

# THE MESSENGER

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

JULY 2022



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*“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.” (1 Corinthians 3:6-9)*

Grace and peace to you my sisters and brothers in Christ, I hope you are enjoying your summer so far. It is a growing or planting season! It is wonderful to see the lush vegetation around us; the trees, the shrubs, plants and flowers. For those of us who live in Kentucky, it is considered safe to plant any time Derby. So by now perhaps the plants that you planted have grown and even started to bear some fruits, though we didn't plant anything in our gardens this year because we were busy with our daughter's graduation and children's activities.

We know however, that the seeds that we sow do not grow mature overnight. It takes time for them to germinate, grow and bear fruit. The plants also need some tender-loving-care by watering, fertilizing and weeding them. Beyond that, it is up to the nature to do its part and of course God; hoping for a good harvest. *continued on page 2*

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Lead Pastor - Rev. Bimen Limbong

Director of Music - Ann Colbert Wade

So it is with the church. We are now in the season after Pentecost or the season after Holy Trinity. This is a season of growing for the church as well. If you notice that the color of all the paraments in our sanctuary are changed to green that signifies ‘planting and growing’. For that reason also all Sundays after Pentecost are called as ‘Green Sundays’. You may notice also that all the readings during this season focus on the life and ministry of Jesus while he was in the world; with his teaching, preaching, serving and healing as models for the church to follow. This is also the longest season of the church beginning on the day after Pentecost to the Saturday before the first Sunday in Advent signifying that it needs time for the seeds that we sow in ministry to grow and bear fruits in due time.

As for our church, summer time, especially this summer is a little bit slow, less activities and participants. People are spending their summer time with their family or go on vacation, especially after being in lockdown for over two years. Yet, as church we do not stop doing ministry. We continue to do ministry that God is calling us to do; to share the good news of the gospel in words and deeds. We provide meaningful worship every Sunday both in person and online, we host the I-K synod Youth Mission trip in our church, we support our kids to go to camp to learn about God and how to live with people of faith, we host a joint Vacation Bible schools with all the churches in South Central conference here in our church and provide monthly service at Forrest Hills Common just to name a few. Unlike the church in Corinth who argued whose work is greater than the other; whether Paul or Apollos. We all take part in this whether as sowers, waterers or other loving-tender-care acts, but the end it is the Lord who will make them grow and bear fruit in due time. Also to remind ourselves that what you do matters no matter how big or small. So in this planting and growing season, let’s us not cease to scatter the seed and plant. As Martin Luther says, *“If I knew that tomorrow was the end of the world, I would plant an apple tree today”*.

Serving Christ with you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Limbong', with a horizontal line underneath.

Pr. Bimen Limbong

## FINANCE

### General Fund Giving through May 2022

Expected	\$177,825.00
Actual	\$196,838.00

[Online  
Giving](#)

Thanks for all of your gifts. These totals continue to reflect annual contributions received early in the year. By the time this is published June giving will have ended. Please watch for your mid year giving statement which you will receive in the last half of July.



SCAN ME

Thanks to June counters Mike & Kathy Kull.

Memorials were given in June in memory of Carolyn Phillips & Doris Henry.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

We have sent out surveys (adults & youth) to the congregation about the different ministries our committee offers to our congregation. Please prayerfully consider your responses and submit as soon as possible so we may review and plan accordingly to continue to make Christ Known and serve the needs of our congregation.

The count down is on for VBS, and we can't wait to see you there next month!

Finally, if your youth is participating in church camp this summer, please let the office know so we can arrange scholarship funds.

We wish you all a safe, cool & fabulous summer.

*Liz Dawson*

Christian Education Committee Chair

## MEMBER UPDATE



Alita and Tony White have moved into their new home. Their new address is 1918 Dressage Circle, Louisville, KY 40245. They do not have a home phone number, so if you need to get in touch with them please contact them through their cell phone numbers. Don't have their numbers? Simply contact the church office for assistance.

Christ Lutheran's WELCA group will not be meeting for the remainder of the summer. Meetings will resume the second Tuesday in September, 9/13, at noon in Rooms in 1 & 2.

