



# Christ Lutheran CHURCH

WEEKLY SCRIBE  
June 26, 2022

***Unfailing Light***  
***An evening setting of Holy Communion***

*Join us every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. outside around  
the Memorial Garden*

Faith Formation Opportunities  
Sunday, 9:20 a.m.

Partners in a New Creation  
Dave Keammerer  
Room 120

## **LOST AND FOUND**

There is a table in the Gathering Place with items that we have found in the past year.

Please take home what is yours and after 2 weeks what is left we will donate. Thank you!!!

## **Mark your calendars**

### **Family Night**

**Saturday, July 9 @ 4:00 p.m.** for pot luck & games.  
Please contact Nikki Soleim for more info.

**End of Summer Rally Picnic at CLC**  
**Saturday, August 20** from 5-7 p.m.

## Volunteers needed for Overnight Shelter ministry

Men **who are** experiencing homelessness and part of the New Creations program have been getting a hot meal and a place to sleep every Saturday night thanks to Christ Lutheran church volunteers. There are 7 churches that cover the April through October months and we are home to these men every Saturday night from 7pm-7 am.

This is one significant way we as a church change lives as we serve **our** neighbors for **Jesus'** sake.

The men's shelter team is always willing to train new volunteers and support them. If someone only volunteers once in the 6 months, it makes a big difference.

Our greatest need right now is the 2:30-7:00 shift. We currently have July 2 and July 9th without coverage for that shift. This is a quiet shift so many who give up sleep also catch up on projects like reading, sewing, answering emails, etc.

We have two other shifts: intake shift from 6:30-10 and first overnight shift from 10-2:30am.

The shelter leader team is so grateful to be able to say that intake and 10:00 o'clock shifts are fully covered through July 30. But we still have several months to go. If you're far enough along in your summer planning to consider August, please let us know or jump right in and sign up on the app.

Many meal dates are open in July and August too.

The links to use for signing up are on the CLC app and below:

To sign up for supervision shifts, both intake and overnight:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e49abaa2aaaf9c25-shelter>

To sign up for a meal:

<https://takethemameal.com/DNZU3411>

The truly easiest, fewest-clicks way to reach these sign ups is via the CLC app. You can find it at the App Store by searching Christ Lutheran Valparaiso. You'll recognize our new logo. Once you have the app, select 'Adults' on the home page, then select 'Service.'

Once on the overnight **Sign Up Genius**, you will notice the first shift intake, 6:30-10, and as you scroll you see all the Saturdays we host the men through Oct 15th. The next section as you scroll is the 10:00-2:30 shifts through Oct 15 and lastly 2:30-7:00 time slots are listed. Keep scrolling down to find the shift and date you want to volunteer.

If you need help or never volunteered before and want to learn more, please contact us directly.

Lisa Owen: call or text 219-477-9240 or [jlo46383@msn.com](mailto:jlo46383@msn.com)

Diana Iltzsche: call or text 219-628-0950; [diltzsche@hotmail.com](mailto:diltzsche@hotmail.com)

# CLC Social Ministry and Mission

June 2022

*As you do it for the least of these, you do it for Christ. (Matthew 25:40)*



**FIGHTING** hunger.  
**FEEDING** hope.

 **Project Neighbors**

June's emphasis is providing support for the **Food Bank of Northwest Indiana** <http://www.foodbanknwi.org> and **Project Neighbors** <https://projectneighbors.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/ProjectNeighbors>.

The **Food Bank of Northwest Indiana's** (FBNI) mission is "to provide food for hungry people in NW Indiana through a network of charities increasing public awareness and advocating solutions for the issues involved with hunger and acting as an info & referral source to the community". FBNI is based in Merrillville and is affiliated with and meets the guidelines of Feeding America [www.feedingamerica.org](http://www.feedingamerica.org) and distributes over 2 million pounds of goods/year through 90 network charities in NW Indiana.

**Project Neighbors** (454 College Ave.) is a Not-for-Profit organization in Valpo. By addressing issues of race, class and poverty, Project Neighbors' goal is to build healthy families and neighborhoods, where diversity of all kinds is welcomed and cherished. Project Neighbors' accomplishments in Valparaiso include affordable housing at Caroline's Place and Neighbor's Place and Respite House, childcare and preschool at Hilltop House, community health centers in HealthLine, and the region's only low-power, all-volunteer community radio station, WVLP, among other "risks-turned-rewards."

Help achieve our goal of \$2500 in June (over and above giving combined with CLC's budgeted amount of \$1200). Use your weekly worship giving envelope mailed with check to CLC and indicate "FBNWI/PN" or contribute through PushPay on the CLC website <https://clevelandpo.org> via the "Give" button and choose Monthly Social Ministry Emphasis. Thank you to members for supporting monthly social ministry emphases.

