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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Christ the Servant Friends,

Many of you may have already heard that I have been diagnosed with breast cancer. By the time you read this newsletter, I will have had surgery. After meeting with the oncologist in Minocqua in early September, I will know more of what my next step is in my treatment plan.

I want you to know that I will do my very best to continue to work as your spiritual leader including education classes, office hours and Sunday worship through this difficult time. Please, as always, feel free to call me with any concerns you might have.

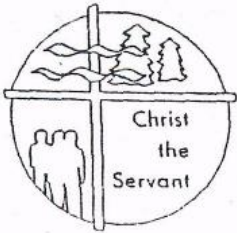
For a lifetime I have been a care giver including helping my mother deal with her breast cancer and Rodney with his heart and stroke issues. God has called me to care for you and those in our community and I plan to continue to do that moving forward. With that being said, I also realize that I am not good at being a care receiver. So, if you see me with "leaky eyes" as I call them, I apologize. It is nothing you have said or have done, just me being human. However, I would welcome your prayers.

This is a very difficult time for me and with God's help I will be back to "normal" whatever that means, very soon!

God's Blessings to You All,
Pastor Gwen



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Look What's Happening



Office Hours for Pastor - September 2021

September 1st	2:00-5:30 pm
September 6th	No Office Hours
September 8th	2:00-5:30 pm
September 13th	1:00-4:00 pm
September 15th	2:00-5:30 pm
September 20th	1:00-4:00 pm
September 22nd	2:00-5:30 pm
September 27th	No Office Hours
September 29th	No Office Hours

Choir Practice—Monday

September 13th	5:15-6:30 pm
September 20th	5:15-6:30 pm
September 27th	5:15-6:30 pm

Women's Quilting Group—Monday

September 6th	No Quilting
September 13th	10:30 am
September 20th	10:30 am
September 27th	10:30 am

Men's Group—Thursday

September 9th	5:00 pm-6:00 pm
September 16th	5:00 pm-6:00 pm
September 23rd	5:00 pm-6:00 pm
September 30th	5:00 pm-6:00 pm

Confirmation—Wednesday

September 8th	4:00 pm-5:00 pm
September 15th	4:00 pm-5:00 pm
September 22nd	4:00 pm-5:00 pm
September 29th	4:00 pm-5:00 pm

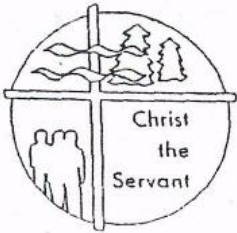
Sunday Monday School

September 13th	4:15 pm –5:15 pm
September 27th	4:15 pm –5:15 pm

Bible Study—Sunday Morning

September 12th	11:00 am –12:00 am
September 26th	11:00 am –12:00 am

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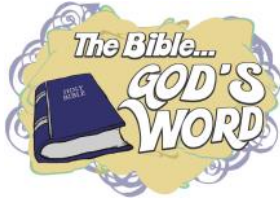
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September Bible Readings

September 5th — 15th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146

Second Lesson James 2:1-10, 14-17

Gospel Lesson Mark 7:24-37

September 12th — 16th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 116:1-9

Second Lesson James 3 :1-12

Gospel Lesson Mark 8:27-38

September 19th — 17th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalm 54

Second Lesson James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

Gospel Lesson Mark 9:30-37

September 26th — 18th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-2

Psalm 19:7-14

Second Lesson James 5 :13-20

Gospel Lesson Mark 9:38-50

Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed... James 5:16.

Please remember these people and requests in your prayers.

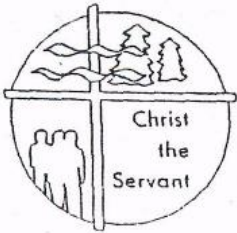
Health/ Concerns: Tom, Sheila, Joen, Megan, Jean, Jill, Pete, Cyndi, Darlene, Pastor Gwen, Joyce, and Dina.

Military - Anton, Allesa Marrie and Natalie.

CTS Church Council, Men's Group, WELCA, Quilting Ministry, Adult Bible Studies, CTS Youth, AIDS orphans in Malawi, Hunger and poverty in the world, and those struggling with the Coronavirus.