All women of Christ Lutheran are invited to try this group. There is Bible study and lunch. Individuals are asked to bring their own lunch. Jean Eisen also provides an online option for this meeting if there are folks who want to attend, but wish to do so from home.

Any questions about this group can be directed to the church office, 502-267-5082 or Bonnie Kroening, 502-554-4592.

### URGENT NEED - VOLUNTEERS

Christ Lutheran is a vibrant, active church. One of the main reasons for this is our dedicated volunteers. We are so blessed to have so many individuals who freely give of their time and talents day after day.

Thank you to all our volunteers who help with worship; ushers, lectors, communion assistants, crucifers and those who set up & clean the altar and paraments; to those who run our live streaming operation so we can share our worship with those still at home, to those who help keep our property and facility beautiful, to our upcoming VBS volunteers, to our die hard lawn mowers at 9212 Taylorsville Road and our cemetery in J'town, to our small ministry volunteers participating in events to help people in our community, and so many more.

But we are in urgent need of more help. Our volunteers are our life line, we need you so we can continue to *Make Christ Known* within our church walls and outside in our community. **Our critical needs are worship assistants and live streaming volunteers.** All positions are simple and come with training and support, and no experience is required.



Please prayerfully consider volunteering. Do you have questions, you can reach out to Liz Walker, Volunteer Coordinator at 502-693-7576 or [clcvolunteers9@gmail.com](mailto:clcvolunteers9@gmail.com) or Karen Koch at [karen.koch@cpa.com](mailto:karen.koch@cpa.com). We will be happy to answer them.

## MUSIC NOTES

A very belated thanks and bravo to those who sang the *Annunciation* for our mid-week Lent services: Shirley Williamson, Yvonne Gallahue, Jane Farrar, Dale Breitenstein and Hannah Gibson! Thanks also to the many folks who are helping out by singing the *Kyrie* at various services. All of our volunteers (music and otherwise) are giving gifts that don't fit in the offering plate! Another very big and needed gift is that given by Jane Farrar and Yvonne Gallahue. They have organized and re-cataloged the Celebration Service music, and Jane is also preparing the folders for the musicians for those services. As is often the case, there's a lot of behind-the-scenes work which goes into producing our worship services and we truly appreciate those who do it!

Returning to occasionally spotlighting one of our hymns, we'll take a look at ELW 526 *God Is Here!* The text by Fred Pratt Green was commissioned by Russell Schulz-Widmar in 1978 for a dedication at University United Methodist Church in Austin, Texas. The very specific request was for "a hymn that would conclude 'an eight-month long festival centering around the themes of Worship, Music and the Arts.' The closing service was to be a 'dedication of new reading desks, communion table, and font, and finally, the rededication of the people to the life commanded of us and given through Jesus Christ.' Shulz-Widmar said, 'we would prefer a meter of 8787D, since we could then use your text to introduce the tune *Abbot's Leigh* to our congregation."

The tune *Abbot's Leigh* was written by Cyril V. Taylor (1907-1991), the son of an English vicar, on a Sunday morning in 1941 in the village of Abbot's Leigh. Taylor was working as assistant to the head of religious broadcasting for the BBC at the time, and the BBC used *Abbot's Leigh* and other tunes for their program "Lift Up Your Hearts." Thus it was the first tune to be popularized via radio!



Ann Colbert Wade  
Director of Music

The above information comes in part from *Hymnal Companion to Evangelical Lutheran Worship* by Paul Westermeyer and published by Augsburg Fortress.

## BLANKET EVENT WRAP UP

On Sunday, June 9, we had 20 people help tie 32 blankets for the organization My Very Own Blanket. Jessica Rudolph, who started the organization which is located in Ohio, was the featured speaker at a quilt retreat at Mount Saint Francis Retreat Center in southern Indiana.

Jean Eisen took our blankets to the retreat and heard about how the organization has grown in their 20 year history, the high numbers of kids in foster care, and how a blanket given to a child can help them feel loved. MyVeryOwnBlanket.org is now an international organization working in Canada and most recently beginning to work in Australia, in addition to the USA. MVOBs Facebook page has a picture of Jessica receiving the blankets from Jean and also gave a shout out to Thrivent for our \$250 grant.

