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## Update on CTS 2024 Projects:

*New Boiler System/Hot Water Heater* – In April a new boiler and hot water heater was installed. Special thanks to Herb Siefert and Dave Schmidt for reviewing the six different vendor bids and providing a recommendation for Pastor and me that was then passed along to the church council for approval. Herb was also on location while the vendor installed the new boiler and hot water heater.

*Rubber Pellets in the Swing Set Area* - Thanks to Dave McGrath for helping me spread out a pallet of rubber pellets in the swing set area on the east end of the parking lot. Project completed May 11.

*Landscape Committee* –Thanks to Beth Melvold, Carol Matson, Jann Clark and Sarah Wolff who got together at the suggestion of Pastor Gwen to make some recommendations for landscaping around the south and west ends of the church building. Much of the landscaping was overgrown, weed infested and no longer conducive for maintenance by our church congregation. The plan is to: 1) remove all existing bushes, plants and gravel around the south and west ends of the building; 2) plant new bushes in a much smaller area on each side of the sidewalk entering the building; 3) plant grass in the remaining areas to match the north and east sides of the building.

On May 15, Scott Carpenter, Dave McGrath and I spent the better part of a working day tearing out the old landscaping and removing the gravel around the building. Dave Schmidt provided assistance during the critical part of the early morning plant tear out. Thanks to Scott for use of his tractor and his trailer for hauling away materials. Also thanks to Dave and Dave for assisting in the project. The landscape vendor should complete the project in the next couple of months.

*Fellowship Hall Flooring and Painting* – The Fellowship Hall flooring is 35 years old. The Plan is to replace the flooring and paint Fellowship Hall including the two rooms used for storage and meetings. Beth Melvold sent out a church wide survey on flooring options back in March. Thanks to Beth for organizing and gathering of information to date. Carol, Jann and Sarah (along with Beth) have also been involved in this project. We are currently narrowing down the option choices for flooring and looking for a vendor to paint the room.

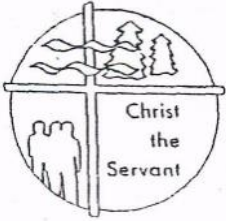
*Electrical Work and Improved Lighting* – The plan is to replace some of the existing electrical ballasts with LED lighting in Fellowship Hall, the hallway and offices. We believe this will provide better lighting and reduce electrical costs. Also, RB Melvold is doing some background work on how to make lighting improvements inside the sanctuary. Thank you RB for taking the lead on this item. More to come...

*New Office Computer* – At the May meeting, the Church Council authorized the replacement of the office computer which is outdated and painstakingly slow when working and installing updates. Thanks to Paul Miller for his expertise in recommending a new computer and also his willingness to take the lead and transfer over the data.

*Exterior Painting* – The exterior of the church building is in need of painting. During our landscape demolition we noticed some siding and trim boards need attention before we embark on a painting of the entire building. We will need to pause on this item to first address the siding and trim boards.

God's Peace,  
Kurt Wolff  
CTS Congregational President

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Monday 1-4 PM

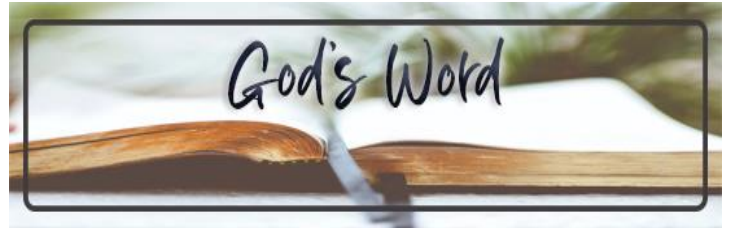
Wednesday 2-5:30 PM



Woman's Group meets every Tuesday  
from 10AM -2PM.



Men's Group will meet  
Saturday, June 8th at 8AM.



