

We are a Christ-Centered congregation committed to the authority of the Bible as the inspired Word of God. We follow His Word, which commands us to reach out to all people with the saving power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness and service.

Christiana Courier

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Reformation 500 Event at Christiana on August 27th

Sunday afternoon, at 4:00pm in the sanctuary we will have the last of our Reformation 500 sessions.

We will begin with a hymn sing of hymns by Martin Luther and worship.

The speaker will be the Rev. Carlan Ours, pastor of Organ Lutheran Church, Salisbury. His topic will be "Impact of Reformation on the World."

Following worship will be a time of fellowship with refreshments in the Smith Assembly Hall.

Save the date: Sunday October 29th 4pm at Organ Lutheran Church will be our joint LCMC/NALC Reformation Service with Holy Communion. The guest preacher will be The Rev. Mark Ryman, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Clemmons, NC and Communications Director of the NALC.

It's that time again!

The Christiana Lutheran Men in Mission are planning their next car show for Saturday, November 4. All profits will go to Brighten the Beacon. What we need is YOU to volunteer, support, eat chicken, have fun, and share fellowship!

You blessed us last year and we made \$5,000. Our goal this year is \$7,000 and we can do it! Tell your friends, sell chicken tickets (and eat some, too!), push raffle baskets and 1/2 & 1/2 tickets. Show your pride and let our Beacon shine!



Sunday School Rally Day is set for August 27th

Rally Day begins at 9:00 a.m. in the assembly hall with breakfast for all members and guests.

A Rally Day Program will be held in the assembly hall at 9:30 a.m.

2016-2017 teachers will be honored and the 2017-2018 teachers will be installed during the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Teachers give of their time and talent to teach Sunday School and do a superb job. All are encouraged to express thanks, appreciation, and gratitude to our faithful teachers for a job well done!

Summer Bible Reading TRIP still rolling along

How's your Summer TRIP through the Bible going? As of the 1st of August you should be on chapters 19 and 20 of the Gospel of John. On August 31st you should be finished with the Paul's letter to the Romans.

Remember, for Luther TRIP stood for:

T – think of passage of scripture (*in this case the daily reading*)

R – record one or two verses on paper that have special meaning

I – in your own words write it out – noting how God spoke to you

P – what's my plan of action to apply this verse to my life

July Attendance

July 2

Sunday School: 83
Worship: 124

July 9

Sunday School: 103
Worship: 131

July 16

Sunday School: 81
Worship: 129

July 23

Sunday School: 56
Worship: 88

THRIVE

*****August 13th YOUTH SUNDAY*****

Lunch Fundraiser following the service to support the Youth!
All THRIVERS are invited to LaVaughn's for Pool Party
after lunch until 6:00pm.



Those Who Serve in August

Nursery Attendants

Aug. 6 S Paskiewicz & E Barnes

Aug. 13 Joe & Denise Koehn

Aug. 20 A Smith, Jeniffer & A Honeycutt

Aug. 27 Joe & Denise Koehn

Children's Sermon Pt. 2

Aug. 6 L Scott & M Riddle

Aug. 13 B Barnhardt & youth

Aug. 20 K Haynes & K Goodman

Aug. 27 Wendi & Caylee Hawkins

Offering Counters

Aug. 6 Marsha & Dale Beaver

Aug. 13 R Crouch & E Eller

Aug. 20 M Zieverink & K Goodman

Aug. 27 Laurie & Cam Ritchie

August Birthdays

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| 1 Harold Morris | 19 Brian Cross |
| 3 Joy Bernhardt | 19 Caidee Hawkins |
| 5 Drew Pethel | 20 Claude Lingle, Jr. |
| 7 Abby Cozart | 20 Ben Lyerly |
| 8 Patti Boles | 22 Mike Merrell |
| 10 Angie Hayes | 22 Lindsay Wright |
| 12 Scott Hayes | 25 Louise Crowther |
| 12 Mike Keene | 25 Marsha Beaver |
| 12 Dee Smith | 27 Sandra Cross |
| 14 Henry Holland | 27 Blessed Thompson |
| 15 Kenneth Elium | 27 Blessing Thompson |
| 18 Diane Smith | 28 Dale Beaver |
| 19 Zelia Frick | |



