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It is great to be part of a growing, thriving church that has so many opportunities and so many programs for our members. Recently, I read through the list of opportunities on the last page of the Crosswords which I hadn't done for awhile, but noticed some programs and volunteer options that got my attention. While working on my report for the congregational meeting, I was surprised to see there are about 100 people who volunteer for various positions for worship. Despite this sizable number of volunteers, we actually have a need for more volunteers – especially in these areas: Sunday School Teachers, Alter Guild, Worship/Usher Teams, Greeters, and nursery attendants. Being a volunteer may only be a monthly or quarterly commitment, and training is provided. This past Sunday in church, Pastor Tom had mentioned that if we feel even the slightest tug on our hearts to volunteer, maybe we should listen to it.

As we wind down our church season and enter the slower months of summer, please consider volunteering at our church. Even though we don't have a weekly Sunday School, there are other areas that still need volunteers throughout the summer. Come next August, there will be a great need for Sunday School teachers and the curriculum, as well as the children, are awesome!

Please contact Debby Kinsella for more information or if you can help at dkinsella@clchr.org.

Thank you for prayerfully considering these volunteer needs for our church. Enjoy your summer!



Scrip Update

**Do you have a graduation celebration coming up?
Or maybe a summer home improvement project?**

CLC Scrip gift cards make wonderful gifts and are always available for order here at CLC. Our order form includes a large selection of restaurants and stores, and many more are available by checking out www.glscrip.com. We also keep a complete list of available merchants, along with order forms, in the basket by the information wall in the narthex. Reloadable King Soopers cards are also available at the Scrip table between services. Thanks for your support!

ADULT MISSION TRIP

Ten Volunteers attended the adult mission trip to Sky Ranch. Sky Ranch has estimated the cost of supplies to be \$2100.00 for the retreat center, and your cash donations would be greatly appreciated. Please place cash (in envelope) or check in the offering plate and mark it "Adult mission trip."



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Pastor Tom's Message



I have just been told that it is Newsletter article deadline time. "What again?" I respond to this reminder. What can I write about this time? Our over communicating seems sometimes like we are just filling the time. Newsletters (even if they are electronic), eNews, bulletins, verbal and video announcements, emails, tweets and texts, where is the time to reflect without something demanding our attention?

It seems the months roll by, quicker and quicker it seems as they also seem busier and busier. We may gripe about it but honestly, we would not really want it the opposite way. Maybe it is just a change of pace

now and then we need to "let our souls catch up to our bodies!" That is what Summer is supposed to be all about, right? But it won't happen unless you are intentional about it. So what are your plans? A calm vacation? Some BBQ dinners with family or friends? Getting to some of those books you want to read, especially the ones that are fiction to allow you to escape for a while? Better make some plans before it too passes! So what to write for another Newsletter? I have a few ideas.

Throughout the year I have come to see gathering for worship that kind of change of pace each week and a connecting to a larger group, a community of friends and fellow traveler along life's and faith's journey. A time to oxygenate our blood through singing and prayer. A time to hear and think about what it is all about as well as a time to catch up with others, share joys and concerns, support and comfort one another. I guess all my thoughtful written meanderings here are leading up to saying:

Don't Miss Out On Summer Worship!

Change the pace though, if you normally worship on Sunday morning at 9:30a.m., try Saturday night at 5 p.m. or vice versa. Come at 8a.m. or 9:30a.m. Just try it. The services are similar but not all the same plus it gives you an opportunity to use the other normal time you worship for something else. Sleeping in, a hike, whatever you like that is spiritually renewing.

11 a.m. Sunday worship takes July off and part of August.

This summer we are hoping our 11a.m. regulars will come to one of the other times of worship for the Sundays of July and the Sundays of August 4th, 11th & 18th. August 25th will be the return of the 11 a.m. Sunday service.

