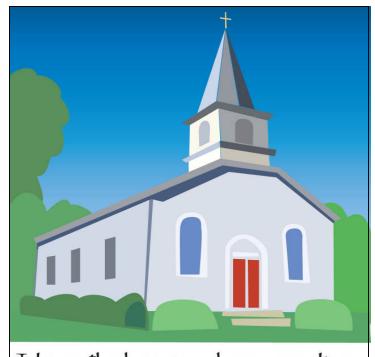
## Life Together at Christ's United Lutheran Church





I love the house where you live, O LORD, the place where your Glory dwells.

Psalm 26:8, NIV

Join us for Worship -Saturday 5:00 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.



# Christ's United Lutheran Church

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**October 7, 2012** 



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

One little, two little, three little Indians... This little piggy went to market, this little piggy...



Pastor Kim

#### Remember?

Counting games that parents played with us when we were little, and we played with our little ones. Fun and humorous ways to learn to count that would have the child laughing, asking for more.

These memories of counting and laughing fill my head as I drive through the county, feeling the cooler air and seeing the colors peeping through the trees, leaves starting to blow in the air in a graceful dance before bowing to the ground.

It is beautiful, and just the opportunity to see it overwhelms me with a feeling of blessing. With a quick prayer of thanks God speaks, and tells me to look around, while those old poetic games start running through my head. "Count your blessings", a phrase common in years past, appears before me once again.

My head spins as I think of the beauty I am witnessing; the joy of ministry with you, people of Christ's United; my family and friends; Heinrich's nose on the edge of the table rolling his eyes up at me; the opportunities to meet and work with people... the realization of the number of blessings floods my mind and heart, tears flow from my eyes, as I smile and laugh feeling God's arms cradling me...

One little, two little, three little Indians...

This little piggy went to market, this little piggy...

Remember? Open your heart, and look around. Let your soul and mind be flooded with the realization of the blessings that surround you. See and feel the gifts that touch every part of your life, see your

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life – the breath of God that fills your lungs, the blood that courses through the body, the life – of God, within you. Count your blessings, and see the arms of God cradling you.

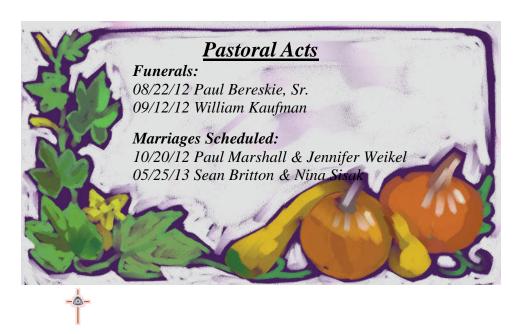
Then, just as the rhymes were shared with us and we in turn, shared them with others, let us share the blessing we were given. With your heart full, your eyes wet, your smile formed, give back. Like the thank you notes, the hugs and kisses, the squeals of delight of our childhood, let us show our appreciation for the gifts we have been given by giving back to the One who gave to us.

"Whatever you did for the least of these, you did for me" (Matthew 25:45)

The opportunities for us to give thanks to God are as great as the blessings we receive. Worship, food pantry, Jared boxes, Sunday School, World Hunger, service projects, Bible studies - the list goes on and on –

Will you?

Peace,
Pastor Kim



#### **Church Council Highlights from September**

- Extenders need to be built/purchased to raise the holding tank for the nitrate system.
- New music has been purchased for the choir.
- All committees need to pay close attention to their individual budgets and include a discussion of budget and expenses in their scheduled meetings.
- The Social Ministry committee will hold a "Make-a-Difference" Day project on October, 27.
- WELCA paid to have the choir gowns dry cleaned.
- WELCA recommend that paid servers be used for our Anniversary celebration by "A Matter of Taste".
- WELCA & LCM will share the cost of the Anniversary meal and there will also be a free will offering to help cover costs.
- Jen Johnson has agreed to be the chair of the Endowment Fund committee.
- Our contract with Direct Energy remains in effect until 2014.
- Sandy Marlow will be resigning as indoor custodian at the end of the year.
- Due to family issues, Erik has requested that he may need some time off without pay. If anyone is able to help answer phones in the office, please speak with the pastor or Erik.
- Gail Halye has been unable to serve as council secretary due to ongoing health issues, Melanie Bendinsky has agreed to serve as acting secretary for the remainder of the year.
- The Stewardship committee is working on a program to help members better understand the financial needs of the church.

