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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR LOUIS NUECHTERLEIN

NEVER GIVE UP - ESPECIALLY IF GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT IS WITH YOU.

Pastor Rowold's front page article in the September issue of the HEAVENLY HERALD ("Return to the Lord your God"...Deuteronomy 30:2) struck me personally in a powerful way. If you're willing to read on, let me explain. Four years ago, shortly after the birth of our great-grandson Owen Lawrence Brod (son of Michael & Molly, who, in turn, are the son and daughter-in-law of our daughter Mary and her husband Bob Brod), I casually mentioned to Michael (after congratulating him!) that I would be honored to officiate at Owen's baptism. "Oh, Grandpa," he answered politely. "I know my parents took me to church regularly and during my early teens oversaw my being confirmed in the faith; but I lost my faith later during my four student years at Northwestern University. We're not planning to have Owen baptized."

Struggling to hide my disappointment, I asked Michael if he'd be willing to let me continue to be in occasional pastoral touch with him as the months passed, and he agreed. In fact, one Saturday a year or so later, he even drove all the way to Cheshire from Roslindale, MA (where he and Molly live) to spend a Saturday evening with me, discussing whether Christianity is still valid and true in this 21st century.

The next morning, he left for home again with an answer still "up in the air" for himself – and with me continuing to pray – "Holy Spirit, work within Michael, as only You can, the will to believe that we humans (including his newborn son) are all sinful and in need of God's forgiveness, which He promises for Jesus' sake to provide for us, beginning with the "washing with water and the Word" (Holy Baptism). PLUS: Each time we talked (mostly by phone), I asked Michael to pray (even if he wasn't fully convinced) for the Holy Spirit to persuade him

that the Bible's teaching re: baptism was still true and effective and powerful.

So things continued – until on October 31st of last year Michael and Molly became parents of a second son, Simon Richard, after which I sent them a printed copy of the Lutheran Rite of Holy Baptism (LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK. pages 268-271) – to read carefully, noting especially God's promise that baptism marks us as "redeemed by Christ the crucified" and our promise to believe it, as stated in the Apostles' Creed – and to bring up their two sons within Christ's Church.



As I wrote above, I know Michael to be a serious, thoughtful person; so, I did nothing further – except to keep praying for God's Spirit to do His work of "persuading". And I'm so very glad that HE DID! On Friday, August 22nd, of this year, Michael phoned to say, "Grandpa, Molly and I are ready! Can we come to Cheshire on Saturday, August 31st (a weekend when his parents were also planning to be here in Cheshire) for you to baptize both Owen and Simon?" Tears of joy came to my eyes as I joyfully replied "YES! DO COME!"

And so, M & M and sons drove here to Elim Park – and under the auspices of CLC the two baptisms took place in our EP Sanctuary, with Yours Truly doing the honors! (See picture of all of us on our CLC bulletin board.)

P. S. The very next day, on Sunday, September 1st, it so happened that our grandson Ben Harney, age 27, son of our daughter Anne, living in Tampa, FL, and happily married as of last April to a lovely nurse named Alexis, phoned here to our EP apartment with, among other matters, the following message: "and Grandpa, I just

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***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
(Fathers Day to Labor Day)



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NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT
AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Greetings All,



Fall has arrived and CLC has returned to our normal two service Sunday schedule. Choirs are singing, bells are ringing, and committees are busy planning both new and traditional activities. The town's annual fall festival has already taken place and soon we will be making apple pies – always a fun time!

Our September Council meeting was highlighted with a briefing on the first draft of our 2025 mission plan. Once again, our Finance Committee, led by Council Vice President Bill Soulier, has developed a solid plan. The Council approved draft was subsequently briefed at the September meeting of the Voter's Assembly and the final plan will be presented for Voter approval in November.

In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws, the September Council meeting also included the formation of our Nominating Committee. This important committee consisting of Andy Clark, Rob DeLaubell and Pat DiDomizio will approach existing officers and deacons eligible for another term to assess their intention for continued service. They will also accept nominations from members that would like to join the Council and will seek out replacements for projected openings.

After prayerful consideration I have decided that after three consecutive years as President, five in total, it is time for me to step down. I thoroughly enjoy and appreciate the opportunity to serve this amazing congregation, and I consider it an honor to lead such a talented and dedicated Council. It is truly a pleasure working with Pastor Rowold, Martha, and Brenna. We are blessed!

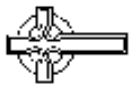
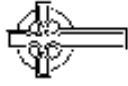
Our Nominating Committee will notify the congregation of any open officer and/or deacon positions after speaking with incumbent members. Please give prayerful consideration to the lending of your time and talents by accepting one of these important positions. As I have stated numerous times, you never serve alone, and you will be amazed at how many members are standing by to assist in any way needed.


Our next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22nd. Please reach out to me or any other member of the Council if you have any concerns or topics you would like us to address. The next meeting of the Voter Assembly will be Sunday, November 10th.

Yours in Christ,
Jeff Mann

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GLC Calendar October 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	3	4	5 6:00 Potluck & Bread Making
6 8:00 Holy Communion 9:10 SSchool, Youth & Adult Bible Studies 10:30 Holy Communion	7	8	9 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	10	11	12
13 8:00 Worship 9:10 SSchool, Youth & Adult Bible Studies FUN SUNDAY! 10:30 Worship	14	15	16 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	17	18	19 2:00 Cyber Security Presentation
20 8:00 Holy Communion 9:10 SSchool, Youth & Adult Bible Studies 10:30 Holy Communion 11:45 Oktoberfest	21	22 7:00 Council Meeting	23 1:30 Bible Study 7:00 Bell Choir 7:45 Parish Choir	24	25	26 8:30 a.m. Apple Pie Workshop 
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thought you might like to know that I'm now again going to church on Sundays.