Aug. 6
Pedestal—
Carmen Pethel

Aug. 13 Kevan Barringer
Pedestal—Matt Cairrikier

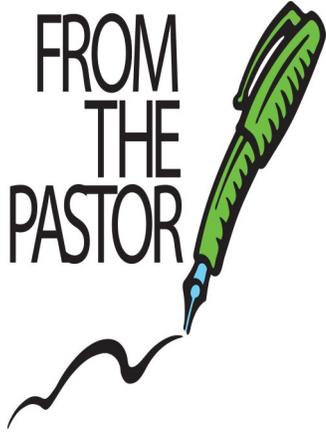
Aug. 20 Linda Duncan

Aug 27
Pedestal—Jenny Roberts

Altar flowers are needed Aug. 6 & 27.
Contact Kathy Haynes or the church office.



Altar Flowers



The Annual NALC Convocation is next month

“Holding Fast: Being Reformed” is the theme of the 2017 NALC Convocation Aug. 9-11 at the Sheraton Music City Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee.

The Convocation begins with worship at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 9. The Rev. Yonas Yigezu, newly-elected President of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus, will be the preacher for the service.

The NALC Mission Festival will be the focus of the Convocation Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. The Mission Festival is designed to inspire and serve as a resource to congregations. The focus will be “Renewing Congregational Life through the Word of God” with keynote presentations by Bishop John Bradosky and Pastor Gemechis Buba, Assistant to the Bishop for Missions.

Mission Districts will gather on Wednesday evening for Bible study and business meetings. A festival Communion service celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Thursday. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Fredrick Onael Shoo, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, will be the preacher for the service.

The Convocation is the annual gathering and business meeting of the NALC. The Convocation will elect members of the Executive Council and Court of Adjudication. The Convocation will also receive financial reports and consider budgets.

Changes to the process used to elect the Bishop will be considered by Convocation delegates. Constitutional amendments have been proposed by a task force which studied the election process.

Several speakers representing a variety of ministry partners will address the Convocation. Keynote addresses on the significance of the Reformation will be made by the Rev. Dr. James Nestingen and the Rev. Dr. Nathan Howard Yoder.

Attending for Christiana Lutheran Church will be Harry Agner, voting delegate, along with my wife Kathy and me. We will be driving to Nashville on Tuesday and return on Saturday. I ask that you be in prayer for our safe travels there and back as well as discernment of God’s will by all gathered for the convocation as we seek to do the business of Christ’s Church.

Pastor Carl

Christiana Rowdy Seniors plan outing

You’re invited to join the seniors on Thursday, August 3 at noon at the home of LaVaughn Beaver for a pool party/covered dish meal.



Prayer concerns:

Zelia Frick, rescheduled treatment to shrink the benign tumor in her head to September. Colten Hawkins, scheduled August 14 for surgery to remove cyst on neck. Onetia Bruce's sister, Lois, recovering from broken hip. Tommy Stoner, recovering from knee surgery. Drew Hill, diagnosed with a brain tumor. Pat Ramsey, sores in mouth and on feet from chemo. Nancy Agner, back at home taking PT. Greg Taylor, recovering at home from being burned at Hitachi. Alease Cline fell, recovering from re-breaking her wrist. Ricky Cross, COPD. Gloria Cross, stage 3 kidney disease. Kathie Albright and her father Glenn Wilson both under doctor's care. Wanda Smith, spinal stenosis & stage 2 kidney disease. Denise Koehn's friend Sandy Morris, stage 3 breast cancer. Marsha & Dale's friend, Gail Reynolds, stage 3 pancreatic cancer. Ann & Bill Meacham, poor health.

Our Sympathy to

Michael Stack and family upon the death of his wife, Teresa



Mailing and e-mail addresses needed for college students

Christiana supports its college students by keeping them informed of the church's events so they will know they are still an important part of their church family while away in school. Please send mailing and e-mail addresses to the church office ASAP to:
christiana1@charlotte.twcbc.com
or call 704-279-4655.