# Status of Accounts Balance in Checking Account Negative \$931.35 Investment Fund #55 \$25,000.00 Investment Fund #73 \$25,000.00 Memorial Account \$24,738.95 Benevolence Gifts \$13,572.00 (66% of our Benevolence goal of \$20,600.00)



#### WELCA News

#### Schuylkill Cluster Fall Event

Friedens Lutheran Church, Hegins October 13, 2012 8:30 - 12:00



Program Theme: Sacred Spaces Rev. Peggy Sue Pfeffer is leading Bible study Register before October 1 Cost: \$7.00 - lunch included

There is an American Eagle Outfitters man's winter jacket, size Large, on the coat rack in the narthex. It has been here since last winter and is still here waiting for the owner to take it home. Please come and claim it or it will be donated to our clothing Give-Away. Thank you.





# 20th Anniversary Celebration

In December 2012 it will be 20 years since we first dedicated our church building on Airport Road. Church council, along with the Worship & Music committee, agreed that this was indeed a worthy milestone and we should celebrate it with a re-dedication. A committee of 11 people was chosen to plan this special event.

#### Saturday, October 6 Communion Service 4:00 p.m. Dinner 5:30 p.m.

#### **Entertainment:**

<u>During Dinner</u>—Clips from some of the talent shows done by members of CULC in the early 1990's.

<u>After Dinner</u>—Rick Lorady Group

#### **Tickets: FREE**

(The tickets are being issued so we can determine how many to prepare for. Please see Connie Welker to get yours.)

We hope that all members of Christ's United will plan to attend this memorable event in our church's history!



#### October Birthdays

- 6 Tammy Buhay
- 7 Forrest Shadle
- 10 Melanie Bendinsky Barry Martin
- 11 Dylan BuhayDanielle White
- 13 Jessica Boyer Aidan Lazor Mia Burke
- 14 Anna Neumeister Kelsey Neumeister
- 15 Brandon Hood
  Nicole Hood
  DruAnn Laudermilch
  Connor Hoover

- Happy Birthday!
- 17 Terry Neumeister
  Autumn Peifer
- 18 Ryan Walter
- 19 Judy Fritz
  Sandy Miller
  Maryann Wolfgang
- 22 Connie Welker
- 24 James Conrath
- Donna WallaceCarrie HummelGrayson Sharp
- October Anniversaries

10/05/02	Michael & Donna Lassen
10/11/97	John & Maryann Wolfgang
10/13/84	Joseph & Barbara Anczarski
10/13/56	Jack & Frieda Johnson
10/16/76	Dennis & Tina Wolfe
10/22/05	Dean & Tammy Lesher
10/25/80	Gregg & Lois Sterling
10/29/11	Wesley & Kelly Long
10/30/10	Jeremy & Katie Knorr





#### **A Letter from Church Council**

Dear Friends.

We are very blessed at Christ's United! We have a well maintained and beautiful facility and our church family is very active, serving in many ministries that share the goodness of our Lord. Our daily calendar is packed with activities, and with activities come expenses. Like many families, our church family is also feeling the effects of the increasing cost of living. For the first time in a very long time, there is a deficit in our General Fund as we not only try to maintain existing programs and ministries but also look for ways to reach out to our membership and beyond.

Council has discussed several options to address this, the first step being to make you – the congregation – aware of our situation. By no means do we want to limit our activity: we want to continually reach out in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We turn to you now asking for support- your presence in worship, service, and fellowship; your prayers that Christ's United may continue to thrive; and your financial contributions, which will help to assure our ongoing work as Christ's body in this little corner of the world.

Our community is not complete without you. Please join us for worship any Saturday at 5:00 P.M. or Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Your participation is valued. Let's find out how we can grow as CHRIST'S disciples and invite all to be UNITED in His love.