My response to all of the above? "O give thanks unto the Lord! ALLELUIA!"

And my reminder to all of you here at CLC is Never Give Up! God's Holy Spirit IS with you.

Pastor Louis Nuechterlein

(Editors note: See a recent Nuechterlein family photo posted on the Bulletin Board at Church...)



NOTICE OF UPCOMING ELECTIONS...

The following Officers and Deacons are to be elected at the Voters' Assembly meeting to be held on Sunday, **November 10th** after the 10:30 a.m. service:

<u>Officers (term of 1 year)</u>	<u>Deacons (term of 3 years)</u>
President	House & Grounds Deacon
Vice-President	Social Welfare Deacon
Recording Secretary	
Financial Secretary	
Treasurer	



New officers will be installed on the first Sunday of 2025.

CLC members are invited to contact any member of the Nominating Committee if you are interested in filling an elected position, or if you would like to propose a candidate for election.

Nominees shall be at least eighteen years of age and shall be confirmed members of the congregation. Please consult the church directory if you would like to communicate with any member.

Our Nominating Committee members this year are: Andy Clark, Pat DiDomizio, and Rob DeLaubell

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.

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

Contact Person: Paula Ongley



Grace Alone
Faith Alone
Scripture Alone



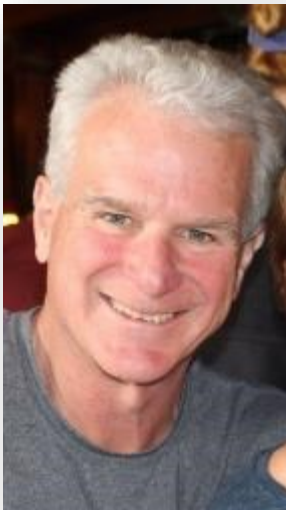
Happy
Reformation!



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.

NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY...

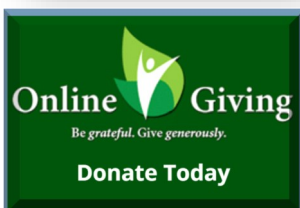


Reminders from Your Friendly Neighborhood Financial Secretary:

- ✚ If you have Pledge envelopes PLEASE use them, having to lookup members envelope numbers can lead to human error.
- ✚ Please remember to mark on the outside of your offering envelopes with the exact amount of money enclosed. This is a very important check and balance for us.
- ✚ If you've been absent for some time and want to bring your offerings up to date, kindly use ONE rather than MANY envelopes.
- ✚ PLEASE do not post-date checks.
- ✚ PLEASE use black or blue ink for your checks.
- ✚ You can submit donations to the church via *online transactions* through the Church's website.
 - ◆ Additional Information:
 - * No transaction fees when contributing directly from a bank account. If contributing via credit or debit card, the donor has the option of adding 3% to help offset processing fees
 - * Contributions may be made to the "General Fund" or "Other Fund" (e.g. in memory of, music, youth, etc.)
 - * Contributions can be recurring or one time only
 - * The ability to create an account or make donations as a guest.

Any questions please email the Financial Secretary at or contact Alan Santoro directly.

Alan Santoro—Financial Secretary



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

This year in Sunday School we are encouraging kids to have a **brief** snack with their families at the start of Coffee Hour, because Sunday School will start promptly at 9:20 each Sunday. We will gather in the area across from the kitchen for opening and the Bible narrative and then go to classrooms for review of the lesson and activities.

When the students go to the classrooms, they will be divided into 4 groups: Toddler and Parent; Pre-K to Kindergarten; Grade 1-3; and Grades 4-6. Grades 7-12 will be with Mr. Andy Clark for Youth Bible Study. At 10:20, Sunday School will end and the students will rejoin their families.

We are using Enduring Faith materials from Concordia Publishing House for the lessons this year. Every lesson has a take home page with a brief summary, main point and an activity that can be done as a family to reinforce the lesson.

We will have a "Fun Sunday" this month on October 13, 2024. On this day, we will gather and stay together as a group the whole time; instead of a normal lesson, we will have Bible-based fun and learn a little about Joseph.

We will have Sunday School most Sundays during the School Year, but there will be a total of 4 Sundays off. This year, the Sundays off will be December 1 (Thanksgiving weekend), December 22 & 29 (Christmas break), and April 20 (Easter Sunday). The rest of the school year we will have Sunday School every Sunday, either a regular lesson or a "Fun Sunday" when the schools are closed the next day.

The Sunday School Bulletin Board outside the Church office will have information about the current week in Sunday School and the next, so you can know what the current and next lessons are at a quick glance.

Save the dates! We will have the Annual Christmas Program on December 8, 2024, during the 10:30 service. The Script will be sent home in October and rehearsals will begin on November 10, 2024, during the Sunday School hour.

Thank you to our teachers and parents for your support and involvement in our Sunday School program.

Vacation Bible School

The dates for Vacation Bible School are July 7-11, 2025. The theme is still to be determined. If you are interested in helping plan VBS, we will be meeting in November to pick the theme, watch your bulletin for the meeting date.

Parents, remember to **THANK** our staff and teachers this year, they are:

- ✠ Education Deacon: Kelley Collins-Pardee
- ✠ Sunday School Superintendent: Tricia Rowold
- ✠ Adult Bible Study: Pastor David Rowold
- ✠ Youth Bible Study: Andy Clark
- ✠ 4th- 6th Grade: Susan Harris and Tricia Rowold
- ✠ 1st -3rd Grade: Lynn Balash
- ✠ Pre-K – Kindergarten: Pam Clark
- ✠ Toddler and Parent Class: Erica Bencivenga
- ✠ Substitutes: Terri Daly, Kelley Collins-Pardee and Dora Jacobson

Tricia Rowold
Sunday School Superintendent



CLC Installation of Sunday School teachers on September 8, 2024

NEWS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP DEACON...



