

JUNE 2019

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church



Mission Statement
A Community Gathered in
Christ, Fed by God's Word,
Sent to Serve...



June 2019

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Sunday Evening Worship Continues This Summer

Sunday evening worship continues all summer long at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday. Meals prior, and education after, are on break for the summer.

Sunday evening worship in the summer is about a half hour long in a less formal style than Sunday mornings. It includes the sermon, prayers, confession and Holy Communion. If you can't make it to worship Sunday mornings, we will save you a seat Sunday nights!



Summer Direct Deposit: Guilt Free Offerings

Are you away a lot in the summer? You're in good company. While you are away doing various things in the summer, you can continue your regular offerings with Summer Only direct deposit offerings. You can take advantage of Direct Deposit for three months, knowing that you will not fall behind in supporting the ministry of your church. Simply fill out one of the yellow Direct Deposit cards on the back of the seats in the sanctuary or in the Narthex. Or, just email Sandy at office@coslc.com



Calling all Cyclists!!!

Let's pick a date and bike together on the Bugline Trail. Adults, kids, and families are all welcome to join in the fun! Open to all levels of bike riders. More information to come...



Welcome New Members

On Sunday, May 19th we were blessed to have received new members into our congregation. Be sure to introduce yourself and welcome them to Christ Our Savior. Their pictures are posted on the New Member Board.

Brad & Cindy Anderson with Nora and Maya
Peg Berry
Rebecca & Matthew Skidmore
Leah Reynolds with Autumn Phillips
Carla & Lucas Fabian with Isabella
Michelle Nichols with Hannah and Connor



ELCA National Churchwide Assembly to be Held in Milwaukee

August 5-10

Our national church body, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) holds a nationwide assembly (convention) every three years. Our local Greater Milwaukee Synod is hosting the event. Delegates from all 65 synods across the US will be coming to Milwaukee for five days to deliberate and vote on important matters for our church body now and into the future. There will be roughly 1500 delegates coming.

In order to help make sure the assembly works well and all delegates have a good experience, our synod is seeking helpers from all 120 of our local congregations to serve in various ways from greeting delegates at Mitchell Airport, serving at hospitality centers, assisting with seating at meals, ushering at worship services, and much more. If you want to see how our national ELCA Assembly works, see our church in action and help delegates have the best experience possible, you can find out more [here](#) or get in touch with Amy amy@coslc.com



W.o.W. (Worship on Wednesday) is Almost Here!!!

Save the dates:
Wednesday, June 19th
Wednesday, July 24th
Wednesday, August 21st

Once again, we'll be having our midweek summer worship service & evening activities. This family fun event will be once on month on Wednesday evenings: June 19th, July 24th, and August 21st.

A typical evening will look like this:
Let's Play (5:00-5:30 p.m.) Bring your little ones to play while connecting with other parents. Friendly kid activities geared for toddlers will be set up outside.



Dinner (5:30-6:30 p.m.) We're having a cookout! Brats & Hot Dogs will be provided. Sign-up online to bring veggies, fruit, chips, salads, and desserts. In addition, we are looking for someone willing to grill, and a few others to help lend a hand with set-up & clean-up.



Worship (6:30-7:00 p.m.) Bring your own lawn chair or blanket as we'll be having a causal worship service outside on the north lawn. Little ones enjoy coloring with chalk while grown-ups listen to the message. We'll even be singing fun camp songs to the guitar that engage people of all ages!



Campfire (7:00-8:30 p.m.) Stay after worship to relax by the campfire while enjoying a few roasted marshmallows or a S'more and sharing in fellowship time with each other.



You are welcome to come for part or all of the time! We hope that you will join us!



Worship Assistant Volunteers

Open spots are available over the summer! Worship Assistants, don't forget to occasionally check SignUpGenius and fill in the open spots over the summer as your schedule allows. We appreciate your dedication and the time you spend serving as a worship assistant. If you would like to become part of the worship assistant team, contact Amy Berken at amy@coslc.com.



Adopt-a-Garden

We have about 12 garden and flower beds around our church that need occasional weeding and care throughout the summer months and into early fall. Each area is small in size, so commitment is only 1-2 hours per month. We invite you and your family to adopt a garden to help keep our property looking top notch!! Adopt your garden plot on the poster in the narthex. If you have questions contact Amy at amy@coslc.com.