Your Partners in Ministry,

Dean Fetterolf, Vice President The Rev. Dr. Kim Lengert, Pastor

Melanie Bendinsky, Acting Secretary Ann Marie Dillman, Treasurer

Jim Chappell Jim Gruber
Nancy Lindenmuth Deb Price
Terry Shilling Lois Sterling





#### Joyful Worship!

Dan Krynak is interested in learning the talents Christ's United has to offer to God through the gift of music. Anyone who may be interested in sharing their instrumental talents with us should contact Dan either after service on Sunday or call Dan at 717-364-7003. Any instruments would be welcomed to aid in the joyful celebration of our weekly services. From harmonicas to percussion, violins to accordions. Most immediately, we need flautists for a choral anthem that will be shared very soon.

Additionally, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Feel free to leave your information there. Let us bring forth joyful music to our worship celebrations.

Thanks to all! Dan



#### We Offer our Prayers to...

#### Those recently added to our Prayer List...

Jack Houser, Allen Johnson, Sr., Cameron Hemmingson, Justin Cramer, Brittany Harhigh, Judy Horan

#### Please Continue to Pray for...

Scott Hoffman, Adda Miller, Audrey & Fred Pillman, Bill Griffiths, Glenn Pennypacker, Terry Halye, Irene Morgan, Melissa Byers, Joe Lentowski, Ashland Area Ministerium, Jim Hepler, Robert Rock, Barb Anczarski, Beryl Kubik, Natalie Tracy, Carol Guistwite, Alexis



Schmidt, Emma Fishburn, Brenda Wolfgang, Catherine Tenedios, Howard & Catherine Beury, Sharon Kostura, Devon Fowler, Carol Brennan, Beverly Fetterolf, Herman Wagner, Skip Raabe, Eileen Lindenmuth, Donald Kerestes, Robert Welker, EvaAnn Barkafski, David Major, Joseph Roshannon, Barbara Nelson, Judy Gross, Brandon Harris, Heather Fetterolf, Linda Zerby, Carol (Cook) Brennan, Margaret Huhn, Nancy Shuey, Bob Lynn, Elaine Wallace, Joel Ruscavage, Sonya Oldland, Fred Herb III, Melanie Alt, Steven Hall, Shirley Zaharick, Bob Foose, Jennifer Coch, Gerry Dillman, Jean Cress, Carrie Houser, Pete Waldick, Megan Geise, Emily Brennan, Marie & Harry Lengert, Alyssa Burnham, Kayla Heim, Kelly & Bud Crosby, Dot Zeigenfuse, Gail Halye, Jeff Maurer, Ruth Wolfgang, Faye Geist, Deanna Frantz, Nada Matthews, Frank Pytak, Gail Spleen, Esther Gribbin, Jane Metzinger, Mary Donton, Joan & Fred Echevarria, Tanya Stravinsky, Leo Young, Ann Snyder, Judy Young, Joan Skiba

Please call the Church Office (875-1591)...

...if you or a relative are admitted to a hospital, ...if your phone number or address change, or ...if you have a prayer concern.

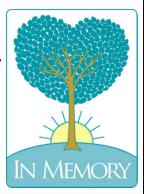
Thank you for helping us to serve you better. The church office hours are Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## The following Memorials were given to Christ's United since the issue of the last Newsletter:

\$30.00 in Memory of Paul Bereskie, Sr. by: Al, Cathy & Alfie Bronakowski Walukiewicz-Oravitz Fell Funeral Home

\$15.00 in Memory of Paul Bereskie, Sr. for the Mortgage by:

Ron & Donna Wallace





My heartfelt thanks to everyone for all the cards, visits, prayers, phone calls and good wishes while I was in the hospital. Now that I am home, I'll return to church as soon as I possibly can.

Again, Thank you all Gail Halye

Dear Members of C.U.L.C.,

Thank you so much for your cards, prayers, and all acts of kindness that you showed to our family during the recent loss of our father and grandfather, Paul Bereski.

Anczarski & Bereski families

Many thanks to Pastor Hoenich for being our special worship leader and preacher on Harvest Home Sunday. It was a joy to have you home!