CLC Potluck and Sourdough

Saturday, October 5th, 6PM we will have a Potluck dinner followed by a very short lesson in mixing a sourdough bread. Susan Harris will teach us how to make a simple sourdough bread. Attendees are asked to bring a large (12 cup) plastic bowl with tight fitting lid, a rubber spatula or wooden spoon, 2 measuring cups - one for flour one for liquid, 1 and 1/2 measuring tea-spoons, and CLC will provide the 3 ingredients. I can almost smell it already!

Come join us for an **Octoberfest celebration, October 20th**, following the 10:30 service. We will combine the activities of Fall and our Lutheran traditions with pumpkin decorating and games ('Bible Smugglers' and 'Did Luther Really Say That?') as well as German food. We ask you to sign up on the bulletin board and, if able, to please bring a German styled main dish, side or dessert to share. The Fellowship Committee will supply some bratwurst, knackwurst and large soft pretzels. If you do not know exactly what each of these wurst are, join us and try them all!

Pam Clark
Fellowship Deacon

Cheshire Lutheran Church
660 West Main Street, Cheshire, CT

Presents
Thimble Islands Saxophone Quartet



Sunday, October 27, 2024
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Free Admission

Featuring music by Bach, Beethoven, Gershwin, Jelly Roll Morton, Bernstein, and Billy Joel.

THIMBLE ISLANDS SAXOPHONE QUARTET CONCERT...

The Thimble Islands Saxophone Quartet will present a concert on Sunday, October 27, at 3:00 p.m. at Cheshire Lutheran Church.

The quartet members are Frank Vasi, Tim Moran, Michael Schuster, and Chris Herbert. They will be playing a wide variety of music by Bach, Beethoven, Gershwin, Jelly Roll Morton, Bernstein, and Billy Joel.

Please invite friends, family and our community to enjoy this wonderful event.—Admission is free.



OUR SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER LIST...

If you have submitted a name to the Prayer list, please try to give Pastor periodic updates on the people we are praying for, especially if circumstances have improved and they should be removed from the list. We take great joy when we are able to take a name off the list for good reasons.



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.

NEW PICTORIAL CLC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY COMING SOON...

We're excited to announce that an updated pictorial member directory is in the works!

What you need to know:

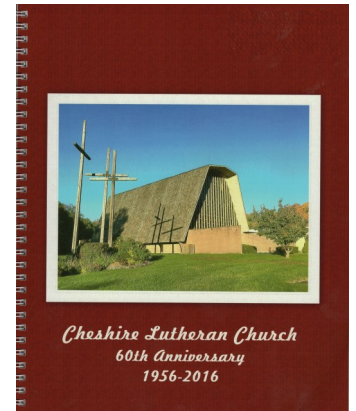
- ✦ The directory will feature updated pictures of our CLC family.
- ✦ It's designed to help congregants "put a name to a face" during Sunday services and other gatherings.
- ✦ April Slauson has volunteered to lead this effort, starting in September.
- ✦ We're praying for 100% participation.
- ✦ Picture sessions will take place at the church, beginning Sunday, September 15 through October (if needed).
- ✦ Photos will be taken in the Fellowship Hall in 15-minute intervals after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services each Sunday.
- ✦ Sign-up sheets for time slots will be available on the bulletin board.
- ✦ If you prefer not to include your picture, please confirm your accurate contact details using the pre-printed sheets available outside the Church office.

What you need to do:

- ✦ Sign up for a 15-minute time slot that works for you.
- ✦ Mark your calendars and arrive at Church at your designated time, dressed appropriately and ready to smile!
- ✦ For members opting out of the directory, we ask that you confirm/update your contact information.

Feel free to reach out to April Slauson via email at jagger1943@aol.com if you have any questions.

Submitted by April Slauson



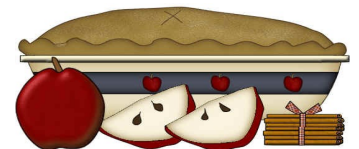
APPLE PIES ARE BACK!!...

OCTOBER 26, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

The CLCW will be hosting its annual Apple Pie Workshop on Saturday, October 26th at 8:30 a.m. The number of pies to be made will depend on the number of pies that are pre-ordered by the members of the congregation and their friends.

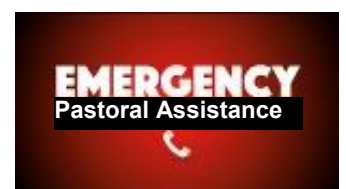
Order forms can be found on the Bulletin Board after September 29th. So, order your pies and, if you are able, come to the workshop (see sign-up sheet on bulletin board) and participate in the fun of making them.

Any questions, please contact Karen Weiland at



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 listed in our church directory.





CLC CHOIR NEWS...

- ♫ Parish Choir will perform on October 6th & 20th
- ♫ Bell Choir will perform on October Reformation October 27th
- ♫ Thimble Island Saxophone Quartet Concert on October 27th

CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
October 2 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 6 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
October 9 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 13 - Sunday	10:30 AM	Performance	Hymn or Soloist
October 16 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 20 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
October 23- Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
October 27 - Sunday <i>Reformation Sunday</i>	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
<i>Thimble Island Saxophone Quartet Concert</i>	3:00 PM	Performance	<i>Thimble Island Saxophone Quartet</i>
October 30 - Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:45 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir

Our Sincere Appreciation



- ✚ Thanks to all who helped plan, work and help out for Sunday School Rally Day. Everyone had a terrific time.
- ✚ We always want to remember to thank all the folk that help out around the church! So much work needs to get done and does get done due to the hard work and dedication of so many unsung heroes! We are blessed and thank you from the bottom of our hearts!
- ✚ We can not thank Pastor, Martha, Live Stream Team and all the volunteers for working so hard to make sure our online Services run so smoothly. We appreciate you all and we are Blessed.
- ✚ Very Special thanks to the Evangelism Committee and booth volunteers for representing CLC at the Cheshire Fall Festival.
- ✚ Many thanks to April Slauson for volunteering to creating the newly Pictorial Member Directory. Thank You.

NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

You are cordially invited to be a:



- † **Reader**
- † **Usher**
- † **Greeter**
- † **Singer or Ringer**
- † **Altar Guild**
- † **Live Stream Camera Operator**



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).

LESSON READERS for Sunday worship are needed! Please contact April Slauson for more information.



NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

Feed the Northeast and Thanksgiving Food Baskets Combined This Year



We are eagerly awaiting details for our annual **FEED THE NORTHEAST** initiative. In October, we are challenged to be among the first 100 churches to donate 500 food items to our local food pantry. Upon achieving this, the food pantry will receive a monetary donation from Feed the Northeast. We’ve successfully met this challenge every year, so *let’s aim to do it again!*

I will inform everyone once we receive the official start date for Feed the Northeast. Please note, we cannot count any food items until we have this information. Also, remember that dish soap does not count as a food item.

Thanksgiving Food Basket Items:

Later in October, we will notify the congregation about the specific items assigned to us by the Food Pantry. Due to increased need, we are asked to collect 150 of each assigned item, which will contribute to our goal of 500 items for the Feed the Northeast event.

Cheshire Food Pantry—Adopt a Shelf

Your generosity makes a significant impact on those in need.

- **Adopt a Shelf - Liquid Dish Soap:** We’re continuing our “Adopt a Shelf” program, focusing on **liquid dish soap**.
- **Delivery Sign-Up:** When signing up to deliver items to the food pantry, please aim for the **third week of the month**. This helps us accurately record our food totals for the **Heavenly Herald**.
- **Summer Contribution and Delivery Recap:** During the summer, our wonderful community contributed **249 pounds** of essential items.

Thank you for your support
Nancy Engelhardt
Social Welfare Deacon



NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...



Fall is here and all the great activities that parents can do with their children are endless. Hiking, apple and pumpkin picking, and baking are to name a few. The changes in the earth's surroundings are quite visible and display a palette of colors for all to see.

Pre-K 4-year-old class:

We've had a wonderful start to the year! The children are enjoying being with old friends and making some new ones.

We currently have 11 enrolled, so, we have spots still available. Mention to friends, relatives, and others that you run into around town.

Numbers 1-5 and Letters A-D

Themes:

Fall, Apples, Johnny Appleseed, Ice Cream Cone's Birthday, Author Tomie dePaola's Birthday (We had ice cream and ice cream cones on Ice Cream Cone's Birthday. We made pasta and butter for Tomie dePaola's "Strega Nona" and Pancakes for Tomie dePaola's "Pancakes for Breakfast". We read "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom and the kids made their own Chicka Chicka Boom Boom tree to take home and one big one on the wall; the tree trunk was stamped with all the alphabet.)

Bible

Bible Stories about Creation, Adam and Eve, Noah, and much, much more! We currently are creating an art book of creation. The children's art is beautiful.



Pastor continues to visit us. We and the children are so appreciative when he visits the classroom. Pastor spends time with the children going over their day, the bible story of the week, and what they are doing next. He is such a big help.

At the beginning of the school year, our Pre K 4-year-old's were given a blank cut-out house. Their assignment was to fill it up with pictures of their family and any other thing that interests them. It also gives the children an opportunity to show their friends their house. We continue to have show and tell on Fridays.

A special thank you goes to all who got our classroom ready over the summer with buffed floors, clean carpets, power-washed play equipment, new mulch, sand, and anything that I might have missed. We must thank Ed and Todd for making our school perfect.

Also, a special thank you goes to our teachers who took weeks to clean our toys and put our classroom back together to prepare for our Orientation on August 30, 2024. They are so appreciated by all. It went off without a hitch.

3-year-olds class:

We have 15 3's in this class. (We are growing).

Numbers 1-4 and Letters A-E



Themes

"All About Me", "Colors", "Shapes", "Fall Season", "Apples"
Fall Season Stories that were read – "I am Special", "The Kissing Hand" and will read "Bear Sees Colors", "Mouse Paint", "The Shape of Things", "Bears In A Square", "It's Apple Picking Time", "Apples & Pumpkins", "Leaves, Leaves" and many more.

Art

They also had read to them "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" and made their own Tree, like the 4's. They have been focusing on their Creation Book and have many more projects to work on throughout the month.

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Bible

Creation Story, Adam & Eve, Noah

We welcomed Fall, getting to know all the children once again and the new ones. Pastor visits our class every Thursday. The Little Ones are getting to know him.

The 3's have welcomed a new teacher this year, Ms. Tracy Lennon. She works with Michele and Fiona. Ms. Tracy was the Director/Head Teacher at Good Shepard Preschool in Wallingford. It recently closed and we welcomed her here with open arms.

We would like to let you know that Little Cherubs held Summer Camp. Ms. Michele and Ms. Tracy worked the camp. It was wonderful and many children took part. This was a trial Summer Camp. We will see about next year.



2024—2025 Registration

Little Cherubs is still taking registration for the 2024—2025 school year. If you, or someone you know, have a child who is preschool eligible, please call the Church or Preschool office for more information. A registration packet may also be picked up from the counter outside the Church Office!