In order for these blankets to be distributed in our local area, Jean later delivered the blankets to Stepstone Family & Youth Services located in Fern Creek. This office typically works with 65-75 kids. Sonja Stewart, Greg Simoneschi, and Chrissy Martin were thrilled with our donation.



## ONGOING SOCIAL MINISTRY WORK



Please remember to place your gently used shoes in the WaterStep bin in the Narthex. This is an ongoing project to help Third World countries obtain water filtering equipment. To date, we have collected over 14 bags of shoes! Thank you for your donations that made this happen.

## PROPERTY NEWS

Wednesday Friends received a Thrivent Grant for flowers and mulch this spring. As you go around the front of the church notice the purple Angelonia and red, yellow, and orange million bells blooming. Many thanks to Thrivent for helping us again.

Wednesday Friends always appreciates helpers or visitors each Wednesday beginning around 9:30. Anyone is welcome to help trim or weed or pick up trash and sticks.



Pat Friedman & Jean Eisen  
showing off our new  
Angelonia!

Marilyn Peak & Jean Eisen  
surrounded by roses,  
Euphorbia, Million Bells &  
Angelonia!



# JULY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	
<b>July 31</b> 8:30am Worship 9:45am Sunday School Adult Classes Only 11am Worship & Worship@Home			
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<b>17</b> 9:45am Sunday School Adult Classes Only 11am St. Thomas Mass Worship & Worship@Home	<b>18</b> 9am VBS	<b>19</b> 9am VBS 9:30am Tuesday Friends 7pm Council Mtg	<b>20</b> 9am VBS 9:30am We Friends
<b>24</b> 9:45am Sunday School Adult Classes Only 11am St. Thomas Mass Worship & Worship@Home	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 9:30am Tuesday Friends	<b>27</b> 9:30am We Friends



**TEMPORARY OFFICE**

**HOURS**

Monday: 8:30am—2:30pm

Tuesday: 8:30am—3:00pm

Wednesday: 8:30am—1:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am—12:00pm

Friday: 9:00am—12:00pm

<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
		1	2
Wednesday 7pm Christian Ed Mtg	8	9	
Wednesday Ship Mtg	14 7pm Finance Cmte Mtg	15	16
Wednesday	21 9am VBS	22 9am VBS	23
Wednesday	28	29	30

## JULY JAM DONATIONS

CLC continues it's monthly collections for Jeffersontown Area Ministries.

For the month of July we are collecting donations of hair care products. Items that can be donated include shampoo, conditioner, styling products, razors, shaving cream, hair brushes, combs, etc.



Donations can be brought to CLC and place in the JAM donation box located in the Solarium. Members of the Social Ministry Committee will deliver to JAM. You may also drop your donations off directly at JAM. Their address is 10617 Taylorsville Road, 40299. Their hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 10am -1pm.

## TUESDAY FRIENDS QUILTING FOR CHRIST

Tuesday Friends is back at it...quilting, quilting, and more quilting. These ladies meet every Tuesday at 9:30am in Rooms 9 & 10 for sewing, fellowship and... you guess it ... quilting.

They are as busy as ever making quilts for Lutheran World Relief and nursing home and rehab centers right here in Louisville.

Not a quilter, no worries you can join the fun with your knitting, crocheting, or even cross-stitch. You also can just come and share a cup of coffee and visit, no sewing required!



## SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM MEETING AGAIN

After a long hiatus due to Covid-19, the Senior Nutrition Program is once again meeting at Christ Lutheran Church. The program is Monday through Friday, 9am –1pm in Rooms 11 & 12. Anyone 60 years or older are eligible to participate in the program.

It has been great seeing familiar faces once again, in addition to some new ones. The group meets daily for games, activities, and lunch provided by Meals on Wheels, catered by Masterson's.

Are you a senior citizen looking for something to do a couple times a week? Why not visit Ms. Baker and her friends? Or do you need meal assistance? Meals on Wheels will deliver to your home. Call the church office for details, 502-267-5082 or contact the Senior Nutrition Program at 502-574-6325.



