

## Prayer Requests

### Healing and Comfort

Rhoda Giese  
Shirley Nuechterlein  
Dennis Nuechterlein  
Gene Heuton  
Jackie Spiess

### Blessings/Guidance

Richard and Miriam Carter

### Shut in

Corene Diedrich  
2057 Giesmann St.  
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## The Week Ahead

### SUNDAY, November 12

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship  
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship  
Voter's Meeting after late service

### MONDAY, November 13

### TUESDAY, November 14

7:00 P.M. P.P.C

### WEDNESDAY, November 15

7:00 P.M. Open Church

### THURSDAY, November 16

### FRIDAY, November 17

1:30 P.M. Feeding Frogtown @ St. Paul City School

### SATURDAY, November 18

### SUNDAY, November 19

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/ Communion  
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/ Communion

### **Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration**

Nov. 12:

Nov. 13:

Nov. 14: *Emperor Justinian, Christian Ruler and Confessor of Christ*

Nov. 15: Katie Cao, Kaye Nuechterlein, Owen Schonebaum

Nov. 16:

Nov. 17:

Nov. 18:

CELEBRATING



### November contact person: **Judy Brinkman**

Joan & Bill Baker, Gene & Lorraine Byland, Jill Ferrell, Keith & Nicole Horrigan, Allison Johnson, Jeff & Sue Johnson, Xay & Chou Kue, Jon Marschke, Karen & Todd Mohrland, Erica Moore, Annie & Josiah Overfors, Connie Petersen, Bev Piepkorn, Eunice Swenson

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church  
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

November 12, 2017

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost



Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Matthew 25:13

## Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

## Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

## Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

## Connecting Groups & Youth:

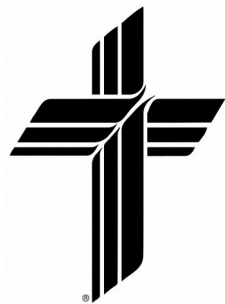
Much more than a Bible Study... come and find true Biblical Relationships. For more info, contact: Megan Huff [meghuff@gmail.com](mailto:meghuff@gmail.com)

## About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

## Sunday Services

Traditional Worship 8:00 AM  
Education Hour 9:15 AM  
Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM  
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.  
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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## November 12 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson  
**Acolytes:** (8:00) Addy Munoz & Ana Thompson  
(10:30) Oliver Bauch & Sebastian Caquelin  
**Caretaker:** (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Rich Culbert  
**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson  
**Communion Assistants:** (8:00) (10:30)  
**Elder:** (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt  
**Greeters:** (8:00) Marie Benson & B.J. Brown  
(10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Candy Pagel  
**Lector:** (8:00) Shelly Novotny (10:30) Katie Miller  
**Music:** (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson Cantor: John Schonebaum  
(10:30) Worship Band  
**Soundboard:** (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Leonard Miller  
**Ushers:** (8:00) Justin Baker, Bruce Karger, Philip Pruess, John Schonebaum  
(10:30) Noah Miller, Jon, Rich, Tarrie Culbert



## Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Jane Sell in honor of daughter-in-law Lisa's birthday on Nov. 14

## Last Week's Contributions:

Current - \$9,096.00	Missions - \$246.00
CLS - \$45.00	Caring & Sharing - \$500.00
Special Thanks - \$5.00	Sunday School - \$49.85
Total - \$9,951.85 <b>(\$6,500 needed weekly)</b>	

## November 19 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson  
**Acolytes:** (8:00)  
(10:30)  
**Caretaker:** (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Admasu Mekonen  
**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson  
**Communion Assistants:** (8:00) Justin Baker, Matt Hanan, Dan Savard  
(10:30) Gene Heuton, Erica Moore  
**Elder:** (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Jerry Spiess  
**Greeters:** (8:00) (10:30)  
**Lector:** (8:00) (10:30)  
**Music:** (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson Cantor:  
(10:30) Worship Band  
**Soundboard:** (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller  
**Ushers:** 8:00  
(10:30)



**Voter's Meeting:** Sunday November 12th, 2017 following 10:30 service. The agenda will include the 2018 budget. We will order pizza and take a free will offering to cover the cost. See you there!

**Do you want to see more potlucks?** Game nights? Fun Fellowship activities? The Parish Life committee is in charge of organizing and promoting these fun times to get together as a congregation. If you are interested in helping out with this committee, please contact Lynn Thompson at [goodluna07@gmail.com](mailto:goodluna07@gmail.com).



**On the third Sunday of each month, our church collects your pocket change for "mites for missions"** in the big mite box in the narthex. Please remember to bring your mite from home or take one with you to fill for next month. These mites go towards mission projects as well as provide assistance to those seeking a Lutheran High School education, assisting seminary students with food/clothing, or help expand outreach to ethnic women and families to name just a few ways that your mites help the LWML reach the world. Thank you for your continued support. ~Women's Ministry~

### **Camp Omega Update**

Camp Omega's goal for their adult/family retreat center was 3.3 million dollars. To date they have raised \$1,920,722 in cash and pledges. That leaves about 1.4 million dollars left to be raised. They are asking those that have made pledges to extend their pledge a year or two if it is at all possible. If you weren't able to make a pledge last year you can still do it this year. If you wish to extend your pledge or make a new one, please call Camp Omega at 507-685-4266 and let them know your intentions.