## June Bible Readings

### June 2, 2024 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson	Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Psalm 81:1-10	
Second Lesson	2 Corinthians 4:5-12
Gospel Reading	Mark 2:23-3:6

### June 9, 2024 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson	Genesis 3:8-15
Psalm 130	
Second Lesson	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Gospel Reading	Mark 3:20-35

### June 16, 2024 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

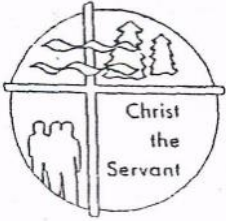
First Lesson	Ezekiel 17:22-24
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15	
Second Lesson	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17
Gospel Reading	Mark 4:26-34

### June 23, 2024 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson	Job 38:1-11
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32	
Second Lesson	2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Gospel Reading	Mark 4:35-41

### June 30, 2024 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson	Lamentations 3:22-33
Psalm 30	
Second Lesson	2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Gospel Reading	Mark 5:21-43



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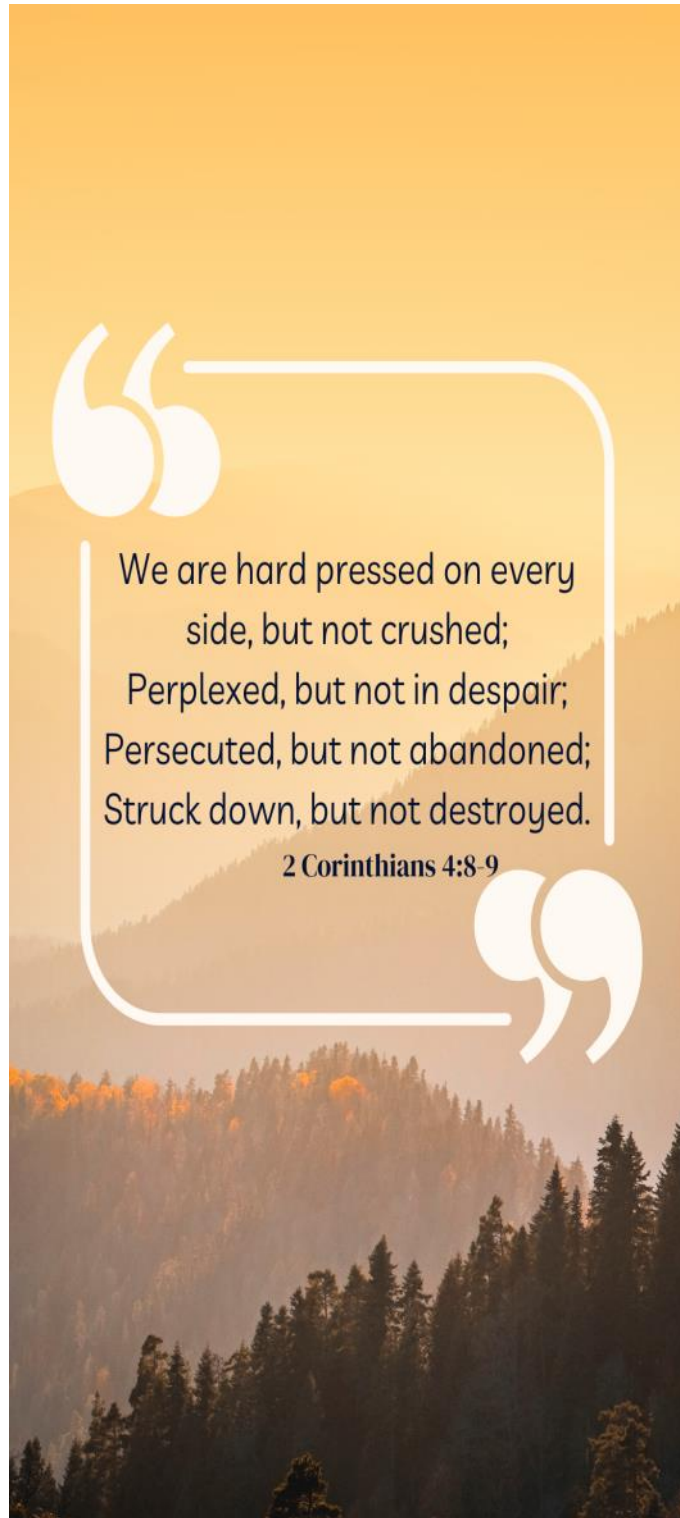


**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PEOPLE AND REQUESTS IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