# WHO ARE These People???



Each month we have a different picture from long ago. See if you can guess who some or all of the people in the picture are. The answers will be in next months "Life Together" Newsletter.

Answers for the September edition "Who are these people??" - Left to Right: First Row: Kimberly Shadle, Christopher Dillman, Mindy Troutman. Second Row: Tara Scheuren, Richard Knorr, Rev. Kenneth Gould, Jennifer Brain, Jessica Boyer. Confirmation 1997



# - SYNOD NEWS -

The Spirit of Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

October 2012

# Jesus Calls Us ...To Action October 20, 2012; 9 AM to 3:30 PM Bern Lutheran Church, Leesport

Jesus Calls Us. A good, old hymn, right? Ah, yes, but so much more! Jesus does call us to continue his work, but just what is that, and how do we do it?

On October 20, Lutherans from Northeastern Pennsylvania will gather at Bern Lutheran Church, Leesport, to explore the answers with one another and be empowered to take what they learn back to their home congregations.

Jesus Calls Us – to Action is the third in a series of social ministry advocacy workshops in our



synod. Ms. Mikka McCracken, program director of the ELCA World Hunger

Appeal, will be the keynote speaker. Synod Bishop Samuel Zeiser will lead opening and closing worship.

Some sixteen workshops will give participants an opportunity for learning how to continue Christ's work through advocacy for those who are voiceless,

disenfranchised, and economically challenged.



Workshops include such topics as housing, voting your Christian principles, abuse of women, immigration, budgeting to do ministry, community organizing, fracking, the challenge and promise of public education,



world hunger, prevention of bullying, Bread for

the World, greening your church, and more!

Registration for the event begins at 9:00 am and the event itself runs from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. One highlight of the event will be a panel discussion featuring Ms. McCracken, Pastor Amy Reumann, director, Lutheran Advocacy

Ministry in Pennsylvania







(LAMPa), and Pastor Mike Bennethum, synod director, evangelical mission, addressing "Called to be a Public Church" and how we can get involved.

The event is sponsored by LAMPa, Lutheran Congregational Services, Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, Micah 6:8, and the ELCA Mission Investment Fund.

Plan now to attend this exciting and valuable day. Come and discover what it means to love

kindness, do justice and walk humbly with God.

More information plus a list of workshops and a registration form may be found on the synod website, <a href="www.godslove.org">www.godslove.org</a>. Click the link on the home page.



2013 Assembly of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod

June 14-15, 2013

Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre PA



#### Faith-A-Palooza!

The second annual Faith-A-Palooza will be



held for senior high youth and their advisors November 10-11 at Pinebrook Bible Conference and Retreat Center in Stroudsburg.

The theme for the event is based on Rachel Kurtz's song, Make a Difference. Discover the gifts you have for making a difference in your church, the community, and the world!



Registration begins after lunch on Saturday and the event ends \_Sunday afternoon before **DIFFERENCE** dinner. More information and

registration materials are on the synod website, www.godslove.org. Sign up today! The registration deadline is October 31.

#### **Put THESE on Your Calendar!**

EVENIS

For information on these and other events, scroll to the date on the calendar

page of the synod website, www.godslove.org/ calendar or the youth calendar at

www.godslove.org/youth/ministry.htm. Details will be added as available.

October 27: Congregation Treasurers and Secretaries Workshop, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Lutheran Center.



January 5-6, 2013: Youth World Hunger Lock-in, multiple locations around the synod.



May 7, 2013: Lutheran Day at the Capitol, Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill, Pa.

June 14-15, 2013: Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly, Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre.

See more! Visit www.godslove.org!



#### Weaving Our Faith Stories: LM Day, January 26, 2013 St. John, Boyertown

Weaving Our Faith Stories, the 2013 Learning Ministries Day, features Pastor Paul Lutz (Trinity, Lansdale) as the keynote presenter. Pr. Lutz will talk about biblical storytelling.

Some of the workshops include recording your baptismal story, the art of Bible storying, telling our faith story through music, tweeting your story, arts and crafts, and dealing with bullying.