Remember our Shut-Ins

Genesis Healthcare:
Carolyn Barringer Corl

Brookdale Assisted Living:
Juanita Hovis

Trinity Oaks Health & Rehab:
Katherine Lyerly

Carillon Assisted Living: Pauline Lyerly

The Meadows of Rockwell: Pat Ramsey

Liberty Commons: Elizabeth Ritchie



Summer Reading T.R.I.P. thoughts shared

We are two thirds into the Summer Reading T.R.I.P. and reading in the Book of John. Did you know the gospel of John never provides the name of its author? There are some key factors that point to the identification of John as the author. First, the book itself identifies the author as the disciple whom Jesus loved (John 13:23). This description likely pointed to John for several reasons: the author had to be one of the twelve disciples because he was an eyewitness to the events in the gospel (John 21:24); he was probably one of the inner circle of three disciples (James, John, and Peter) because he was among the first Mary told of the resurrection (John 20: 1-10); and this disciple is distinguished from Peter in the book, while James died too soon after the resurrection to be the author. At this moment Mike and I are up-to-date on the reading schedule (although we have had to 'catch up' several times). Keep reading to hear from some of the Summer Reading T.R.I.P. participants about their experience.

Soli Deo Gloria, Vickie Keene, Evangelism Committee

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I've heard that each time you read the Bible, you get something new & fresh from it. I have personally experienced this with the Summer Bible Reading TRIP. By using a different version for this adventure, I have had the truths of the New Testament come alive in a new way for me. This adventure has been a fulfilling experience to enhance my biblical knowledge & to improve my pursuit of stronger discipleship.

Brian Barringer

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Our Bible Challenge has flowed seamlessly into my Zumba and fitness class devotionals.

"For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you."

"I am with you always."

"All things are possible to him who believes."

Our devotional theme this summer is seeing the power and wonder of God in everything around us. God helps us celebrate our victories, and He carries us through the desolate terrain. God shines through others to encourage and uplift us. God is hope. God is strength. God is love.

Angie Fleming

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T - Reading of the day, John 5 & 6

R - Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes in him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life.

Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.

I - For a believer Eternal Life begins when he accepts Jesus Christ and does not have to wait until the end of time.

P - God is the source and creator of all life, for there is no life apart from God, here or hereafter. We must listen daily to God and in obedience, strive to live the way he wants us to by making the right choices in life.

Sources: Harper Collins Study Bible and Life Applications Study Bible

Marvin & Betty Weant

LCW August meetings

Miss Katherine Lyerly Group

will meet on Tuesday
August 1 at 10:00 a.m.
with Glenn Wall, program leader.
Lunch at El Patron

Sister Lucille Lyerly Group

will meet on August 20 immediately
following worship for a covered dish pool
party at the home of LaVaughn Beaver.

Charles Roberts thanks Pastor Carl and
the congregation for all the cards, pray-
ers, food and visits following his recent
knee replacement surgery.

Thank you!

American Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, September 3 12-4:30 p.m.

If you would like to make an appointment,
please call Denise and Joe Koehn at 704-
642-1658 or email them at

jkoehn@bellsouth.net

Walk-ins welcome; bring a friend!

Brittney Ritchie to present Luther Talk

On July 30th in the Smith Assembly Hall during nor-
mal Sunday School hours, Brittney Ritchie will give
a Luther Talk, or a presentation on her trip through
Lutherland, Germany. She will discuss what she
learned about Martin Luther, sharing photos and
talking about the impact the trip had on her faith.
Refreshments will be served at 8:45 a.m. and all are
invited.

Gifts to Brighten the Beacon

In memory of Gib Russell by Mike & Kate Beretsky, Alan
& LaVaughn Beaver, Frances Peeler, Ronnie & Janis Smith,
Charles & Jenny Roberts, Karen & Jay Goodman, Madeline
Zieverink, Sheryl Lyerly, Phyllis & Robbie Robinson, Mike &
Vickie Keene, Cam & Laurie Ritchie, William & Sybil Baker,
Michael Albright, Dale & Marsha Beaver, Linda Troutman,
Todd & Vickie Eddleman, Scott & Felicia Eagle, Becky &
Harold Morris, Louise Crowther, Doris Ritchie, Perry & Lori
Bernhardt, Onetia Bruce, Clyde & Anna Brown

