# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

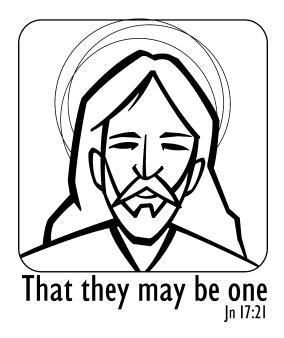
<b>Today</b> 8:45 10:00 11:15 4:00	MOTHERS DAY Sunday school Worship with communion Coffee & Fellowship Story of God	Sunday, May 22 — Joe Rystrom preaching; potluck meal following worship Secrets of the Blue Pig  May 25—Wednesday @ the Firepit, 6 p.m.
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Monday, May 9 6 p.m. Experiencing God		May 30 — Memorial Day (office closed)
7 p.m.	Walk & Talk at Skyview Lake School of Prayer	June 1 — June 15 CTS in charge of Norfolk Food Pantry
Tuesday, May 10		Saturday, June 4 — Women of CTS
7:00	Worship committee meeting	Annual Meeting/Elections
<b>Wedne</b> 6:00 7:30	esday, May 11 Faith paper presentations and meal Youth group	<b>Sunday, June 5</b> — Installation of new board members/commissioning of ministry teams Spirit-led worship at 6 p.m.
Thursday, May 12 9:00 Agape Circle 6:30 WWO/VP3		Friday-Saturday, June 10-11 Christian Cross Festival
	May 13	<b>Sunday, June 12</b> —Acolyte training after worship <i>Thrivent one-hour workshop</i>
6:30	Movie Night/Parents Date Night	June 12-17—Confirmation Camp
Saturday, May 14 Fellowship hall reserved (graduation party)		Sunday, June 19 — Fathers Day
Next Sunday, May 15 PENTECOST		<b>June 27-30</b> — Day Camp
	Sunday school Worship with communion; baptism;	Saturday, July 2 — Big Bang Boom
11:15	nation; senior quilt presentation Coffee & Fellowship	Monday, July 4 — Church office closed

# Praise God for our Worship Servants and Staff

Pastor Steve Lund Pianist—Becky Bahnfleth Pastor Matt Bahnfleth Cajon—John Lund Worship Leader—Emily Svitak Greeters—Steve Morton and Jo Roberts Sound Booth—Brian Anderson Ushers—Richard and Deb Olson Membership Care—Mary Lund, Shirley Theil Acolytes—Colin Broders, Zachary Cordner Altar Guild—Jo Roberts, Linda Miller Lector—Lu Carter Communion Bread—Doris Hoffart Communion—Michelle & Micheyla Anderson Parish Nurse—Linda Miller Coffee—Arlynn and Sharon Boelman Administrative Assistant—Kathy Rogers Offering—Nell Finkral, Louise Skoglund

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMC

May 8, 2016 10:00 a.m. Worship 7th Sunday of Easter



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# Christ the Servant is a community of people who are CALLED by God, TRANSFORMED by the Holy Spirit, and

**TRANSFORMED** by the Holy Spirit, and **SENT** into the world.

# WELCOME TO CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are so glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We hope you feel welcome as we strive to serve and strengthen each other in faith toward God and in love toward all. If you are a guest, please sign our guest book at the visitor center and fill out a visitor card before you leave. Join us after worship for coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall.

# WHAT IS LCMC?

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ is an association of 856 congregations and individuals who are free in Christ, accountable to one another, rooted in the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, and working together to fulfill Christ's Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations.

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We gather for one worship time on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. On the 1st and 3rd Sundays we follow the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) with a liturgy and hymns on the organ. On the 2nd and 4th Sundays we follow the format of our contemporary service with piano, guitar and contemporary songs.

# HOLY COMMUNION

We follow the practice of open communion at Christ the Servant. All who are baptized and believe Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior are invited to share the Lord's Supper. White grape juice is available in the middle of each tray. If you are unable to come forward, please inform one of the ushers.

# Announcements, Joys, and Concerns

Announcements can be found at the back of this bulletin. If you have a concern for the Pastors, contact the church office. If you are having difficulty hearing today's service, stop by the sound booth to check out a personal hearing device to use during worship.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Happy Mother's Day! Today's altar flowers are given by Duane and Shirley Theil in loving memory of their mothers.

**Today we welcome** three people from our Infant Childcare Center: Jessi Sherman (director); Lauren Childress and Athena (teen mom and infant); and Rita Rudolph (volunteer). They will briefly share how the childcare center has affected their lives and how the ministry serves a vital role in our community.

**Sign up for** altar flowers for birthdays, anniversaries and other special occasions. The Flower Chart is on the office door; the office will order the flowers, and you will be billed by the Village Flower Shoppe. One bouquet will be ordered unless otherwise specified. Each bouquet is \$10.75.

**HELP WANTED:** Two people to count offerings the 4th Sunday of each month. To volunteer, contact the church office.

**Sign up for** "Secrets of the BLUE PIG," a fun, learning-filled afternoon for parents and children on **Sunday**, **May 22** (lunch after worship, session until 2:30). Each child will take home a Blue Pig. Space is limited to 12 children along with a parent.

**Due to the** Memorial Day holiday, there will be no 5th Monday WILD CARD on May 30.

**THIS MONTH** we are introducing a new worship style, "Now the Feast and Celebration," which we will use throughout the month of June. We will introduce and practice parts of it from 9:50 to 10:00 before worship in May.