Worship in the Park will take place Sunday, August 18th @ 10 a.m. followed by picnic, fun and fellowship! On Saturday, August 17th there will be the usual 5 p.m. Worship service. Sunday, August 18th Worship will be offered at 8 a.m. in the Sanctuary and at 10 a.m. at Civic Green Park. There will be no 9:30 a.m. Service August 18th.

All services will return to our normal schedule August 24th & 25th.

Finally, I invite you to consider officially joining CLC as a member this summer. Sometimes this does not seem to be important to many but it does matter in many ways that often come up later. Being a member not only means that you can vote and serve on leadership teams but it also means you are committed to what God is doing at and through CLC! New Member Classes will be held June 23, 25 & 30th.

Even if you choose not to be a member, please get a username and temporary password from Mary in the office for our CCB church data base to update your information and upload a picture of you and your family!

+ Many Blessings + See you in Worship + Pastor Tom



CLC Military Ministry

The CLC Military Ministry, in conjunction with Operation One Nation, is looking at a number of different ways we can recognize our veterans, both past and present. There will be another Michael Peterson concert this year, and if you were at last year's concert, you know how awesome it was. As our plans become more firm, we will be making announcements. So please be watching!

New Member Class Series

CLC is holding another new member class series.

Sunday June 23rd at noon
Tuesday June 25th at 6:00 pm
and Sunday June 30th at noon

The classes are an hour and a half and food will be served. If you are interested in joining Christ Lutheran, would like to transfer your membership or just want more information, please join us.

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL

Thank you, thank you thank you. The preschool is happy to announce that we did win the Herald's, "Best of the Best" award for the best preschool in Highlands Ranch! This is what we consider the highest award for schools. We have been fortunate to win it in the past a few times and we take great pride in knowing we do have a fabulous school that serves our community. Thank you to all those who voted for us, we could not have won without the wonderful support of our parents and congregation.

We are looking forward to a great summer school program. Each of our four sessions are very full. And, we are excited to be sharing space with the Easter Seals summer camp as well.

We wish everyone a very blessed summer filled with family and fun! Be safe and be well.

- Deb and Blair.

Pastor DJ's Message



My parents recently made their first ever visit to Colorado and were looking forward to this promised weather and scenery that I had frequently spoken of. Sure enough, one morning we were sitting on the back deck of the house in about 75 degree weather in shorts and t-shirts and decided to make the trip down to the Garden of the Gods. What we didn't know was that there was about a 30 degree difference between Highlands Ranch and Colorado Springs. We showed up at the visitor's center and realized quickly that this would not be a long stay outdoors as we were severely underdressed for cold, foggy, and windy. It occurred to me at that point "Colorado Weather" means different things to different people – and that even a slight change in location means vastly different experiences.

It is no different with our faith lives. That even a neighbor we have for 30 years has experienced the world differently than we have. Our Sin (that is our separation from God and others) keeps us from seeing things as our neighbor sees them, or from feeling the same things, or believing the same things. When we speak then, as we did on Pentecost Sunday that the Spirit keeps us in "the one true faith" we speak of the Christians of all traditions whose experience has caused us at times to fight and even kill one another. Lutherans are good at keeping these things in tension which seem like opposites: we are divided, but yet are one (even among other Lutherans). So Christianity, even among fellow brothers and sisters who live next door for ages, looks vastly different from house to house.

As we ponder the movement of the Holy Spirit in this time in the church year we call "Ordinary Time," let us be mindful that Jesus spoke that the wind blows wherever it wishes and everything that is born of the Spirit does as well (John 3:8). Your faith may not look like the person sitting next to you in a chair, but we come together to hear and preach the story that the Spirit is moving in all of us.

Peace,
Pastor DJ

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

You are invited to come and cheer on Christ Lutheran's softball teams.
 We have a Men's league team and our newest team is Co-Ed.
 The Co-Ed team plays on Sundays at Northridge Park
 and our Men's team plays on Mondays at Redstone Park.

