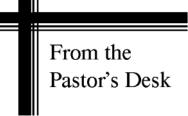


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Dear Fellow Members of the Body of Christ,

Hard to believe that August is already here. Where did the summer go? Many days in July we felt the warmth of the dog days of summer. But now summer is winding down and soon my favorite season, Fall will be knocking at our door.

As we continue the Revised Common Lectionary for year B, we find August is pretty well described as bread, bread, bread, bread, bread. Our text for the first week of the month has Jesus claiming that He is the bread of life. Jesus is the bread from heaven that will give life to the world. This will be a fun text to preach at Flambeau Rama. So I hope that you will join us on August 1<sup>st</sup> under the big tent at 10:00 a.m. to hear how believing in Jesus gives us blessings beyond our wildest imaginings.

The Sundays in August continue in John's Gospel and expands upon what it means to have our Savior be our living bread that came down from heaven. Eating this bread, we will live forever. But this is often a hard concept for mere mortals to comprehend. The body and blood of Jesus save us from ourselves if we only with faith take it in.

Our month ends with the Gospel readings going back to Mark and the Pharisees being called out for keeping their traditions rather than living by the commandments of God. So there will be plenty for us to contemplate; our eating and drinking in the year 2021. Come and join us for a great month of worship and fellowship. I hope to see you soon!

Blessings,

Pastor Gwen





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#### WELCA News – August 2021

Happy summertime! I trust you are enjoying the sunshine and warmer days and taking the opportunity to purchase some of the delicious produce from our local growers at the Wednesday Farmers' Market.



Quilting has moved back to Mondays (10:30-approximately 2:30), and our latest count of quilts is around 65. We are so grateful for all who come to sew and iron and put together the quilts for people in need around the world through Lutheran World Relief.

We are working on Baby Layettes and School Kits to send along with the quilts in September. LWR is very specific about the contents of the kits and it's a little

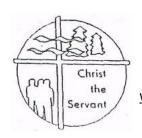
more difficult to find all those supplies in town. Therefore this year we are requesting monetary donations in lieu of the kit items. You can help by donating cash or a check made out to WELCA, and we will use your contributions to purchase the items that are needed. You can give those to Barb Schindhelm or Liz Carpenter. Thank you!

Holiday Market is set for November 13<sup>th.</sup> It's exciting to think that we can resume one more normal activity after the pandemic year. Please let us know what crafts you might like to contribute to this fun community event, and stay tuned for Sunday morning announcements or the bulletin for more ways you can join in the preparations as the time gets closer.

Thank you again for your contributions to the WELCA ministry. The recipients of the quilts and kits are people who live in difficult situations or may have experienced a natural disaster or trauma of some sort. Please join us in remembering them in prayer.

Blessings to all, Liz C





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#### **August Bible Readings**

#### August 1, 2021—10th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78:23-29 Second Lesson Ephesians 4:1-16

Gospel Lesson Mark 6:24-35

#### August 8,2021—11th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson 1 Kings 19:4-8
Psalm 34:1-8 Read responsively
Second Lesson Ephesians 4:25—5:2
Gospel Lesson John 6:35, 41-51

#### August 15th, 2021-12th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Proverbs 9:1-6 Psalm 34:9-14

Second Lesson Ephesians 5:14-20 Gospel Lesson John 6:51-58

#### August 22nd- 13th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Psalm 34:15-22

Second Lesson Ephesians 6:10-20 Gospel Lesson John 6:56-69

#### August 29th—14th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Psalm 15

Second Lesson James 1:17-27 Gospel Lesson Mark 1:17-27



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.

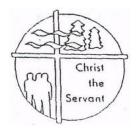
**Health/ Concerns**: Om, Sheila, Joen, Megan, Jean, Butch, Jill, and Rodney.

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

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 <a href="mailto:ctsluther-anpf@gmail.com">ctsluther-anpf@gmail.com</a>. Older pictures will also be accepted in printed form.

Mark your Calendars for August 1<sup>st</sup> Flambeau Rama Worship. We will be once again taking part in Flambeau Rama this year by providing worship for the community. It is an ecumenical service with wonderful music from Tammy and Jason Hastings. Christ the Servant will be leading worship including providing

Holy Communion. There will be no worship at CTS that morning, so please plan to join us under the big tent at Flambeau Rama!

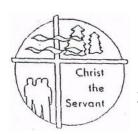
Church picnic following worship on August 29<sup>th</sup>. See the sign-up sheet on the board by the office. Our church council will be grilling out burgers, brats and hot dogs. So plan on bringing a dish to pass that will compliment that picnic faire. We will be having a few games for the young at heart. Hope to see you there.



Sunday Aug 29<sup>th</sup> we will be Blessing of the Backpacks. So make sure to bring your book bags with you to worship that morning. Teachers you are invited to come for a special blessing as well.



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.



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New Opportunity—Sunday August 15th from 10:30-11:00 please join us in the sanctuary to have a conversation about starting a singing group. No experience is necessary! Just come and bring your ideas, voice, and opinions about getting a choir together for the Holidays

See Pastor Gwen for more details!

We are looking for a new leader for the men's group. Pastor Gwen will be giving a survey to men interested in participation as to how the group will proceed in the fall. See her if you have any suggestions, questions or would like to volunteer to help keep this important ministry going at Christ the Servant.



#### Office Hours for Pastor - August 2021

August 2nd	1:00-4:00 pm
August 4th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 9th	1:00-4:00 pm
August 11th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 16th	1:00-4:00 pm
August 18th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 23rd	1:00-4:00 pm
August 25th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 30th	1:00-4:00 pm

### Women's Quilting Group—Monday

August 2nd	10:30 am
August 9th	10:30 am
August 16th	10:30 am
August 23rd	10:30 am
August 30th	10:30 am



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### Worship Volunteer Schedule August —September 2021

Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Greeter/Usher
August 1st	Flambeau	Rama		
August 8th	Mary Rusch			
August 15th				
August 22nd	Barb Schindhelm		Chuck & Barb Schindhelm	
August 29th				Mary Rusch & David Shaw
September 5th				
September 12th	Mary Rusch			
September 19th				
September 26th			Mary Rusch & David Shaw	Mary Rusch & David Shaw





