

The Messenger

**JULY 2023 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

July Birthday's

Benjamin P	4
Joline Y	5
Ryan S	6
Debbie S	7
Wayne S	10
Patty K	10
Liam V	13
Kelly P	16
Cheryl W	18
Heather N	20
Nancy E	27
Gretchen V	29
Owen K	30



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Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Congregation Council Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2023

Draft version. Minutes not officially approved until the following Congregation Council meeting.

Present: Pastor Laura Kuntz, Ryan Smarsh, Amy Lodge, Chuck Heindricks, Eric Mohny, Tim Gottshall and Katie Koch

Quorum was met.

The in person meeting was called to order by Council President Ryan Smarsh at 6:35 p.m. and opened with prayer.

Review and officially accept minutes from previous Council meeting

Motion: Accept minutes of the May 1, 2023 Congregation Council Meeting.

Motion: Amy Lodge

Second: Tim Gottshall

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report Financials thru May 31, 2023

	May	YTD	
Income	\$18,945	\$92,045	
Expenses	\$23,685	\$110,319	
Net Income	-\$4,740	-\$18,274	
Organ Loan	\$20,443	Pledges Reserve of 5/31/2023	\$2,399
External Funds	\$831,179		
Internal Funds	\$42,905		

Chuck Heindricks reported the Endowment Committee will meet in August, grant requests will be submitted in September, and in October the committee will look at and approve appropriate requests. There is \$23,000 available for grants.

Property

Tim Gottshall reported the annual fire alarm inspection was completed on June 1, 2023 with no violations. A quote for the kitchen stove gas connection was given, but will solicit more quotes. The parking lot sealing and striping was completed, and the exterior Sanctuary doors will be refinished, tentatively, June 24, 2023.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Laura reported with the finishing up of Confirmation, she is grateful for the mentors and all connections that were made. There is an interest in bringing back an after service social hour and potentially a monthly potluck. Council agreed to put the hymn numbers back in the bulletin.

Previous Business

As brought up during the Spring Congregation Meeting, Council decided to bring back the passing of collection plates during worship. There were discussions on how to get the Confirmands involved in the church and possibly creating a high school Sunday school class. It was also discussed that when the youth get their Bibles they would be able to Acolyte.

After speaking with the congregation about the shortfalls of 2023 through April, an anonymous donor approached Chuck Heindrichs and would be willing to take up the monthly shortfall on the \$475 organ pledges. Chuck would reach out on a potentially quarterly basis to this donor.

New Business

The last day to submit call surveys is June 11, 2023. The Call Committee will be sending these to Pastor Mitch and start creating a profile. The Call Committee has also asked for an estimated salary and benefits package for a new pastor. Chuck offered some rough numbers for this package, and Pastor Laura suggested we look into our Sabbatical and Family Leave Policies as part of this.

Mission Partner has been removed from the Giving Envelopes. In December, Council will decide on a Synod pledge. Per the Congregation Meeting, Chuck will be taking nominations for the four benevolence recipients.

There was a wired portable sound system purchased about 9 years ago for The Praise Band, and has been unused for about 7 years. The Praise Band members are no longer members of the church, and the church has no need for this system as it currently uses wireless microphones and speakers.

Motion: To find somewhere in the Synd of LOMO who would want this system.

Motion: Chuck Heindrichs

Motion: Ryan Smarsh

Motion passed.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Chuck Heindrichs

Second: Amy Lodge

Motion passed.

Ryan Smarsh adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Date for the next council meeting will be Monday, July 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Koch
Secretary

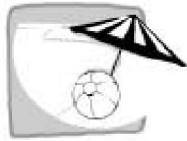
Summer Crossword

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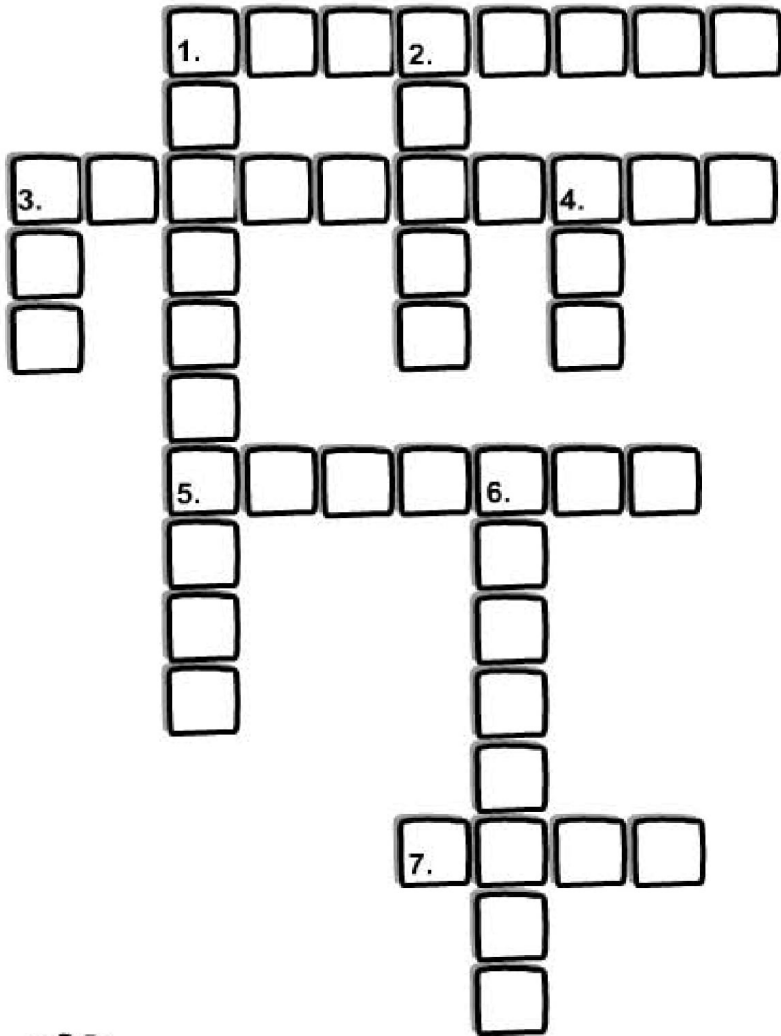
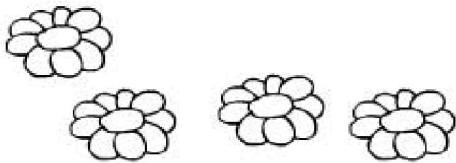
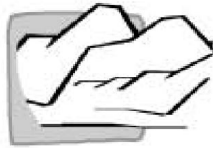
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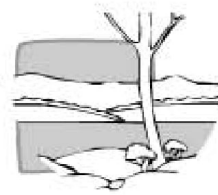
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Congregation News