LM Day is a day of renewal for those who are faith formation leaders in their congregation (Sunday school teachers, Christian education committees, youth leaders) and all



congregational leaders. There is something for everyone from senior high through adults!

Weaving Our Faith Stories will be held at St. John, Boyertown, PA on January 26, 2013. More information is available on the synod website, www.godslove.org.

#### **Christmas Special Features** Hope, Reading

One Christmas Story: People Rich in Spirit, a one-hour, commercial-free holiday special produced by Odyssey Networks, features the celebration of the birth of Christ at Hope, Reading. The special includes more than 25 interviews with faith leaders, city residents in need of help, and local leaders of organizations assisting the poor. It will air nationally on CBS television on Christmas Eve at 11:30 pm. Preview the show on December 10 at 7 p.m. at



the Miller Center for the Arts at Reading Area Community College.

Watch for more information!

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# Social Ministry

#### **Ashland Area Food Pantry**

We will be collecting the following items for October:

#### **Canned Vegetables**

Please place your donations in the shopping cart. Thank You!



The month that your committee serves please help out in the kitchen before and after the service. Also, please bring in baked goods or other items for the snacks. Thank you.

# **Committee Schedule**

October—Stewardship
November—Endowment Fund
December—Choir
January 2013—Church Council
February—Social Ministry
March—LCM
April—WELCA
May—Christian Education
June—Worship & Music



# Teddy Bear Drive &





# Jared Box Project

Sunday October 7, 14, & 21

The Social Ministry Committee will be having a Teddy Bear & stuffed animal drive. Please only bring in NEW stuffed animals, as the hospitals are unable to accept used or old ones due to health concerns.

This will be our LAST year collecting stuffed animals.

We also will be collecting monetary donations to purchase items to make Jared Boxes. A Jared Box is a plastic storage box filled with small gifts, toys, cards, and games. They are given to chronically ill children.

All stuffed animals and Jared Boxes will be donated to Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, & to Schuylkill Medical Center South in Pottsville.



#### Saturday, October 20, 2012

Lutheran Advocacy Ministry PA, Lutheran Congregational Services, Micah 6:8, Mission Investment Fund, Northeastern PA Synod

invite you to



#### Bern Lutheran Church 820 W. Leesport Rd., Leesport

Speakers, Workshops, Conversation, Displays about doing justice, loving kindness and walking humbly with God

Registration materials from your church office or on the Synod or LCS websites

Registration deadline: FRIDAY, OCT. 5
\*Christ's United Social Ministry

Committee will be leading the workshop "Social Ministry: Just Do It!





The social ministry committee will be hosting a clothing give-away on:

Saturday October 27 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

#### This project will be our "Make a Difference Day" Project

The give-away will be advertised at the Ashland Area Food Pantry in October. If you know of any friends, neighbors, or family members in need of clothing please let them know.

We will also be serving hot dogs and other refreshments.

Thank you!!



#### Rally Day Sunday September 9



Food & Fellowship



The 10 Commandments Limbo





# Serving Our Community of Faith in October:

Date	Lector	Communion Assistants	Ushers	Acolyte	Acolyte   Crucifer	Greeter in Narthex	Greeter at Door
October 7	Donna Wallace	Dean Fetterolf Barb Stepanchick Jane Pennypacker	David Hall Laray Klinger Dennis Wolfe	Deidre Dengler	Desiree Dengler	Jim Gruber	Nancy Lindenmuth
October 14	Connie Welker		Jane Pennypacker	Brandy Speer	Lydia Price	Jim Chappell	Darlene Stank
October 21	Beth Andrews			Lauren Wagner	Sierra Wagner	Erik Tice	Kay Berner
October 28	Melanie Bendinsky	Donna Wallace Kay Berner Becky Spencer		Rhonda Carl	Ashley O'Connor	Janet Quirk	Marge Bolich



