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Dear Friends in Christ,

I cannot believe that we are in the last month of summer already. School supplies are out in the stores and the farmer's market is boasting of corn on the cob. How time flies!

In our lectionary text this month we continue to listen to the last teachings of Jesus as he draws nearer and nearer to the cross. Walking with humility and showing hospitality to those in need are constant themes of our readings for August. And with that understanding our church council is asking you to bring food items to church during the month to be donated to the Lord's Cupboard.

In September, we will be working at the food pantry on Saturday the 10th. This will be our outreach in answer to the ELCA's "God's Work Our Hands" program this year. I would encourage all to sign up for a time slot to work that day. What a great opportunity to help our neighbors. I have suggested that all confirmation students be present to give them a glimpse of how we care for those less fortunate than ourselves. Volunteerism is a great lesson for our youth to learn. And who better to learn it from than our congregation's saints.

On the last Sunday of August, we will be blessing backpacks as our youth and our teachers return to school. I hope you will come to worship that day to help celebrate the return to school as well as the start of a new year of Sunday Monday school and Confirmation.

We will also be having our church picnic on August 28th. Please sign up on the sheets posted next to the office. I hope to see you there.

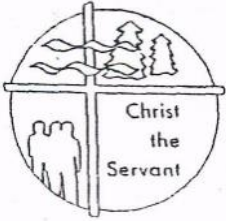
Peace,

Pastor Gwen



For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1

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August Bible Readings

August 7, 2022—9th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Genesis 15:1-6
Psalm 33:12-22
Second Lesson Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Gospel Lesson Luke 12:32-40

August 14, 2022—10th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Jeremiah 23:23-29
Psalm 82
Second Lesson Hebrews 11:29—12:2
Gospel Lesson Luke 12:49-56

August 21, 2022—11th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 103:1-8
Second Lesson Hebrews 12:18-29
Gospel Lesson Luke 13:10-17

August 28, 2022—12th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Proverbs 25:6-7
Psalm 112
Second Lesson Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Gospel Lesson Luke 14:1, 7-14



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

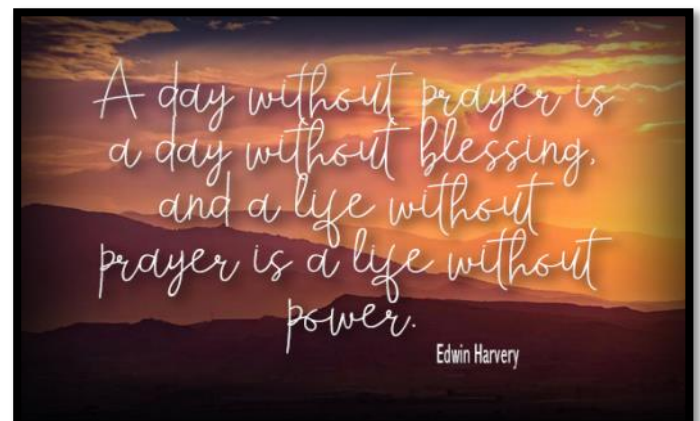
James 5:16.

Please remember these people and requests in your prayers.

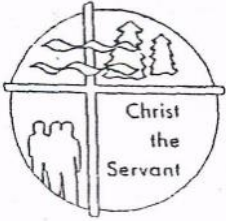
Health/Concerns: Sheila, Cyndi, Ann, Allen, Angie, and David

Military: Anton, Allesia Marrie, Ryan, Josh, Autumn, and Natalie.

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



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Pastor's Office Hours

August 1st	1:00-4:00 pm
August 3rd	2:00-5:30 pm
August 8th	1:00-4:00 pm
August 10th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 15th	No Office Hours
August 17th	No Office Hours
August 22nd	1:00-4:00 pm
August 24th	2:00-5:30 pm
August 29th	1:00-4:00 pm
August 31st	2:00-5:30 pm

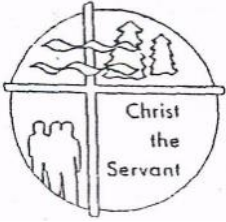
Women's Group—Tuesday

August 2nd	10:00 am-2:00 pm
August 9th	10:00 am-2:00 pm
August 16th	10:00 am-2:00 pm
August 23rd	10:00 am-2:00 pm
August 30th	10:00 am -2:00 pm



It takes strength to love your enemies.
 It takes strength to reach out to those
 who aren't like you.
 It takes strength to forgive those who
 have wronged you.