**In honor of Patti Holshouser and in memory of Jim Dun-
can's mother and sister** by Charles & Jenny Roberts

In honor of Ronnie & Janis Smith by Woodrow & Zelia
Frick

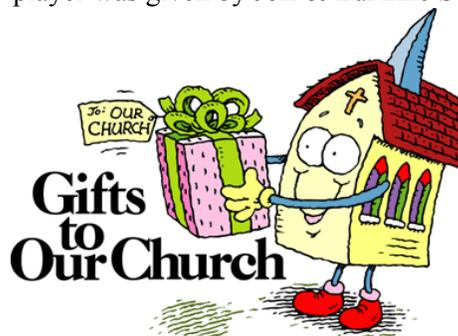
Gifts to Bus Fund

In memory of Gib Russell by Carolyn Corl, Robert Barrin-
ger, Men's Bible Class

In honor of Terry Connell by Charles & Jenny Roberts

Other Gifts

In honor of Jason Smith and Becky Morris, a Sony Blu-ray
Disc & DVD player was given by Jeff & LuAnne Scott.



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Sunday School 9:15 AM
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

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Council Secretary: Bruce Wilhelm

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Church Treasurer: Laurie Ritchie
Organist/Music Director: Becky Morris
Youth Director: Brittney Barnhardt

Christiana Lutheran Men: Jason Smith
Christiana Rowdy Seniors: Jenny Roberts

Chancel Choir
Becky Morris, Director
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Handbell Choir
Kathy Haynes, Director
Now on summer break.

Children's Choirs
Becky Morris, Director
Now on summer break

Mailed July 26, 2017

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www.christianalutheran.org

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Blessing of book bags set

On Sunday, August 20 Christiana will have the annual blessing of the book bags.

All students and teachers are invited to bring their book bags to worship for a blessing.



August Scripture Lessons

9th Sunday after Pentecost, August 6

Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 136:1-9 (23-26)
Romans 9:1-5 (6-13)
Matthew 14:13-21

10th Sunday after Pentecost, August 13

Job 38:4-18
Psalm 18:1-6 (7-16)
Romans 10:5-17
Matthew 14:22-33

11th Sunday after Pentecost, August 20

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32
Matthew 15:21-28

12th Sunday after Pentecost, August 27

Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 11:33-12:8
Matthew 16:13-20

Christiana Lutheran Church Council Minutes, July 9, 2017

Present: Richard Crouch, Madeline Zieverink, Bruce Wilhelm, Pastor Haynes, Dale Beaver, Jeff Fleming, Charlotte Pacilio, Vickie Keene, Branson Pethel, Cam Ritchie, Terry Ritchie, Jenny Roberts, members. Laurie Ritchie, Brittney Barnhardt

Absent: Harold Morris, Banks Kluttz, LeAnne Kluttz

Approval of:

Minutes of June Council Meeting Minutes for the June 2017 council meeting were approved as submitted.

Financial Report for June The financial report for June, 2017 was presented and explained by Laurie Ritchie, Treasurer. The loose offering from last week's service had not been designated for a specific use. Council approved a motion to donate last week's loose offering of \$241 to The Lord's Harvest. The financial report was then approved as submitted.

Reception of:

Pastor's Report for June was presented and accepted as submitted.

Youth Director's Report for June

Brittney Barnhardt, Youth Director, showed council a new handbook that she had developed for upcoming high school students entitled "Leaders in Training" or LIT. This handbook will be used in a new mentor training program she is developing to train older (high school) kids on how to mentor younger kids. Terry Ritchie will help with the printing of the book.

Madeline suggested that sometime on October we recognize these students who have become mentors. Pastor Carl then suggested that we have a commissioning service for these new student mentors.

It was also noted that Sunday August 13 is Youth Sunday and that both the loose offering and funds donated during the lunch after worship services will be given to the youth program. The youth director's report for June was presented and accepted as submitted.

Committee Reports & Auxiliary Concerns:

Stewardship Committee

Cam Ritchie, chairman, reviewed the offering numbers for the year. Cam explained that there was a drop in giving in May and June and that if we stayed on this track we would be behind in the budget by the end of the year. Additionally, the following reports were made:

Laurie Ritchie, treasurer, informed council that the water bill almost doubled last month and that there might be a possible water leak somewhere. The property committee will look into this matter.

Madeline reviewed the insurance policy for the council. When she received the binder for the package insurance policy for the church it showed that the Employment Practices Endorsement was now separate and would cost an additional \$765 per year. After a thorough discussion on this item, a motion was made to drop this particular coverage as it was deemed unnecessary and eliminating it would save the church \$765 per year. The motion passed.