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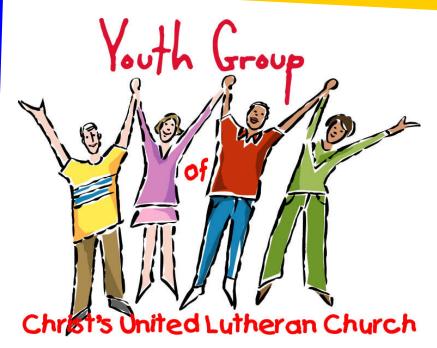
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	19 Wedding Rehearsal	9:00 – 3:30 Jesus & s Us Workshop 1:00 Paul Marshall Jennifer Weiker Wedding
		5:00 Worship Service
2:00 Food	26	27 10:00-1:00 Clothing Give-away
		5:00 Communion Service 6:00-9:00 Fall Festival
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Contact Us: youth@christsunited.org

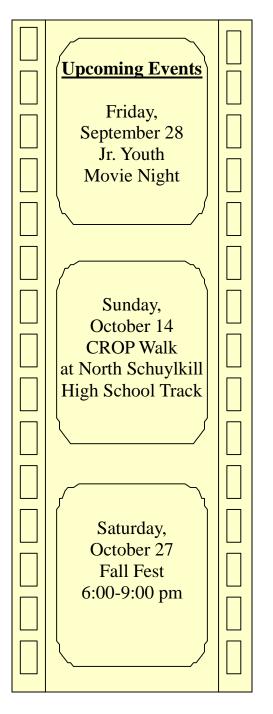
# TRUNK OR TREAT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28TH 5:30-6:30

A safe fun alternative to Trick or Treat

Bring your vehicles to the parking lot and Kids will be able to trick or treat from trunk to trunk. This will be a community wide event. Sign up sheets for both treaters (trick or treaters) and trunkers (vehicle owners) will be posted on the Bulletin Board.









These fall flavors will remind you of all the season's goodness.

#### What you need:

• An adult to help



#### Fruit mixture

- 4 cups apples and/or pears (peeled, cored and diced)
- 2 cups fresh cranberries, halved
- ¼ cup dried cranberries
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 3 Tablespoons cornstarch

#### Crumble topping

- 1 cup flour
- ½ cup brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup butter

#### What you do:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease 8" or 9" baking dish.
- 2. Prepare fruit mixture and place in baking dish.
- 3. In another bowl, combine dry ingredients. Add in cut butter until it's a crumbly texture. Sprinkle over fruit mixture.
- 4. Bake for 45-50 minutes or until fruit juices bubble and topping is browned.
- 5. Optional: Serve with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.



#### **Endowment Fund News**

The Endowment Fund Committee is now accepting requests for scholarships. If you are a member of the congregation who is furthering your education in a college, university, trade school, business school, nursing/medical school, etc., you may submit a letter of request.

In your letter, please include:

- Your name and address
- School you are attending
- Your status (freshman, sophomore, etc.)
- Address of school
- Projected time of certification or graduation
- Field of study/certification of degree pursuing

Please submit your letter by **September 30, 2012** to the church office, or to a committee member—Jennifer Johnson, Ken Dengler, Trish Kodack, Natalie O'Connor, or Rick Lorady.

Thank You!!!!!!





#### Jr. Youth Group Ages 6-10

Thank you to Christ's United Lutheran Church, the Church

Council, the Congregation, and Pastor Kim for your faith in me for this appointment as the Jr. Youth Group Advisor.

I will strive to do my very best to make all the events for the Jr. Youth fun and enjoyable. I am hoping to kick off our 1st event on **Friday, September 28th** @ **7:00 p.m. which will be a Movie Night** in the Fellowship Hall.

I would like to make a request to all parents of the children that will be joining the group to please get your email addresses to me so that when there are upcoming events, I can send you email notices.

Thank you again! Jeanmarie Brayford

#### Confirmation Class is back into full swing!

Parents, please be sure to pick up a copy of the 2012-2013 Confirmation Program Description to participate in the process. A reminder that ALL confirmands are to

participate in worship on either Saturdays or Sundays. Classes are regularly scheduled for Sunday mornings; please let me know of any other times that may be better for us to meet.





# CROP Hunger Walk – ending hunger one step at a time!

In parts of Cambodia and around the world, your steps in the CROP Hunger Walk can turn into nutritious, green leafy vegetables.