**Health/Concerns:** Olivia, Stephanie, Carrie, Meg, Andrea, Bob, Betty, Tom, Nancy, Carol, Lori, Patty, Mary Jo, Debra, Leigh, Nancy, Gerry, Lyla, Shirley, Carl and Richard

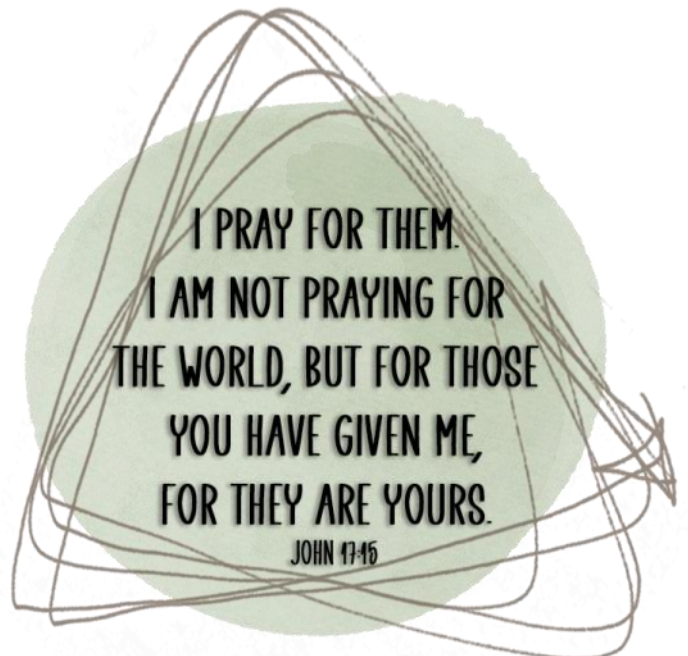
**Military :** Anton, Autumn, and Natalie.

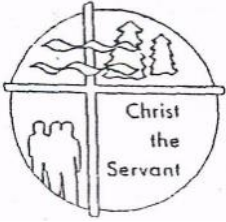
**Groups:** CTS Church Council, Quilting Ministry, Adult Bible Studies, CTS Youth, those who are struggling with hunger and injustice in the world and the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Ministry.



We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed;  
Perplexed, but not in despair;  
Persecuted, but not abandoned;  
Struck down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9





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## *My Father, the Wise Oak*

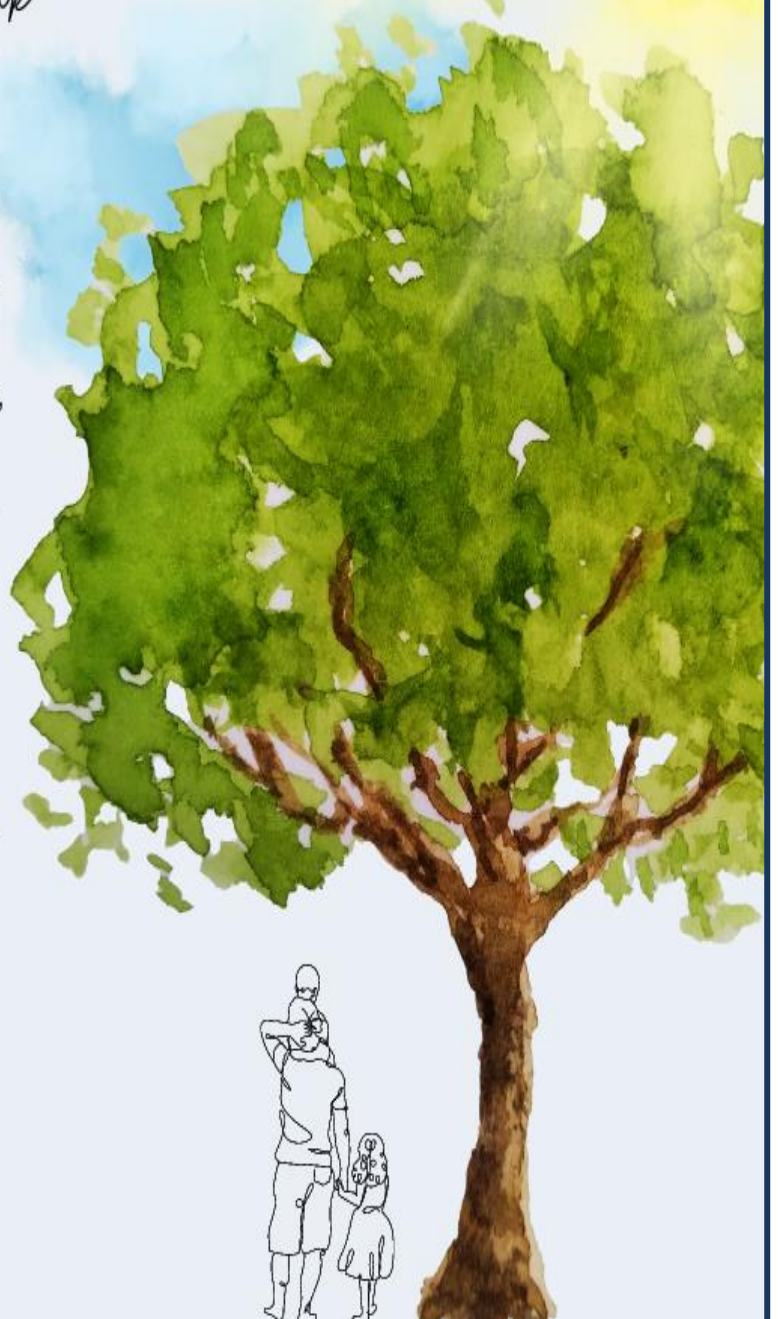
Rooted deeply in wisdom's soil,  
A steadfast oak, through love and toil,  
My father stands, a towering sight,  
A symbol of strength and guiding light.