Hope for Our Heroes! Just \$25 provides a Military BibleStick for one of the Troops who protect our nation and preserve our freedoms. Each service member who receives a Military BibleStick can request a free Audio New Testament or Kids Bible for family back home. Thanks for giving a life-changing gift to the Troops!

**Kitchen Fundraisers:** Village Pie Maker orders will be taken through May 31st; pies can be picked up at the church on Sunday, June 12, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Order forms and instructions are in the fellowship hall. Also, "Best of Country Cookies" cookbooks are now available for \$9.99. Make checks payable to Christ the Servant Kitchen Fund. Questions? Contact Louise Skoglund (379-4268) or Joan Falke (664-3057).

Happy Birthday			
Robert Beed	May 9		
Ella Sheppard	May 9		
Dale Bittner	May 11		
Josh Bahnfleth	May 12		
Fern Zechmann	May 12		
Linda Cyboron	May 15		
Louise Skoglund	May 15		

# PRAYER CONCERNS

If you have a prayer request, please notify the church office or a Pastor so the prayer chain can be initiated (after hours contact Linda Miller, 402-649-1943). If you would like to be part of the Prayer Chain Ministry, contact the church office for the policy and confidentiality form.

#### Bereavement

Wanda Muhs and family — God's peace and comfort following the death of her sister, Sandra Carlson.

#### Health

Susie Lutz recovering from foot surgery

Gary Weich recovering from knee surgery

Connie Atkinson recovering at home

Leonard Zechmann recovering at home

Susan Thompson at home

Galen Thompson good results from treatments for cancer return

Phyllis Raschke in hospice at Valhaven Care Center, 300 West Meigs Street, room 101, Valley, NE 68064

#### Ministries We Lift in Prayer

Ted and Alicia Smith, Jack, Wyatt, Owen and Emma, Coram Deo, Omaha

Chris and Kristin Hruska, Paxton and Lucy, Citylight Church, Omaha

#### Military

PFC Cody Shaffer, Fairbanks, Alaska

#### Missions

Aaron and Anna Cyboron and their ministry in China

Brandon and Annemarie Cyboron partnering with Timothy Initiative in Florida Joe Rystrom with YWAM in Hong Kong (at CTS on May 22)

Jared and Sau Man Weich with Shanti Ministry in Hong Kong

#### Other

Sunday School students and teachers

Bible study and sermons on Acts 1-12

Teen Moms Infant Childcare Ministry

Lifelong Learning & Living Team and Youth & Family Ministry

Vibrant Faith for all ages

Msaranga Mandaka Lutheran Parish, Tanzania

Pray for All Nations (brochure on table)

New Mission and Ministry teams

New board members

Confirmands — Confirmation Sunday (Kelcie Hall, Ethan Olson)

High School Graduate — Brandon Jones

# **Health Ministry Weekly Tip**

Benefits of exercise: Reduces body fat, increases lifespan, oxygenates the body.

# A Community Who is CALLED

"CALLED by God into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ"

# Opening Praise Medley

"Glory to God"

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

#### Confession and Forgiveness

All: Lord, our God, we have lived in darkness for too long. We have built walls of isolation so high that the sun no longer is visible. We have a fortress of protection so complete that the sun cannot penetrate. We have stumbled down dark alleys in search of real meaning. God of light and life—illuminate the rooms of our life with Your light—and draw us closer to You. Forgive the sin which separates us and allow us to live lives of freedom and acceptance. Amen

Worship Leader: Our God is Light and in God is real life. Our God has brightened our days with real hope and exposed every dark corner of our life with true forgiveness. The Light of life is Christ Jesus, God's Son, who died on a cross and rose in resurrected glory to give life to a dying world. Through Jesus, we can live in daily relationship with our Creator and know the joy of hope for eternity. Praise God for light and life.

# Opening Prayer

"Here I Am to Worship"

Sharing of the Peace

<u>Infant Childcare Interview</u>
Jessi Sherman, Lauren Childress and Rita Rudolph

Children's Message

# A Community Who is TRANSFORMED!

"TRANSFORMED by the power of the Holy Spirit, resulting in changed lives"

<u>Scriptures</u>

 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
 New Testament
 pew Bible pg. 260

 Acts 9:3-9; 15-20
 New Testament
 pew Bible pg. 127

"Alleluia, alleluia ..." Now the Feast

Gospel
John 17:20-26

New Testament pew Bible pg. 111

<u>Message</u>
"Converted"
Pastor Steve Lund

Apostles' Creed

Offering

Offertory

"As the Grains of Wheat"

Now the Feast

The Lord's Supper

Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer The Distribution

We will be communing continuously this morning.

Come and receive the bread and wine.

A blessing will follow once everyone communing has been served.

If you prefer grape juice, please take the clear juice in the middle of the tray.

Post-Communion Blessing

# A Community Who is SENT

"SENT into the world to serve in Jesus' Name"

Prayers of the People

Closing Song
"Amazing Grace"

Blessing

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Let all God's people say:

C: Amen!

"Alleluia"

We depart in peace.

As you worshipped today, what did the Holy Spirit speak to you?

- 1. What was the most meaningful statement, scripture or song you heard, read or sang today which the Holy Spirit has revealed to you?
- 2. Reword the above statement, scripture or song into a prayer of response to God (use a prayer of intercession to the Holy Spirit).
- 3. What does God want you to do in response to today's worship service? (your Plan of Action this coming week):