Class of 2023

✚ Please take a moment to congratulate our class of 2023. **Annelise Klenz**, will attend Northwestern University, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. **Julia Kacenjjar** will attend Ohio State University to study biomedical engineering. **Daniel Lecorchick**, will attend the University of Alabama, majoring Computer Science and Cyber Security. **Ian John Skaggs**, graduated with a Masters in Anesthesia from Case Western Reserve and will be working at Metro Health as an Anesthesiologist Assistant. **Lauren Skaggs**, graduated from Ohio State University in Early Childhood Education. She will be a 4th Grade Teacher in Pataskala, OH this fall. **Nicole (Nordman) Adams**, graduated with a Masters in English and Literature from Minnesota State University and is working for Ohio State University. **Caroline Jantz**, graduated with her undergrad from Ohio State majoring in Strategic Communications. **Riley Jantz**, graduated with his Masters from Ohio State majoring in School Administration. **Ian Crout**, graduated with an Associate of Applied Science in High Performance and Racing Technology, form Ohio Technical College.



Christian Ed News

✚ **VBS was a success!** Thank you to all who helped make this week a great place for kids to lean on God's love and be joyous with one another.



Youth ASP Mission Trip

✚ Our youth and leaders have returned from their annual ASP mission trip. Thank you for all your prayers for their adventure and safe return.



Outreach Event

✚ Calling all CELC family and friends to provide snack bags to the less fortunate children in our community. Please ask Amy or Ryan know what items are still needed. Please let Amy or Ryan know if you are available to help fill bags and/or deliver to CRS. We will look to fill bags the week of July 17th and they need to be delivered to CRS by Friday, 7/21. Thank you in advance for your generosity and don't hesitate to reach out to Amy Lodge or Ryan Smarsh with any questions.



July 2023 Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	3 Office closed	4 Office Closed	5 Office Closed	6	7	1
9 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	10	11	12	13	14	15 <i>Newsletter dead- line</i>
16 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	17 Fill the bags for CRS	18	19	20	21 CRS Delivery	22
23 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	24 Office Closed	25 Office Closed	26 Office Closed	27 Office Closed	28 Office Closed	29
30 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	31	1	2	3	4	5

Assisting Opportunities IN WORSHIP



July 2

Usher: Betsy Floyd
Lector: Laura Knight
Cantor: Sue Frantz
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Steve and Lisa Scheer

July 9

Usher: Brian Knip
Lector: Beth Lecorchick
Cantor: Julie Pressnell
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Counter: Eric Klenz
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Rob Nordman and Dan Ingraham

July 16

Usher: Ryan Smarsh
Lector:
Cantor: Johanna Markko
Live Stream: Ryan Smarsh
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Frank Lee and Brian Knip

July 23

Usher: Eric Mohney
Lector: Tim Gottshall
Cantor: Michelle Young
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Tony Toy and Marty Koch

July 30

Usher: Chip Crout
Lector:
Cantor: Johanna Markko
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Counter: Brenda Crout
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Chuck Heindrichs and Andy Young

August 6

Usher: Betsy Floyd
Lector:
Cantor: Julie Pressnell
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler
Bulletin Folding: Marilyn Culler
Grass: Keith Dils and Eric Yonkof

August 13

Usher: Brian Knip
Lector: Laura Knight
Cantor:
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Counter: Eric Mohney
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler
Bulletin Folding: Marilyn Culler
Grass: Bob Olds and Eric Mohney

August 20

Usher: Ryan Smarsh
Lector:
Cantor: Julie Pressnell
Live Stream: Ryan Smarsh
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler
Bulletin Folding: Marilyn Culler
Grass: Tim Gottshall and Chip Crout

August 27

Usher: Eric Mohney
Lector: Marilyn Culler
Cantor: Sue Frantz
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Counter: Chuck Heindrichs
Altar Care: Marilyn Culler
Bulletin Folding: Marilyn Culler
Grass: Rob Nordman and Dan Ingraham

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Summer Worship Hours

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Church Office News

The church office will be closed July 3-5 and July 24-28. All messages left for the church office will begin to be returned on the next business day the office opens.

