church ID# in the church code box.



PASTOR'S PILGRIMS JOURNEYS TO "BONNIE SCOTLAND" IN 2021...

Presenting upcoming "Pastors Pilgrims" trips will be Pastor Greg Wismar and Ben Cross, from GLOBUS travel.

August 2021 may seem really far away, almost 2 years in advance. However, this trip includes the Edinburgh Military Tattoo. The Tattoo runs for only 3 weeks in August. Globus is offering a 10% 'Early Bird Discount' if you sign up now. Please contact Pastor Wismar at (wismar@prodigy.net). Additional brochures are on the counter. You can also speak with Vicki DePaolo about this trip.

See the Bulletin Board for more information.





The Cheshire Community Food Pantry, Inc.

Caring about our neighbors

Now that we are in our new building at 175 Sandbank Road and we have lots of refrigeration, we can finally take non-expired perishable items as well as nonperishable goods. We also have a vestibule with a refrigerator, so you can drop off donations when it is convenient for you.

Here is our “hot list”, however, we appreciate any and all non-perishable/non-expired food, cleaning supplies, paper goods and health and beauty items. Your generosity helps us keep our shelves filled and makes life a little easier for our clients:

Dairy:

Eggs, Milk, Cheese, Yogurt

Condiments:

Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard

Cooking/Baking Products:

Salt, Pepper, Cooking Oil, Olive Oil, Spices, Baking Mixes (various)

Pantry:

Salad Dressing, Pickles, Juice Boxes/Bottles, Canned Chicken, Applesauce and Canned Fruit, Cereal boxes, Crackers/Cookies, Grape Jelly (and any other flavors!), Coffee (regular and decaf)

Cleaning Supplies and Paper Items:

Paper towels, Toilet Paper, Paper Napkins, Laundry Detergent (small sizes are encouraged), Dish Detergent, Sponges, Wipes

Personal Items:

Bar Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Razor, Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant, Lotion

NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...

Hello to All,

Where has the Summer gone? It feels as if we just celebrated our end of the year picnic and graduation.

I, JoAnne, want to thank everyone for all the prayers for my recovery from being sick over the Summer.

We are starting our year off strong with 21 children registered in the 3 and 4 year old program. Martha, Cindy and I can't wait to see what this year has in store for all of us. We so look forward to meeting our new students and welcoming back those who were in our 3 year old Classroom last year.

We are looking for substitute teachers. If anyone is interested, we would love to meet with you and go over what would be necessary to qualify as a substitute.

We will still be welcoming Pastor to our classroom 2 times a week. The children so love that and so do we.

Little Cherubs will be getting new vinyl signs at the entrance of the school.

Next month will be filled with more exciting stories.

God Bless,



NEWS FROM THE HOUSE & GROUNDS DEACON...

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer, enjoyed some time off and spent time with family. Since my last report we've knocked a few projects off my list, hosted a very successful vacation bible camp and finished the sign out front.

Starting with the sign, I want to again thank Don Drust for getting the sign stone base and lighting finished in record time before our annual picnic in June. I'd also like to give a big shout out to Randy Raddatz for all the work he put into the Columbarium and new sign. Randy (along with Jim and Margie Mertz) cleaned up the berms, trimmed trees and spread mulch and new seed. The front of the church looks amazing and it's all thanks to the countless hours that some of our members put into the house and grounds of our church, God bless and thank you all again.

In June, we bought a much-needed new projector for vacation bible camp and it made a big impact on our program being able to use it in the sanctuary. Pastor and the Sunday school are already looking to use it this fall for teaching. Speaking of school, this summer Ed Schweizer and Dave Schrumm painted Little Cherubs, Bill Juul replaced some of the recessed lighting with LED bulbs and Ed replaced the door sweeps so we will be ready when schools starts up again this September. With the painting of the high school classroom we will have painted all the classrooms and Little Cherubs!

As I reported last time, Bill Juul had been working diligently on our existing wireless system to work out some feedback and sound issues. After much discussion it was decided that a new wireless system was need and in July Bill Juul installed our new system and I for one have noticed a big difference, the interference has gone away and the sound quality has improved, Thanks Bill!

We replaced a thermostat in the choir loft and once again had someone come out to repair the AC unit in Little Cherubs. Luckily there were no leaks and it looks like it was just a maintenance issue. At this point we look to be in good shape heading into the fall.

Lastly, if you drive by the church this fall on a Tuesday night you might hear music because the Cheshire Community Chorus will be using our Fellowship Hall to rehearse and we may even host a future concert. They have been looking for a new place to rehearse and after they toured our facility, they liked what they saw and we worked with them to set up a schedule. I look forward to working with them to spread music around town.

I want to again thank all those who make my job easier and our church and grounds look beautiful. If anyone is interested in helping in any way, please reach out to me any time after church, I'd love to talk to you and get you a cookie or other baked good!

Yours in Christ,
Andy Clark



Thank You!



Thank you to all that keep our Church grounds so lovely.!



CLC HELPING HANDS...