Lawn Mowers Sign-up Now Available

It's riding mower season! We have a couple of great riding lawn mowers maintained by Schroeder Implement. All we need are people to ride them once a week. We divide the lawn into front and back halves, each one takes about 1 1/2 hours to cut. Sign up for dates on SignUpGenius on our website under volunteer or in the narthex on the signup sheet. Contact Amy Berken at amy@coslc.com if you have any questions.



Memorials

Memorial Fund

Memorial gifts are not limited to memorials given in conjunction with a funeral or memorial service. Memorial gifts often recognize departed loved ones at any appropriate time of the year. Celebratory gifts may be given to honor a significant family event such as a birthday, anniversary, graduation, confirmation, or similar milestone.



Christ Our Savior's Memorial Team keeps track of financial gifts given to honor the memory of a departed loved one. These gifts are acknowledged each month in the COS Newsletter. Historically, undesignated memorial gifts were transferred, by the COS Treasurer, to an investment fund managed by the ELCA. This fund was intended to be available to provide grants for COS needs not able to be met within the annual budget. Fund grant withdrawals required Memorials Team agreement based on appropriateness of intended purpose.

Christian Youth Activity Support

Historically, a popular gift designation has been the support of Christian Youth activity. This fund category within the ELCA Fund was specifically identified by the Memorials Team's tracking documentation as the Sandra Johnson Youth Fund. Uses of these gifts have supported youth participation in Christian youth experiences. Included in the past have been to assist youth attendance at Lutherdale Bible Camp and the summer mission trips.

Memorials For Outreach

Memorials have also been given for specific immediate needs, such as outreach or mortgage reduction. These gifts are immediately put to use for these designated purposes.

Memorial Gifts Last Month

In Memory of Jon A. Krause:

From: Sam & Dennis Mayek

In Memory of Dave Schroeder:

From: Dale & Christine Lutze

Other Forms Of Memorial Giving

Purchase of worship needs for a specific Sunday. These include such needs as altar flowers, candles. Signup sheets and pre-printed giving envelopes are available for these purposes on the narthex wall near the Busy Bags. These memorials are supportive of weekly worship, and will be acknowledged in Sunday bulletins.

How Do I Submit My Memorial Or Celebratory Gift?

Gifts may be placed in the Sunday service offering plate or handed in to the church office. Please submit in an envelope with a note to identify it as a memorial/celebratory gift, and who is being remembered. Please also indicate if the gift is to be designated for one of the above noted special purposes.

Thrivent \$\$ to Benefit COS Ministries

Thank you to everyone who filled out applications for Thrivent Action Teams! Every application receives a \$250 gift card that allows the church to cover some of the startup costs of projects, events, or ministries at Christ Our Savior.

Thrivent Action Teams for June/July/August: Middle School Youth Minneapolis Mission Trip Brat Fry (Jason Schiller), High School Youth St Louis Mission Trip Brat Fry (Laurie Ostlick), VBS (Sandy Hollnagel). If you are a Thrivent policy holder of any amount, you can do this, too!!!

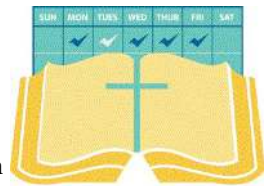
Thrivent Action Team gift cards are needed for additional summer ministries. If you want to learn more, or would like to fill out an application, please contact Amy at amy@coslc.com.



Serendipity Bible Study

Meets Once a Month During Summer
2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

The Serendipity Bible Study will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. This month we meet on Tuesday, June 11th.

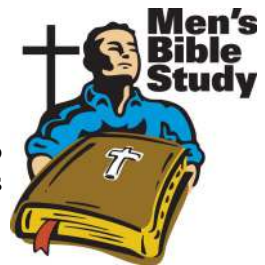


Evening
Bible Studies

Men's Breakfast

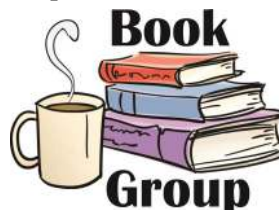
3rd Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

The Men's breakfast has moved to Wednesday mornings. This month's meeting will be on April 17th.



Wednesday Book Group

The Wednesday Book Group will be taking a break over the summer, but will be meeting a few times for fellowship and to select a book for the fall. If you are interested in joining the Wednesday Book Group, or would like more information, contact Gail Conrad at gram-mygbc@gmail.com or (262) 820-1573.