The Staff of Little Cherubs
JoAnn, Michele, Fiona, and Tracy

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

The following has been recently added to our Website:

- ✚ Wonderful aerial drone video put to music of our beautiful church grounds
- ✚ Live streaming and video recordings of Sunday Services during
- ✚ Service video with enhanced music recordings—YouTube sometimes does not broadcast the best sounding audio.
- ✚ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists and Special Ensembles this Summer
- ✚ Current and Past Heavenly Heralds.
- ✚ Video recordings from many past events.
- ✚ Audio and Video recordings of Pastor's Sermons and other events.
- ✚ Pictures, pictures, pictures and more pictures from all our past events other miscellaneous photos taken in and around the Church by Tim Weiland.
- ✚ Much, much more...

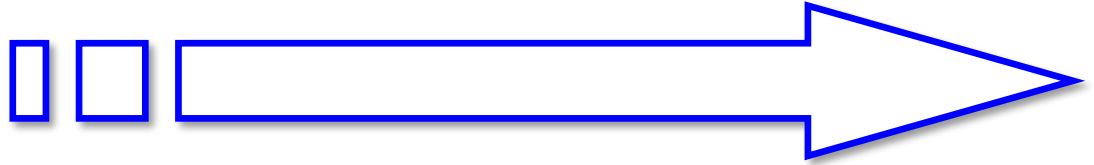


David DeFeo, Executive Director of the Cheshire Community Food Pantry, recognizes CLC for its many years of support on September 8, 2024. Nancy Englehardt, Social Welfare deacon, and Pastor Rowold represent CLC.

WELLNESS & SAFETY COMMITTEE NEWS...



As technology continues to advance and expand, so do scammers, learning new methods to try to steal your money or your identity. This page includes information on common scams to be aware of and tips that can help keep you safe.



October is once again National Fire Prevention month. Even though we only talk about it during our Sunday morning announcements in October, it's still important for all of us to take some time and be prepared.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS AT HOME

1. Make sure you have working smoke alarms in your home – one for every level. Remember to check all of them every month and to change the batteries regularly. (Twice a year is a common recommendation, and the beginning and end of daylight savings time can be a helpful reminder.) For added safety you can get units that are both smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.
2. Avoid electrical fires by unplugging appliances when not in use (This can save on your electricity bill too.) and do not overload outlets by plugging in too many devices with things like power strips. When using an extension cord, make sure it is thicker than the cord for the device you are plugging in (to keep from overloading the extension cord) and do not put electrical wires under rugs or in high traffic areas.
3. Consider getting at least one fire extinguisher for your home. More fires start in the kitchen than in any other room, so this would be a good place to have one. Remember to get a fire extinguisher that is designed to work on common fires you might have in your home.
4. Clean the lint trap of your clothes dryer regularly, preferably after every drying cycle, and clear out any lint under or behind the dryer twice a year. Fires in residential areas often start in the clothes dryer.
5. Have an escape plan for how you will get out of your home if there is ever a fire. Make sure you know the route out of every room in your house and practice getting out. Practice staying low to the ground and checking doors with the back of your hand to see if it is hot. Don't forget to designate a place outside of the home and far enough away where everyone will gather to make sure they are safe.



IF THERE IS EVER A FIRE AT CHURCH

Make your way to the nearest exit and go outside; when you are outside head to one of two



meeting places. If you see the Church sign when you get outside, you are at the front of the building – head towards the sign and wait on the front lawn by it. If you see the large white cross, you are at the back or the side of the building – head towards the cross and wait on the back lawn by it. If you have limited mobility, ask for help and other members will assist you in getting as far from the building as possible.



Internet Scams and Tips To Avoid Them

Saturday, October 19, 2:00 pm

Cheshire Lutheran Church, 660 West Main Street, Cheshire, CT



We'll explore topics like:

- Cybersecurity
- Phishing
- Identity theft,
- Common **impersonation** scams including, grandparent/grandchild, tech support and government
- Scams, including lottery and home repair

Additionally, we'll dedicate equal time to discussing preventive measures to help you avoid falling victim to these threats.

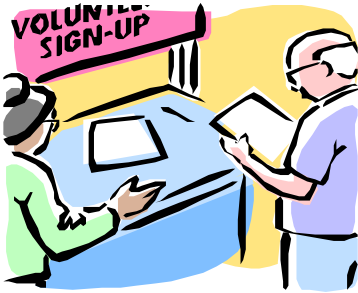


Ron Offutt is a retired agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation where he served 34 years investigating white collar crimes.

He is also a Certified Public Accountant.

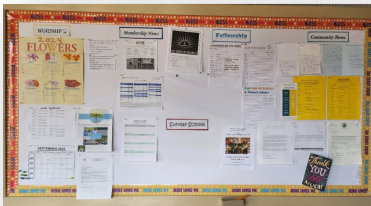
ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

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:

- † 2024 Flower Chart Sign-up
- † CLC Usher Schedule
- † Live Stream Camera & Operator sign-up
- † Updated Address information for Pastor N & Gloria and Bo Hagstrom at Elim Park ♡
- † Names of those serving on our CLC Council and Deacons
- † Lutheran Church Extension Fund information
- † Recent Nuechterlein Family photo—See Pastors Message in October HH
- † Life Shines in Darkness LFL Regional Conference—Northeast in October information
- † CLC Pictorial Photo Session sign-up
- † Apple Picking and Hayride sign-up
- † Octoberfest sign-up
- † Thimble Island Saxophone Quartet concert information
- † Sunday Coffee Hour sign-up
- † Easy Bread Baking & Potluck Dinner sign-up
- † Thank You Cards and other correspondence
- † Hope Pregnancy Center volunteer sign-ups
- † Cheshire Food Drive Volunteer info. and sign-ups



Others looking for help!