Co-Ed Schedule

June 2nd at 5:55pm
 June 9th at 4:55pm
 June 16th at 6:55pm
 June 23rd at 4:00pm
 July 14th at 4:00pm
 July 21st at 6:55pm
 July 28th at 5:55pm



Men's Schedule

June 3rd at 8:55pm
 June 10th at 8:55pm
 June 17th at 7:05pm
 June 24th at 8:00pm
 July 1st at 8:00pm
 July 8th at 8:55pm
 July 15th at 6:10pm

Playoffs start August 4th

Happy Birthday

Holden Hill - June 1	Erika Reed - June 8	Sara Kroneberger - June 15	Herbert Bowman - June 21	Elliott Ramon - June 27
Ty Jensen - June 2	Jon Silverman - June 9	Mary Menck - June 15	Matti Cembalisy - June 21	Corey Sullivan - June 27
Michelle Cingrani - June 3	Jackie Subart - June 9	David Van Dewerker - June 15	Stephanie Foster - June 21	Matthew Tjosvold - June 27
Matthew Hubbard - June 3	Christine Swenson - June 9	Brian Martin - June 16	Jason Holder - June 21	Pat White - June 27
Emily Bollich Millyard - June 3	Alyson Curry - June 10	Jordy Oleson - June 17	Yvette Smith - June 21	Kristin Bergstrom - June 28
Kay Morse - June 3	Rachel Macko - June 10	Jackie Schneider - June 17	Nancy Bauer - June 22	Alex Brand - June 28
Karen Rucker - June 3	Bret Sumner - June 10	Laura Adams - June 18	Matt Larson - June 22	Randall Colson - June 28
Shane Wischer - June 3	Vernon Hanson - June 11	Liam Etten - June 18	Cole Talus - June 22	Sharyl Morris - June 28
Matthew Bellipanni - June 4	Jorge Mena Casa - June 11	Mathew Ingebritson - June 18	Garin Vorthmann - June 22	Zach Staub - June 28
Taylor Dikeman - June 4	Andrew Bergstrom - June 12	Ryan Smith - June 18	Austin Benner - June 23	Mary Behnke - June 29
Jenna Gereaux - June 4	Jacob Conner - June 12	Lauren Tew - June 18	Ingrid Hirst - June 24	Kathy Boyer - June 29
Larry Morken - June 4	Maddy Etten - June 12	Chris Tronrud - June 18	Addie Reichelderfer - June 24	Rob Cameron - June 29
Tori Sinclair - June 4	Joan Morgan - June 12	Truman Fennel - June 19	Judy Sagrillo - June 24	Benjamin Doernbrack - June 29
John Boettcher - June 5	Marty McGraw - June 13	Oliver Heiner - June 19	Greg Viergutz - June 24	Rachel Grosskrueger - June 29
Julie Gray - June 5	Riley Nedved - June 13	Zoe Henningsen - June 19	Kathryn DeBoer - June 25	Brelyn Stevens - June 29
Roslyn Paine - June 5	Susan Bohren - June 14	Jacque LaShier - June 19	Jay Dikeman - June 25	Cindy Vernell - June 29
Don Burbank - June 6	Mike Brady - June 14	Andy O'Brien - June 19	Susan Dikeman - June 25	Bob Buck - June 30
Andrew McGraw - June 6	Jonathan Danyo - June 14	Kellen McGavern - June 20	Amy Hill - June 26	Maddie Romney - June 30
Julia Radtke - June 7	Mark Edmunds - June 14	Andy Paine - June 20	Jon Melcher - June 26	
Chad Jereme Saewert - June 7	Dick Reimer - June 14	Andrew Parks - June 20	Mitchell Raddatz - June 26	
Bill Hughes - June 8	Norm Beulke - June 15	Jill Radtke - June 20	Clint Koury - June 27	
Erik Kolseth - June 8	Sara Kirk - June 15	Grant Richard Shelly - June 20	Terry Palazzo - June 27	



Worship Team Opportunities

Have you ever thought that you would like to help usher or give communion on Saturday night or Sunday morning? We have openings at all of our services. There will be training available. Please sign the response sheet if you are interested.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild team is looking for another person to help set up at the 8:00 service. If you'd like to help, please talk to Debby.