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Bible Study—Bible study on abortion will conclude on August 7th. We will go back to our Roman's study starting after Labor Day.

Opportunities—Please sign up on the Opportunities sheet hung near the office. We need assisting ministers, ushers, coffee hour people and altar guild each week. If you have not been and would like to be trained for any or all of these service opportunities, please see Pastor Gwen. We need your help to make our worship experience on Sunday mornings meaningful.

Farmer's Market—Farmer's market is in our parking lot on Wednesdays from 2-5:30.

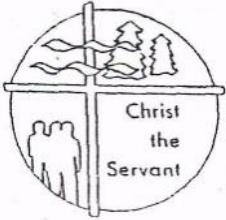
Reminder—Don't forget Rodney's birthday party on Saturday Aug 13th at the Lanes in Park Falls. If you did not sign up for dinner, please see Pastor Gwen as soon as possible.

Church Picnic—Our church picnic is on August 28th after worship. Please come and join in the pot-luck meal. Sign-up sheet is on the board next to the office.

VBS—Please pray for our youth and the leaders of our one day VBS on August 2nd. Fred and Carol Matson are hosting with R.B. and Beth Melvold as chaperones. We are planning fun activities for the youth. Wyatt Graceffa will also be leading a few Bible lessons on the Good Samaritan parable and how to be a good neighbor. Your prayers for a safe and fun day are appreciated.



The Lord's Cupboard—In the month of August, The Lord's Cupboard will be collecting food items for the pantry. Non perishable food items are appreciated. Canned meat, fruit, peanut butter, and cereal are always needed. Drop donations off in the box in the Narthex. We will be taking the food to The Lord's Cupboard on September 10th when members of CTS work that Saturday. You may sign up to work that day on the Volunteer Board next to the office.



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Legend of the Sand Dollar

THERE'S A PRETTY LITTLE LEGEND THAT I WOULD LIKE TO TELL
OF THE BIRTH AND DEATH OF JESUS, FOUND IN THIS LOWLY SHELL.

IF YOU EXAMINE CLOSELY, YOU'LL SEE THAT YOU FIND HERE,
FOUR NAIL HOLES AND A FIFTH ONE MADE BY A ROMAN'S SPEAR.

ON ONE SIDE THE EASTER LILY, ITS CENTER IS THE STAR,
THAT APPEARED UNTO THE WISEMEN AND LED THEM FROM AFAR.

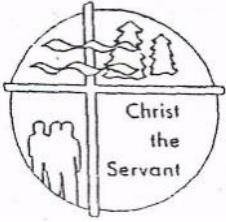
THE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ETCHED ON THE OTHER SIDE,
REMINDS US OF HIS BIRTHDAY, OUR HAPPY CHRISTMASTIDE.

NOW BREAK THE CENTER OPEN AND HERE YOU WILL RELEASE,
THE FIVE WHITE DOVES AWAITING TO SPREAD GOOD WILL AND
PEACE.

THIS SIMPLE LITTLE SYMBOL, CHRIST LEFT FOR YOU AND ME
TO HELP US SPREAD HIS GOSPEL THROUGH ALL ETERNITY.



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Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Ushers
August 7th	Mary Rusch		Paul & Nancy Miller	Paul & Nancy Miller
August 14th	Jann Clark		Linda Smith	
August 21st	Beth Melvold		RB & Beth Melvold	David Shaw & Mary Rusch
August 28th			CHURCH PICNIC	
September 4th				
September 11th				
September 18th				
September 25th				

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