Youth & Education

Roar! Life Is Wild God is Good

July 8-11th, 2019, from 12:00–4:00 p.m.

This is geared toward children who have completed 4K–3rd grade. Those students that have completed 4th and 5th grades can register for the “God Squad” which are leaders in training. Youth who have completed 6th grade through adults can sign up to volunteer.



There is a suggested cost of \$10 per child with a family max of \$25 for 3 or more children.

We will begin each day with a kid friendly lunch and then spend the afternoon singing, playing, crafting, eating and praying! Registration is \$10 per child with a \$25 family maximum with 3 children or more.

Invite your friends and neighbors!!

For planning purposes, we do ask that you complete a VBS registration form.

Registration Forms

2019 VBS – [Kids Registration Form](#)
(Kids who have completed 4K-3rd grade.)

2019 VBS – [God Squad Registration Form](#)
(Students who have completed 4th or 5th grade.)

2019 VBS – [Crew Leader Registration Form](#)
(Students who have completed 6th grade thru adult.)

Questions? Email kim@coslc.com.

Youth Mission Trip Scholarships

The youth are in need of scholarships for Summer Mission Trips. We are looking to raise \$6,175 so we can provide scholarships for youth from Hephatha and COS, and to cover the cost for 10 Adult leaders. You do not have to cover a full scholarship of \$325. Any amount would be great! Blue envelopes are available in the Narthex. As always, Thanks so much for supporting our young people! If you have questions, please contact Kim Lewin at kim@coslc.com



Graduation Sunday

For any or all graduating High School seniors please join us at a service of your choice 8:30, 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. service.



Prayer Partners Needed

Prayer Partners are needed for the June 15-21 mission trip to St. Louis and for the trip to Minneapolis July 13-19th. If you would like to be a prayer partner for a youth or an adult please contact Kim Lewin at kim@coslc.com.



Youth Brat Fry

Come and eat for Jesus! Sunday, June 2nd and July 7th! from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Help our youth get to St. Louis and Minneapolis!



Community Fun Day

Saturday, June 2nd, 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

This is a free event for the entire family and will be held at Sussex Village Park. There will be games, prizes, bounce house, face painting, music and more! Plan to stop by and support SOS! This is their biggest and main fundraiser for the year.



Mission Partners

Serenity Inn

Tuesday, June 18th

Our next service date is Tuesday, June 18th. Kris Pena is making the main course, but we could use help with making a side dish or dessert. Also, if you would like to be one of our volunteers to serve the meal, please sign up on the outreach board. We serve a healthy meal to the 12 residents at Serenity Inn, plus volunteers. Typical evening: leave COS at 5:00 p.m., eat around 6pm, and return by 7:30 p.m. Experience how sharing a meal with the men in recovery has not only a positive impact on them, but on you, too!



Contacts: Kris Pena
kkjpena20688@gmail.com

Garden Share Time!

It's time to start sharing what you are growing in your gardens! Lettuce, early tomatoes, cukes, etc – whatever you have, that you can spare. Bring it to church and place it on the garden share table. Those who want it can take what they want and leave a donation. All proceeds will help support the Running Strong Youth program at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.



Cross Challenge Grant Matches 100%

One of our members has again generously committed to match everything the rest of us give to support the ministry of Bread of Healing at Cross Lutheran at 16th and Fond du lac in Milwaukee. If you want to take advantage of this generous opportunity to double your support, simply include a note in the memo portion of a check or use one of the envelopes at church.



Pine Ridge Work Adult Camp

August 11-17

The annual work trip to Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota will be August 11-17. Workers from 5-6 different churches join Worldwide Hunger Relief in doing home repair at Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Projects typically include building ADA decks, window and door repair or replacement, some minor plumbing and other home maintenance issues.



Residents at Pine Ridge are among the lowest income in the nation and have few resources, virtually no employment options and a half day round trip to get any hardware or building supplies.

Workers bring their own tools, air mattresses or cots to stay in a large facility. Cost is \$200 which covers food for the week. Workers are responsible for their own transportation, often carpooling. If you are interested, you can get more info from Brian Lubnow bdlubnow@gmail.com or Pastor Tom.

Facebook

Like us on Facebook to keep updated on what's happening at Christ Our Savior. See the latest posts with pictures and receive reminders of events that you don't want to miss. It's a great way to stay connected!



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