## Getting to Know CLC

Join us to learn more about Christ Lutheran's ministry, history, and teaching. We'll gather for a 3-week series during the Formation Hour on Sundays (9:20am-10:20) September 4, 11, and 18, followed by an opportunity to formally stand with the congregation, confess our faith together, and declare that "Yes! God has something for me here." [Register for our group here.](#)



Dear Fellow Members of CLC:

Thank you for being a part of Christ Lutheran Church, a church that changes lives within our congregation and within our community. I am writing to make you aware of a proposal to amend the constitution of our congregation.

Did you know that our Little Lamb Preschool (LLP) is the largest ministry of the church? Each year Little Lamb touches the lives of over 140 preschool children and their families, providing a loving and nurturing environment in which the children learn and grow. Little Lamb is one of the most sought after preschool programs in the area because of the quality of our teachers, facilities, and curriculum, a distinction only made possible by the tireless efforts of the Little Lamb Board of Directors, the preschool director Jen Gottlieb, and the support and prayers of our congregation.

Given the importance of LLP, it may surprise you to know that the preschool has no official recognition on the Congregation Council. The LLP Board Chair is required by the LLP Constitution to attend council meetings, but they cannot vote. LLP thus has no official say in directing the funds, resources, and policies of the congregation to which it is subject.

Consequently, at the March 8, 2022 meeting of the Congregation Council, the members of the Executive Committee of the Council formally proposed an amendment to the constitution of the church that would add the Little Lamb Board Chairperson to the voting membership of the Congregation Council. The proposed amendment is available in the archive of the reports of the Congregation Council or can be obtained by request (email Jen Bias [jen.bias@clevelandpo.org](mailto:jen.bias@clevelandpo.org) or me [luke.venstrom@valpo.edu](mailto:luke.venstrom@valpo.edu)). The Congregation Council voted unanimously to support the proposed amendment.

When the Council approved the proposed amendment, it took the first step in a series of steps required to ratify the amendment. The next step is for the congregation to convene at a special meeting to agree to formally consider the amendment. If a simple majority vote in favor of the amendment moving forward, the congregation formally recognizes that it is entering into a review period. The review period lasts until the annual meeting in November, at which time the congregation votes to ratify the amendment. A two-thirds majority is required for ratification.

By the authority vested in the president of the congregation in section C10.02 of the constitution, I am calling a special meeting of the congregation for the purpose of voting to formally consider this amendment. **The special meeting will be held on August 21, 2022 during the faith formation hour. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.**

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the proposed amendment, please feel free to contact me or other members of the Congregation Council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luke J. Venstrom". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Luke J. Venstrom  
President of the Congregation

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# WORSHIP AT THE BEACH



SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup>

Plan to join us for Worship at 10:30am followed by a picnic.

Location: Marquette Park (Miller Beach)

More details to follow!

Stained Glass Art Installation

Where: In the East Link—Look up to the windows to the East

Confirmation Project of Elizabeth Kosek with the help of the CLC Youth and  
Mentor Erin Schmidgall

We have an app!

Along with our new logos and new website, [we have a new Christ Lutheran Church app!](#) In it you can find upcoming events and calendars, media, and a place to watch our online services both live and recorded, with more options and content planned. We've built it for both Android and iOS



## Altar Gifts

Would you like to give a gift in memory of a loved one or in honor of family or friend? We are offering the monthly giving for Altar Gifts. The sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center for the following Memorials:

- \* Holy Communion Wine \$25/month
- \* Altar Candles \$25/month
- \* Eternal Lamp Candles \$25/month

If you would like to order flowers, please call the church office (219-462-6660) for details.

LWR QUILTERS

2022 Quilt Count: 317

LWR/CLC Baby Care Kits Project

2022 Goal: 500

Kits Completed: 485

LWR/CLC Fabric Project

2022 Goal: 150

Kits Completed: 72

LWR/CLC Personal Care Kits

Kits Completed: 375



Christ Lutheran Church - Valparaiso

Available in App Stores







American  
Red Cross



*Join Camp Do Good*

**DONATE BLOOD. HELP SAVE LIVES.**

**Blood Drive**  
**Christ Lutheran Church**

Activity Center - Door 14  
2610 North Campbell  
Valparaiso

**Monday, June 27**  
**1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**



**VNA HOSPICE**  
NWI



## **Volunteer Opportunity!**

### **Make Blankets for Veterans**

**VNA Hospice of NWI has an ongoing need for  
handmade blankets to honor our veterans.**

**Blankets must be at least 4 ft x 4 ft  
and red, white, and blue (knitted, crocheted, or quilted, but  
cannot resemble the flag!)**

**Interested in helping with this worthwhile  
opportunity?**

**Contact us at  
[veterans@vnanwi.org](mailto:veterans@vnanwi.org)**