# Boundless: GOD Beyond Measure

South Central Conference VBS  
Hosted by Christ Lutheran Church  
Presented by LOMIK staff  
July 18-22, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (Mon-Thurs.) Grades 1-6  
9:00 a.m. - Noon (Mon-Thurs.) Pre-K & K  
9:00 a.m. - Noon (Friday) All ages

BOUNDLESS: GOD BEYOND MEASURE

**Theme verse:** *Ephesians 3:18-19 CEV*

**Great news!! The deadline has now been extended to July 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Don't miss your chance to attend VBS. Feel free to invite a friend to come too.**

**Who can attend:** VBS is open to youth starting at age 3 (must be potty trained) through grade 12. Lunch will be provided Monday through Thursday, as well as snacks each day.

## **Classes:**

Pre-K & K – Nancy Walsh (need adult & youth helpers)  
Grades: 1-6 – LOMIK staff, Pastors, & youth helpers  
Grades: 7-12- Can volunteer as youth helpers  
(still need to register)

Mandatory training meeting for youth helpers will take place Friday 7/15 from 6-8 p.m. with Aaron Flynn at Christ Lutheran.

**Adult volunteers are still needed, please register using the link below**

**Deadline:** Please register by July 11th using our VBS website provided below:

<https://louisvillevbs.rsvpify.com>



## LOMIK VBS STAFF MEAL

We need your help!

Part of our agreement with the LOMIK (Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky) staff during VBS week is to help provide them with dinner.

After much success last year, we are asking again for monetary donations to purchase gift cards to nearby restaurants where they can enjoy dinner together.



Please mark your donations **VBS LOMIK Meal** by July 10<sup>th</sup>.

## LIVE STREAMING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our church is in need of volunteers to help with the live-streaming of our Sunday worship. No experience is necessary to be a volunteer, all individuals wishing to help will be trained. Positions needed include an individual to run the powerpoint program and an individual to run the live-stream and manage the sound. At this time the only service that we live-stream is the 11am Sunday service. Please contact either Pastor Bimen, 553-6025 or Karen Koch, 502-552-9766, [karen.koch@cpa.com](mailto:karen.koch@cpa.com)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please let us know how we can pray for you. Just call the church office, 267-5082, or email us at [church\\_office@christlutheranlouisville.com](mailto:church_office@christlutheranlouisville.com) and we will send out a prayer request. Christ Lutheran has some fierce prayer warriors always ready and willing to lift you up in prayer.

## WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

The Monday weekly prayer meeting will not meet in July. It will resume in August.



# JULY CELEBRATIONS

July Birthdays		July Anniversaries	
7/2	Sherry Davis James Pryor	7/1	Trish & Randy Ferris
7/4	Janet Kull	7/2	Jane & Tom Farrar
7/8	Marti Gibson	7/6	Sharon & Ron Coombs
7/9	Ann Colbert Wade	7/12	Karen & Ed Schuette
7/14	Marty Mercer	7/21	Heather & Andy Rush
7/15	Samantha Brace Rich Hallum	7/22	Amanda & Matthew Phillips
7/16	Peggy Stephens		
7/17	Alex Huber		
7/18	Brian Zibart		
7/19	Nathan Pfalzgraf		
7/25	Jessica Bruederle		
7/27	Karen Schuette Gary Stephens		
7/29	Eliza Stephens		
7/30	Keaton Walker		

**Don't forget to share your  
special dates with us!  
We would love to celebrate you!**

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## MONTHLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

### PLEASE REMEMBER...

DATE	EARLY SER-	LATE SERVICE	ONLINE	TOTAL
June 5	18	58	22	98
June 12	24	53	18	95
June 19	36	31	13	80
June 26	29	54	18	111

Please fill out the attendance cards that are handed out at each worship service. These cards capture important information that helps us keep our records up to date. Attendance is recorded every Sunday and this data is included in our Annual Report.

*Making Christ Known*



9212 Taylorsville Road  
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Sunday Worship  
8:30am & 11am

Sunday School  
preK—Adult 9:45am

Find us on  @

Christ Lutheran  
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**Worship Times:** Sundays at 8:30am & 11:00am.

**Sunday School:** Age 3—adults at 9:45am every Sunday.

**Nursery :** Infant to 6 years old in Room 3 during 8:30am & 11am services.