Madeline also reported on insurance for the new bus. The bus is currently covered under the church's umbrella policy for \$1M per incident and \$3M aggregate. She is looking at different liability limits and has requested a quote for a separate policy on the bus for \$1M, \$3M and \$5M in order to compare with our current coverage.

Christian Education

Dale Beaver reported that Vacation Bible School for both the youth and adults starts next week.

In addition to our regular offering, there will also be a "Noisy Offering". This "Noisy Offering" is to raise funds that will be given to the public school teachers in our congregation to help them purchase much needed classroom supplies.

Christian Education is also continuing to make plans for rally day and Reformation 500 day, both of which fall on the same day, Sunday August 27. Volunteers are needed to help with both events. They are also looking for volunteers for Sunday school teachers.

Property Committee

J. Wood reported that there was a problem with the floor in the upstairs women's restroom. When the toilet overflowed recently, the sub-flooring became waterlogged and "soft". This sub-flooring needed to be replaced and the floor repaired.

Worship Committee No report

Social Ministry Committee No report

Brighten the Beacon

Richard Crouch reported that the committee has received and reviewed that architect's plans for the new building. The committee will meet in the next couple of weeks, after everyone has returned from vacation, to decide on the next steps in moving forward.

Membership Review Committee No report

Evangelism Committee Vickie Keene reported on the TRIP summer reading program.

Brittany Barnhardt has produced a video on the TRIP summer reading program that contains interviews with church members describing their experience. This video will be shown to the congregation at the beginning of our service in the next couple of weeks.

Today Pastor Carl will show the congregation the new "witness cards" which can be given out to help introduce people

to Christiana. These cards will be handed out to the congregation before and after the service. Additional cards will also be available.

Vickie also reported that the new home baked cookie welcome program for first time visitors is working well.

Fellowship Committee No report

Landscape Committee

Terry Ritchie reported that everything is growing and Richard is mowing.

Cemetery Committee No report.

Richard noted that the edge of the new concrete pad for the columbarium needs to be backfilled and the landscaping finished. Jenny will contact the cemetery committee and follow up on this.

Facilities Committee

Jeff Fleming reported on following up with martial arts group concerning a letter of insurance.

Charlotte stated that the new quilting group needs someplace that they store and use their equipment and supplies. She asked if they could use the downstairs storage room. The room will first be cleaned out and then they will come back to council with plans and recommendations.

Health Committee No report.

Archives Committee No report

CRS (Christiana Rowdy Seniors)

Jenny Roberts reported that the seniors group took a trip Thursday on the new bus to the China Grove Family Restaurant. 16 people rode on the bus with Kevin Holland driving. More people with the seniors group met them at the restaurant.

A pool party at LaVaughn Beaver's house is being planned for August.

LCW (Katherine Lyerly)

A "mystery dinner theatre" as a fundraiser is being planned.

The LCW will not have a meeting in July.

LCW (Sister Lucille)

Wallpaper has been removed from the walls in the upstairs women's restroom in preparation for painting. The floor is also being repaired due to a water problem.

No meeting in July.

CLM No report

Youth See youth director's report for June.

Scouts

J. Wood reported that plans are being made for summer camp.

It was also reported that a potential new scout master has been found.

Prayerful Consideration of Council Matters

Endowment Fund By-laws

Branson Pethel, chairman of the Endowment fund committee, reported on and reviewed the new In Faith Community guidelines. After a brief discussion, a motion was made to accept the guidelines as presented. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Bus Guidelines

Madeline presented the council with proposed guidelines for use of the new church bus and the record forms that are to be filled out by the drivers and groups that use the bus.

The question was raised as to whether individuals who are not members of Christiana should be allowed to drive the bus. After a thorough discussion, it was unanimously decided that, due to insurance considerations, only members of Christiana who have a CDL can operate the bus.

A bus committee is to be formed that will be responsible for maintenance, upkeep, and record keeping, as well as, the recruiting, training and licensing of drivers.

Drew Harwood will be doing the new lettering and logo for the bus in the next couple of weeks. Shelby Harwood donated the funds to pay for the re-lettering.

August Council Meeting: Sunday August 13, 2017 from 7:30 am until 9:00 am.

Church Lock up Schedule

July - Jenny Roberts

August - Richard Crouch

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Wilhelm

Church Council Secretary