The Camp is also ready to close on some property behind the dining hall. This land is flat and a design of the retreat center on flat ground could help lower the cost. They are working with a new architect firm and general contractor to see if a new design on flat ground would be practical.

If you have any question you can talk to Eugene Heuton or call him at 651-646-1323.

**Bible Study** today will be in the Fireside Room.

### **Education Hour in November**

November 12th - One of our new neighbors, the International Association for Refugees (IAFR) will be here to talk with us about their mission.

November 19th - The other new neighbor we have, the leaders of Central Village will join us to talk about their work and mission.

November 26th - Bible Study

**Philip Nicolai (1556-1608) was a German Lutheran pastor in Unna, Germany,** during the late sixteenth century. During the time Nicolai served in Unna, the Bubonic plague hit the area during the winter of 1597-1598, taking the lives of over half the population. Nicolai's parsonage overlooked the churchyard where daily burials were taking place; on one day as many as thirty graves were dug. Nicolai wrote a hymn as an encouragement - a statement of faith in the coming of Christ who overcame death on the cross - and who overcomes death for us as well. When this hymn was first published in 1599, Nicolai's title for the original publication reads "A spiritual bridal song of the believing soul concerning Jesus Christ, her Heavenly Bridegroom, founded on the 45th Psalm of the prophet David." Nicolai also wrote the music which accompanies this hymn, which was later refined by Johann Sebastian Bach to make it more singable, a process which also helped popularize it.

"Wake, awake!" would be cried by the watchmen would be on guard against disasters such as fire, flood, or enemy soldiers, alerting citizens to the danger at hand. In this case, "Wake, awake", as sung in our Hymn of the Day (8:00), is a shout of rejoicing as the watchmen awaken the town to greet the Bridegroom - Jesus Christ - who has come to redeem them. The hymn goes on to describe the citizens hearing the watchmen's cries, waking and rejoicing, then on to the heavenly host joining the celebration. Commonly sung during the season of Advent (waiting), it also fits well at the end of the church year when we focus on the "end times".

This tune has been called the "King of Chorales", and in fact many German cities played the tune on their chimes. Nicolai also wrote the hymn often called the "Queen of Chorales" - "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star".

~The Organ Bench~

## Central Lutheran News:

Central Lutheran School Joint Thanksgiving service will be at Emmaus on Tuesday, Nov. 21 starting at 7 P.M. Come together in song, that evening for all the blessings of this past year.

### PRAISE!

The numbers are in and the total fundraising for the 2017 Annual Marathon was \$9,200 - just shy of our \$10,000 goal!

The gymnasium floor has been refinished and a BIG thank you to all of the sponsors from 2017!

If you or your group would like to make a matching donation to this event please contact Mrs. Wegner in the school office at 651-645-8649.

### EVENTS!

Upper Wing Dinner Theater – “Heroes: Unmasked”

When: November 17th @ 6:00PM for Dinner and the Show

Where: Central Lutheran School Gymnasium

Tickets: Adults \$10.00

Seniors (65+) and Kids (under 10) \$8.00

Volunteers Free Admission

### HELP WANTED!

Please consider getting involved and volunteering at the school! Current opportunities include:

5-8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach

Social Media Specialist

Kitchen/Wait Staff for the Dinner Theater

**Please join CLS for their 45th Annual Pancake Breakfast Sunday, December 3, 2017, 9 am - 1 pm.** Free Will Donation. We will be serving pancakes with many yummy toppings, sausages, coffee, milk, and orange juice!

While you are there, you will be able to shop at our Scholastic Book Fair, win a door prize in our hourly drawings and partake in our first Cookie Walk. Buy a bucket and fill it up with many delicious homemade cookies to enjoy at home!

We are looking for volunteers to make this event a success and there are many ways that you can help. Bake a few dozen cookies to donate to the Cookie Walk, flip some pancakes for your friends or come and help us set up! Here is a link to the sign-up page or call the school office to volunteer.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094eaea29a20-central>

## Altar Guild Volunteer Opportunities

Set up for communion:

\* Fill individual cups, change parament's colors and banners as needed. Dust alter and check if sanctuary is neat, i.e. leftover service programs left in pews, etc. This is usually done on Saturdays. On Sunday place bread, chalice, flagon, individual cups on altar along with linens. Check supplies between services and clean up after late service.

\* Laundry:

Wash altar linens as needed, remove any stains, iron. Wash and repair as needed communion assistant's robes and acolyte robes ( these need constant work since they are old and the kids are tough on them.

\* Wash pastor's robe as needed.

\* Confirmation robes:

Fit robes, do any alterations necessary, wash and iron in time for pictures. These robes are also getting old.

\* Flowers:

Order and pay for weekly flowers and Easter flowers. We have 2 dedicated workers doing this at this time.

\* Do a thorough clean of sanctuary twice a year, treating pews to lengthen their lives.

\* Fill candles with oil.

\* Care and maintenance of banners.

Families are welcome to volunteer together. Youth under 21 welcome with an adult. If you're interested in joining the Altar Guild or just volunteering for one of these jobs contact Sue Kressin 651-698-8778.