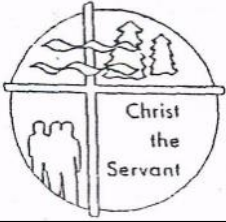
His branches reaching towards the sky,  
Teaching me to dream and to fly,  
His leaves, a shelter from life's storm,  
A refuge where I can transform.

This Father's Day, I honor you,  
For the wisdom and love that's grown  
and bloomed,  
The oak that's taught me to be strong,  
To face the world, and journey on.

My father, the wise oak, I celebrate,  
For the life and love you cultivate,  
In my heart, you'll always be,  
The Oak that has inspired me.

-Unknown





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**Bible Study:** We will be working on a study of the Holy Spirit for the summer. No homework. Come and join the Spirit.

**Men's Group:** Men's group will be meeting over coffee and pastry on June 8th at 8:00 AM. The topic of study will be *What's So Amazing About Grace?* By Philip Yancy. All men are welcome to and encouraged to come!

**Annual Synod Assembly:** Please keep Kurt and Sarah Wolff and Pastor Gwen in your prayers while they attend the Annual Synod Assembly on June 7th and 8th. The Northwest Synod of Wisconsin will be electing the new bishop. Pray that they will all have a vision on who should lead us for the next 6 years.

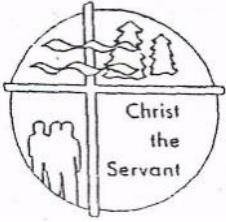
**Sleep In Heavenly Peace:** This ministry in Park Falls continues to need donations of pillows, beds in a bag, quilts, and sheet sets. They are all twin size beds for youth, age 4 through 17, in our community with no bed of their own. To volunteer in the ministry or to donate money, see the Melvolds. Bedding can be dropped off any time in the church office.

**The Lord's Cupboard:** The pantry could use more volunteers to work once a month on a Saturday morning from 8:30 - 11:00 AM. You must be able to lift 35 pounds and work on your weekend! See Pastor Gwen if you are interested.

**Farmer's Market:** The market is back in our parking lot Wednesdays from 2:00 pm -5:30 pm until October.



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## Volunteer Schedule May, June & July 2024

Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Ushers
June 2nd	Beth Melvold		Herb & Joan Seifert	Herb & Joan Seifert
June 9th	Mary Rusch		RB & Beth Melvold	Paul & Nancy Miller
June 16th			Paul & Nancy Miller	Paul & Nancy Miller
June 23rd			Mary Rusch	
June 30th	Liz Carpenter		Pastor Gwen	
July 7th				
July 14th				
July 21st				
July 28th				
August 4th				
August 11th				
August 18th				
August 25th				

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