- † Fellowship Deacon needs volunteers to help make the events happen. Contact Pam Clark if you can help in any capacity.
- † Sunday School Teachers Needed—Prayerfully consider serving our congregations children by volunteering to teach them a few Sunday mornings during the year. See Pastor Rowold, Tricia Rowold or Craig Wilson.
- † Ushers are needed to work both services. Contact April Slauson to volunteer.

DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS PRESCHOOL AGE?...



If so, please suggest to their parents that they look into our Little Cherubs Christian Preschool program. Little Cherubs was the recipient of the 2023 Cheshire award for BEST PRESCHOOL. We are: a state licensed facility, our curriculum supports State of CT Benchmarks, focus is on kindergarten readiness, there is a low student to teacher ratio and we have enrichment programs available!

Little Cherubs Preschool offers a sound Christian curriculum and quality learning opportunities that nurture a child's spiritual, intellectual, social, physical & emotional growth and development.

For detailed information about our Little Cherubs program please visit our church's website: www.cheshirelutheran.org/little-cherubs-christian-preschool/

Kelley Collins-Pardee
Christian Education Deacon



2024 - 51 Years of Giving
The Cheshire Food Drive
First Saturday & Sunday in November
9 A.M. to 3 P.M.
On the "Church Green" in Cheshire Center



WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit, tax-exempt organization drawing committee members and support from all areas of Cheshire in our goal to feed our neighbors.

WHAT WE DO

- ↳ Sponsor collections of food at schools and local businesses during the month of October, culminating in our November public collection on the town green to stock the *Cheshire Food Pantry* located at St. Bridget's Church which serves over 100 families of all faiths.
- ↳ Financially support the *Food Voucher Program* administered through the Cheshire Department of Human Services to provide unrestricted food assistance to Cheshire families in need of short-term emergency help.

WHAT WE NEED

Food donations of high nutritional value - cans and boxes please

- | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Canned meat | Boxed snacks | Powdered Milk | Tomato sauces |
| Peanut Butter | Pasta and Rice | Tuna Fish | Granola bars |
| Vegetables | Soups and Stews | Juices/Juice boxes | Cereal |

Monetary Donations - Please make checks payable to :
CESHIRE FOOD DRIVE PO Box 926 Cheshire, CT 06410 - 0926



First full weekend in November
 Congregational Church Green

Shopping List

- Cash for vouchers
- Shelf-stable milk
- Granola bars/snacks
- Canned chicken/meat
- Cereal
- Condiments
- Flour/sugar/baking
- Tuna fish
- Salt/pepper/spices
- Rice/grains
- Coffee/tea/cocoa
- Pasta & sauce
- Soups/stews
- Canned/dried beans
- Canned tomatoes
- Fruit cups
- Juice boxes
- Nut butters

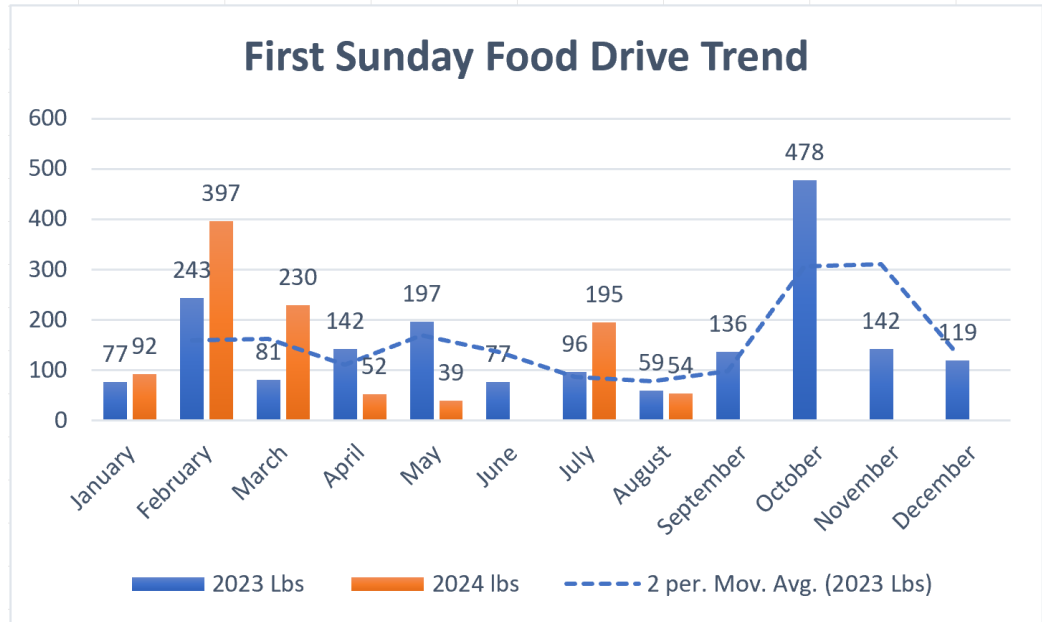
Among all the other items listed above and to the left, the Cheshire Food Pantry is especially in need of:

- stews/chowders
- Spam
- Hash
- cannellini beans
- Coffee
- Crackers
- pudding
- peanut butter
- Sugar
- Flour
- canned tomatoes
- paper towels



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



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 the Food Pantry for more information.

“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. Tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc.

CHESHIRE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS HELP...

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry needs our help more than ever. Covid-19 has decreased contributions, children are home and people out of work. There are no Sunday donations to the Pantry. We can directly drop off items at the Pantry or send a cash for them to purchase what they need most. **THEY NEED OUR HELP!**

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry is located at:
 175 Sandbank Rd
 Cheshire Ct 06410

Send Checks to:
 Cheshire Community Food Pantry PO BOX 457
 or
 you can donate \$\$ to them online at <https://www.cheshirefoodpantry.org/>

Call for drop off times: 203-699-9226

MEMORIAL GARDEN & COLUMBARIUM NEWS...