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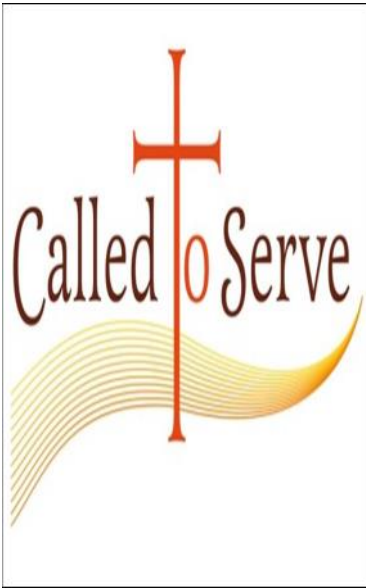
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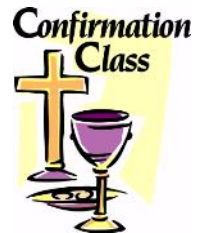
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September 16, Thursday at 6:00 Pastor Gwen will be holding a training class for all who are interested in working as an altar guild volunteer. The training will be very informative as you will find out why preparation of the altar is so important to our corporate worship at Christ the Servant. If you cannot make this time and are interested in serving on Altar Guild, please see Pastor Gwen. You can sign up on the sheet near the office if you plan to attend.

September 20th, Monday at 6:30 pm Pastor Gwen will be holding a training class for all who are interested in becoming an assisting minister. Class will last about one hour and let you know why we do what we do as we worship our God at Christ the Servant. If you have questions please see pastor. Those that serve in this capacity are very important to our worship experience. Please sign up on the sheet near the office if you plan to attend.

This year confirmation class will begin on Wednesday September 8th at 4:00. The students, Zoey Eimermann and Harrison Graceffa will be studying Lutheran history this first semester and doing their memory work. So please keep these young people in your prayers as they learn the tenants of our Lutheran faith

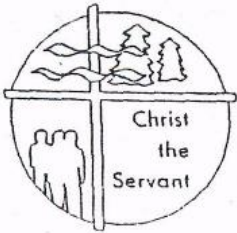


Sunday, Monday school will begin on Monday September 13th at 4:15. Mya Brown will join Lauren BeBeau in class this year. They will be meeting every other week from 4:15 to 5:15. Crafts and of course a snack will help these young girls learn about Christianity. We will be testing a new curriculum from Augsburg Fortress for the church. Margaret McCulloch will again be helping pastor with this class.



Terry Tarras will again be leading the Men's Group on Thursday evenings beginning on Sept 9th at 5:00 p.m. He has some special things planned for this fall so I hope that all the men of the congregation will come and join in.

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We are looking for pictures of functions at Christ the Servant. Barb Lofthus has been putting together our history and has found that we have very few pictures from the last ten years. If you would like to share things like: picnic, VBS, Sunday School, funerals, groups of our people working events outside of our building, USPS food drive, parade floats, Lego day, etc. Please email them to our church ctslutheranpf@gmail.com. Older pictures will also be accepted in printed form.



A few good musicians. We are looking for a few young musicians to share their talents with us during worship this fall. I hope you and/or your child would consider singing or playing some sacred special music during worship. Please see Pastor Gwen.

Blessings of the Quits and Kits will be held on September 12th. Please join us as we bless these quilts and kits before they are sent off to Lutheran World Relief for distribution around the world. Your donations for shipping these items would be appreciated. You can give your donations to Liz Carpenter or Barb Schindhelm or bring them that day.

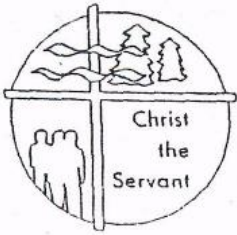
Farmer's Market every Wednesday until sometime in October. The hours are 2:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Bible Study will begin on September 12th. We will be doing a DVD series by Max Lucado called Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World. It will be a five week study. The class will meet on September 12th, September 26th, October 3rd, October 10th, and October 24th. If you want to purchase a book, they are easily found on Amazon.com.

Choir starts Monday September 13th. Anyone interested is welcome to come. We are starting slowly with easy music and lots of practice. We will be meeting from 5:15 pm –6:30 pm. Please come help us make a joyful noise unto the Lord.



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Worship Volunteer Schedule September —October 2021

Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Greeter/Usher
September 5th				
September 12th	Mary Rusch		Deb Hyde	Paul & Nancy Miller
September 19th	Liz Carpenter			
September 26th			Mary Rusch & David Shaw	Mary Rusch & David Shaw
October 3rd				
October 10th			Deb Hyde	Mary Rusch & David Shaw
October 17th	Mary Rusch			
October 24th				
October 31st			Mary Rusch & David Shaw	Mary Rusch & David Shaw



Thank you for your service!

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