JUNE						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						9:00am Chicks w/Sticks 1 5:00pm Worship/CC
NAME TAG SUNDAY 2 HARVEST FARM Council Installation 8:00am Worship/CC 9:30am Worship/SS 11:00am Worship/CC 7:00pm AA Meeting	HARVEST FARM 3 6:30am Men's Breakfast Group 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:00am Summer Camp 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Personnel Committee Mtg.	HARVEST FARM 4 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:00am Summer Camp 11:15am Staff Mtg. 5:00pm Crossroads Band 6:15pm Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm BLAZE	HARVEST FARM 5 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:00am Summer Camp	HARVEST FARM 6 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:00am Summer Camp 6:30pm Warren - recital	HARVEST FARM 7 9:00am Rejoice Circle 3:00pm Burns - wedding	5:00pm Worship/CC 8
CONFIRMATION CAMP 9 8:00am Worship/CC 8:00am BAPTISM - Fellows 9:30am Worship/SS 11:00am Worship/CC 7:00pm AA Meeting	CONFIRMATION CAMP 10 6:30am Men's Breakfast Group 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:30am Mission Quilters 6:00pm Boy Scouts Venture 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Legacy & Endowment Mtg.	CONFIRMATION CAMP 11 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 11:15am Staff Mtg. 5:00pm Crossroads Band 6:15pm Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm BLAZE 7:00pm Council Mtg.	CONFIRMATION CAMP 12 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp	CONFIRMATION CAMP 13 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp	CONFIRMATION CAMP 14 12:00pm OWLS Luncheon 7:00pm Eagle Scout Ceremony	5:00pm Worship/CC 15
8:00am Worship/CC 16 8:00am BAPTISM - Anderson 9:30am Worship/SS 11:00am Worship/CC 7:00pm AA Meeting	6:30am Men's Breakfast 17 Group 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Card Making	8:30am Easter Seals 18 Summer Camp 11:15am Staff Mtg. 1:00pm Visiting Nurse Assoc. 5:00pm Crossroads Band 6:15pm Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm BLAZE	8:30am Easter Seals 19 Summer Camp	8:30am Easter Seals 20 Summer Camp	9:00am Rejoice Circle 21	7:00am General Maintenance 5:00pm Worship/CC 22
8:00am Worship/CC 23 9:30am Worship/SS 11:00am Worship/CC 12:00pm New Member's Class 12:15pm Baptism Class 7:00pm AA Meeting	6:30am Men's Breakfast 24 Group 8:30am Easter Seals Summer Camp 9:30am Mission Quilters 6:00pm Boy Scouts Venture 7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:30am Easter Seals 25 Summer Camp 11:15am Staff Mtg. 5:00pm Crossroads Band 5:30pm New Members Class 6:15pm Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm BLAZE	8:30am Easter Seals 26 Summer Camp	8:30am Easter Seals 27 Summer Camp	28	5:00pm Worship/CC 29
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There's a place for you!

Outreach Ministries

Fair Trade Coffee Project
ELCA World Hunger
The Gathering Place
Grant Avenue Street Reach
Habitat for Humanity
Harrington Elementary
Lutheran Family Services
Adult Mission Trips
Outreach Uganda
Urban Peak
(MOPS) Mothers of Preschoolers

Music

Celebration Choir
Crossroads Worship Band
Confirmation Choir
Jubilation Choir
Joy Choir
Carillon Ringers

Preschool

Caring Connection

Individual Care Team
Confidential Prayer Tree
Card Ministry
New-Mother Ministry
Prayer Shawl Knitters
Chefs for Christ
Pastoral Care and Counseling
Chicks with Sticks
Mission Quilters

Youth & Family Ministries

Sunday School
Dynamite Youth Group (4th, 5th, 6th graders)
Blaze (High School Youth)
Sr. High Mission Trip
Confirmation (7th & 8th graders)
First Communion classes
First Bible classes
Baptism classes
Family Nights