The Columbarium Committee continues to communicate and meet regularly to discuss status of Inurnment Subscription and Memorial Plaque purchases.

Reminder to families and loved ones of the inurned, per our By Laws, kindly refrain from leaving items (flora, trinkets, etc.) at or around the Columbarium. While we understand this is done in loving remembrance, CLC does not have the staff to remove these items in a timely manner. Please feel free to discuss with any member of the committee. Thanks so much.

Subscriptions

- ✦ There are currently 14 of our CLC Family inurned in our Columbarium and 1 pending Inurnment occurring soon
- ✦ There are currently 30 inurnment subscriptions & 6 pending possibilities
- ✦ We have 22 memorial plaques purchased, and one pending possibility

The following congregants now rest in our hearts and whose remains are a reminder to remain steadfast in hope and faith that we will be reunited.

Saints Inurned In Our Columbarium

- Marilyn E. Allesandrine (Jul. 31, 1939 – Mar. 21, 2019)
- Lillian Derganc (June 4, 1933 - Sep. 6, 2023)
- Judith Schnaars DiDomizio (Dec. 4, 1941 – May 10, 2021)
- Richard Hagstrom (May 22, 1930 – July 4, 2021)
- Edythe (Diddy) Izard (May 17, 1922—Mar. 7, 2023)
- Richard (Dick) Izard (June 20, 1921—July 4, 2009)
- Philip L. Kenney (Aug. 4, 1927 – Nov. 22, 2013)
- Arthur F. Munter Sr. (Feb. 8, 1929 – Jan. 21, 2018)
- Mary Bianchini Munter (Jun. 16, 1929 – Mar. 11, 2021)
- William F. Schmollinger (Feb. 9, 1924 - Jan. 20, 2007)
- Carolyn R. Schmollinger (Jan. 13, 1929 - June 28, 2022)
- Ralph Joseph Schupp (Nov. 9, 1926 - Sep. 20, 2021)
- Joseph W. Stark (June 17, 1932 - Dec. 31, 2021)
- Rita Martha Stark (Mar. 30, 1932 - June 5, 2023)

Consider this Beautiful spot for Memorial Plaque or to house your final remains.

For more information, grab a pamphlet and/or contact any member of the Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee. Please also stay tuned in the coming weeks for more information to our congregants regarding End of Life Planning.

John Mulvaney	Priscilla Mulvaney	Vicki DePaolo
Jim Mertz	Margie Mertz	Randy Raddatz
Pat DiDomizio	Bill Soulier	Beth Soulier
Tim Weiland		Ed Schweizer



Daylight Savings Time Ends

Daylight Saving Time (United States) ends **Sunday, November 3, 2024.**

Move your clocks *back* 1 hour so you are not early for Church!

So, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO HELP?...

Are you serving as an acolyte, an altar assistant, an usher, a reader, or a choir member? All of these folks help to make our services happen on Sunday morning; it's because of their involvement and participation that our services are as rich, and full, and well run as they are. If you are not serving in one of these ways, please do. We are currently looking for readers, ushers, and choir members (youth and adult and handbell).



If you can sing, please join the youth or adult choir. If you can't sing, then please be a reader. If you can't read in front of people, then be an usher. If you can't walk up and down the aisles to collect the offering, please join the bell choir. We have ways that just about every member of our family of faith can help – all we need is you. To join one of the choirs, speak to Martha Medford. To be a reader or an usher, speak to David Schrumm.



CANS AND BOTTLES—BOTTLES AND CANS...

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

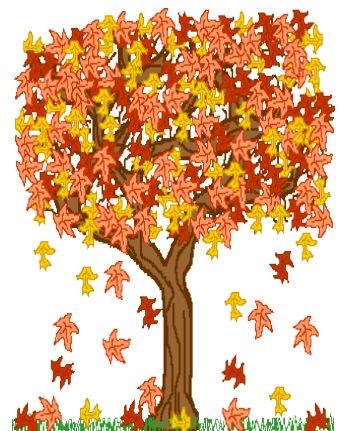


THIS MONTH IN OUR HISTORY!...

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

October

October 31, 1517	Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany
October 11, 1953	Pastor Nuechterlein ordination into the Holy Ministry for Christ
October 2, 2012	Schlicker Pipe Organ rededication; guest organist Andrew Schaeffer



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RUN OUR VIDEO EQUIPMENT...

We have been enjoying the new audio/video equipment for over a year now. Special care was utilized during the purchase process that the equipment be easy to use for volunteers, including those with no prior background in sound or video equipment. Do you take videos with your phone? Are you interested in learning more about audio/video and streaming technology?



Offer your time and increase your video talent and assist with running the new equipment for an 8 AM church service. You will be helping Pastor Rowold and our Service to go live on YouTube. Contact Tim Weiland or Bill Juul for details.



We will train volunteer staff on all of the equipment and help troubleshoot any problems that may arise as people master the system. Your efforts will give you new skills you can carry into other areas of their lives if you so choose.

CLC STRENGTHENING OUR DIGITAL PRESENCE ON FACEBOOK...

In today's fast-paced digital age, it's crucial for our Church to remain connected and engaged with our congregation and the broader community. As part of our ongoing efforts to adapt and thrive in this digital landscape, we are committed to improving our digital footprint on Facebook.

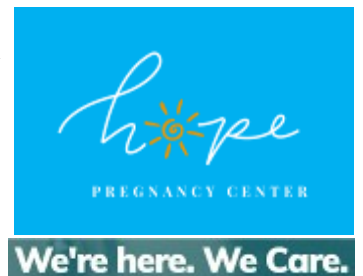
Improving our digital footprint on Facebook is a step forward in our mission to share God's love and connect with our congregation and the wider community. It's an opportunity to reach more people, build stronger bonds of fellowship, and inspire positivity in an increasingly digital world. We look forward to this journey of growth and connection, and we invite you to join us on Facebook as we continue to spread the message of faith, hope, and love. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in the digital realm and beyond.