“Helping Hands” of CLC is designed to match members talents and time availability with those in need within our church family. In the past, this has formally included meal preparation and transportation needs and occasional visitation. Informally, there is a lot of helping “behind the scenes” from women and men in the congregation who see a need and respond to it. It is likely there are others who have needs and those who would be inclined to help but are unaware of the needs. Helping Hands is organized to meet the needs of both groups, men and women, singles and families.

Please consider requesting assistance such as meals, transportation, occasional errands, minor household repairs, and visitors.



Those able to offer occasional time and your talents, please sign up on the bulletin board, indicating your “offering”.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Please contact the church office (203-272-5106) or me (203-710-0753) to request assistance or for any concerns or questions. Please note that all information will be confidential.

Sally Schrumm, Chairman

HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER...



Volunteers to deliver baby items to Hope Pregnancy Center, located next to the Library in Cheshire, are needed. If you would like to help once or twice a year, please sign up on the bulletin board.

We have re-directed the donated baby items which are collected in the bassinet outside the church office. For years we have been donating them to “Baskets of Love” where women of the Waterbury Church of Christ used them to make baskets which are distributed to new mothers in Waterbury Hospital, Bristol Hospital and New Beginnings in Waterbury. We would like to now donate these items to the local organization “Hope for Life”, d.b.a. Hope Pregnancy Center. They are located at 110 Main Street, Cheshire in a facility provided by Christ Community Church. They will gratefully accept infant clothing and unused nursery equipment. For further information, see the poster hung above the bassinet.



Bible Studies at CLC

Come and join us as we dig deeper into God's Word together in one of our Bible Studies



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...

Sunday morning Bible study will resume for the Fall on Sunday, September 15 at 9:10 a.m. Everyone is invited to join us for Rally Day during the Education Hour the prior Sunday, September 8, where we'll enjoy a continental breakfast and a friendly game of Bible Trivia.



WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY...

The Wednesday afternoon Bible Study is continuing our walkthrough of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. Be with us every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON MEN'S AND LADIES' BIBLE STUDY GROUPS...

In addition to Sunday morning Bible study, our Thursday afternoon Ladies' and Men's Bible Studies will also be resuming. The Ladies will be meeting at 1:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, beginning on Sept. 12, while the Men will be at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays, beginning on Sept. 19.



YOUTH ROOM PAINTING...

On Saturday, August 18, eight Youth gathered at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room. By 1:30 p.m. that afternoon they had applied two coats of lilac paint to the walls and eaten lunch, all under the supervision of Pastor and four parents (who knew a lot more about room painting than Pastor).

Thank you to the Youth who participated and the parents who graciously gave their time. Thank you to Paul Emerick who brought his carpet cleaner to clean the Youth Room carpet for the first time in "no one seems to know how long." Thank you also to Ed Schweizer for all of his hard work: patching the walls, painting the ceiling and trim, doing all the edging, and the final touchups.

Stop by and see the new color if you haven't and, for all those wondering how the Youth chose the color lilac: it was the color the New England District Youth t-shirt that Ian Carrington was wearing the day the Youth met to discuss room renovations.



Summer 2019



Quilts of Valor presentation to all our cherished Veterans on July 28, 2019



Elizabeth Barden Baptism on August 4, 2019



Wonderful food and fellowship at our Annual Picnic on June 16, 2019



Special Men's Ensemble. Thank you for your wonderful music!



Our Beautiful NEW sign was installed this Summer!!



7 Youth were Confirmed on Sunday June 9, 2019



Memories



Our Nations Flag adorns the Columbarium in Honor of our Veterans over Independence Day weekend!



The kids and Leaders had a blast at VBS June 24 -28 ,2019



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 2019

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- 1st Kevin Weiland
Judy Watson
- 4th Timothy Daly
Christine Mason
Joe Holstein
- 8th Ian Clark
- 9th Terri Daly
- 11th Sally Schrumm
- 12th Allison Smith
- 14th Alan Spose
Lisette Donewald
Wendy Emerick
- 15th Leigh Giampietro
- 16th Joy McHugh
- 17th Madelyn Veleber
- 18th Alex Muller
Blake Feero
Cindy Baker
Frank Miller
- 22nd Nancy Schweizer
- 23rd Ken Leslie, Sr.
Aliza Taylor
- 24th Derek Henderson
- 26th Heather Shepard
Nancy Engelhardt
- 27th Erich Strunk, Sr.
- 28th Craig Henderson
- 29th Lisa Muller
- 30th Bill Juul



- 8th David and Sally Schrumm 46 Years
- 11th Jonah and Lisa Tyler 20 Years
- 21st Julian and Lisa Muller 23 Years
Peter and Rebecca Mayer 17 Years
- 25th Clifford and Paula Ongley 48 Years
- 26th Andy and Pam Clark 27 Years



COUNCIL AND VOTERS MEETING REMINDER...

Council/Voters will resume their meeting schedule in September. **Council** meeting will be held **Thursday September 5th at 7:00 PM.** September **Voters'** meeting will be held, Sunday **September 8th at after the late Service.**



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