WE SUPPORT HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER...

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

We donate baby 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.



Hope Pregnancy Center
 110 Main St.
 Cheshire, CT 06410
 203.271.2703
hopepregnancycenterct.org



CLC HELPING HANDS...

The Helping Hands volunteers continue to offer meals, transportation and visits to those in our congregation who are in need of any of these services!

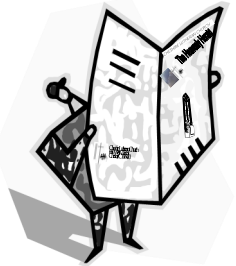
Please contact the church office if you would benefit from this assistance.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have responded to my request to assist .

Sometime over the summer, please update your contact information with the preferred phone number (many still have the landline listed although it has been disconnected).

For those who haven't yet volunteered but would like to be "on the list", please provide your contact information as well as the service you would like to offer (food, drive, visit). You may reach me at Thank you and have a nice summer!

Sally Schrumm, chairman



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!!

(November 2024 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (souliebeth@sbcglobal.net) by Friday, **October 25th**, 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!



God's Voice

- Stills you
- Leads you
- Reassures you
- Enlightens you
- Encourages you
- Comforts you
- Calms you
- Convicts you

Satan's Voice

- Rushes you
- Pushes you
- Frightens you
- Confuses you
- Discourages you
- Worries you
- Obsesses you
- Condemns you

Bible Studies at CLC

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES...

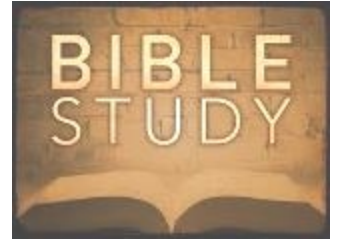
Come and join us as we dig deeper into God's Word together in Bible Study.

Our Sunday morning Bible Study between the services starts at approximately 9:10 a.m. every Sunday. For the Fall, we are looking at the same Bible lessons as the Sunday School, but we are using the series "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School" from *Lutheran Hour Ministries* to facilitate our lessons. These materials will give us a slightly different take on the lessons than you may have gotten when you were a kid.

In addition to Sunday morning Bible, our Wednesday afternoon study of the book of Acts (also known as *The Acts of the Apostles*), continues on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. We are currently working though Lesson 7, titled "The Mature Church in Labor and Hardships...", which looks at chapters 13 through 15 of Acts.

We are meeting in the Church Library on Sundays and on Wednesdays. If you cannot be with us in person, watch for emails each week to participate by Zoom.

Everyone is welcome to join us any time, even if it's your first time, and even if it will be the only time. I look forward to seeing you.



DO YOU KNOW THE DATE OF YOUR BAPTISM?...

Well, do you? Do you know the date that you were Baptized? If you do, we'd like to know it in the Church office too. We already keep track of birthdays and wedding anniversaries, including them in the monthly newsletters and the Sunday morning prayers. We are now going to add "Baptismal Birthdays" to that list too. Please contact the Church office to share the date of their Baptism. As we get more information we will add it to the list of those special days included in the *Heavenly Herald*.



WE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR BAPTISM:

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ✝ October 3—David Rowold | ✝ October 17—Alan Spose |
| ✝ October 6—David Mason | ✝ October 21—Louis Nuechterlein |
| ✝ October 6—Jonathan Mason | ✝ October 22—Emma Kingsley |
| ✝ October 9—Ian Clark | ✝ October 23—Bennett Tuscano |
| ✝ October 10—Lisette Donewald | ✝ October 24—Lucy Bencivenga |
| ✝ October 10—Wesley Tuscano | ✝ October 24—Timothy Daly |
| ✝ October 11—Roberta Hagstrom | ✝ October 24—Derek Henderson |
| ✝ October 11—Sia Kwayu | |



Contact the church office to add your "Baptismal Birthday" to the list.



- 1st Kelly Lenz
- 3rd Mary Beth Blair
Grace Wilde
- 6th Frank Vasi
- 7th Matthew Plantier
- 8th Kelley Collins-Pardee
- 10th Louis Nuechterlein
Abigail Lynch
John Balash, Jr.
- 11th Grace Muller
- 12th Jonah Tyler
- 13th David Zeppieri
- 15th Timothy Fiedler
Sarah Rowold
- 16th Brandon Feero
- 17th Matthew Blair
- 18th Benjamin DeLaubell
- 19th Mario Bencivenga
- 21st Karen Bailey
Marilyn Miller
- 24th Avery Clark
Edward Schweizer
Rachel Henderson
- 25th Holly Flugrath
- 26th Donald DePaolo
- 28th Lisa Finger



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 2024

- 1st Craig & Rachel Henderson 19 Years
- 4th Ken & Lisa Finger 21 Years
- 6th Jon & Eva Schrumm 40 Years
Frank & Martha Medford 45 Years
- 7th David & Regina Lynch 17 Years
- 10th Bill & Beth Soulier 37 Years
- 12th Bill & Judy Juul 61 Years
- 13th John & Diane Taylor 34 Years
- 14th Alfred & Helen Mayer 57 Years
- 18th Don & Arta Dobbs 44 Years
- 20th Michael & Carolyn Carrington 23 Years
- 23rd Alan & Donna Spose 42 Years
- 28th Scott & April Slauson 29 Years



COUNCIL & VOTERS MEETING REMINDER...



Council will meet Tuesday, **October 22nd** at 7:00 pm in the Church Library

Voters will meet Sunday **November 10, 2024** after the 10:30 service.



Cheshire Lutheran Church
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