"I now have vegetables for eating and don't have to buy them from the market or neighbors, so I can save a bit of money," says Eam Ean, a widow who is supporting her four children and an elderly mother. Ean's is one of 90 families in Preah Vihear Province who received seeds for planting gardens through Church World Service.

Through CWS, the families also learned to place fences around their gardens to prevent animals from eating their crops. And they are weeding and watering their gardens regularly. The result: More food for everyone.

Some other ways your small steps can make a big difference:

\$25 can provide a farm family with everything they need to make succulent, nutritious honey -- hives, training, equipment.

**\$50** can provide 400 lbs. of much-needed food for a local church-run food pantry.

**\$100** can provide 250 cute and useful baby chicks, who will grow up to be egg-producing chickens.

Join the CROP Hunger Walk or donate to a Walker today.

Become an online Hunger Walker or donor.

Visit www.cropwalkonline.org to sign up!

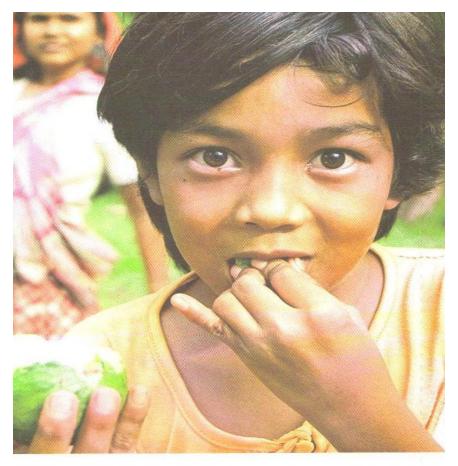


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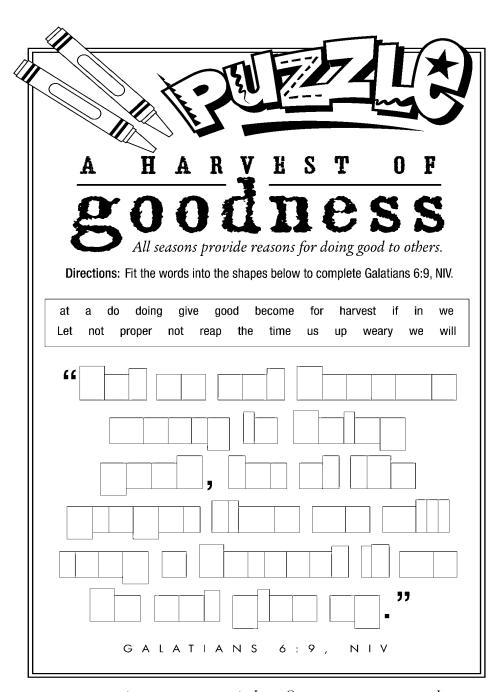


#### **My CROP Hunger Walk**

#### Join Us! North Schuylkill High School Sunday October 14, 2012 3:00 - 5:00 pm

If you are interested in walking please contact Pastor Kim or Erik for your registration materials.





Answer: Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9,  $\overline{\rm MIV}$ )



#### Fall Festival

Saturday, October 27 6:00-9:00 p.m.



A sign up sheet for food and drink donations is on the Bulletin Board.

Spooky Room Face Painting

Pumpkin Limbo
Fall Crafts
Hayride,
(weather permitting)
AND MORE!!!!





Come dressed as your favorite biblical character and enjoy a night of Food & FUN!



#### Calling All Acolytes AND T-A-L's!

All youth who have received First Communion are listed as acolytes for our worship services. Whether you have done it before or this is your first time, all acolyte age youth are to attend the annual acolyte training to be held on SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 @ 12:00 NOON. We will start off with some Pizza and Games (*including the famous candlestick relay*), and then get into the nitty gritty of acolyte service, answering such questions as:

What do you do when the candle lighter stick goes out?

What if I can't lift the offering plate?
What if Pastor is so boring I fall asleep?
While we expect everyone, please call or sign up on the bulletin board to register so we can have enough pizza and prizes for all.



#### Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry Team

Family Faith Challenge!



## Family faith challenge guidelines for the year

- Worship God together once a week
- Gather together around a table six times a week
- Have an empty chair at the

table to represent God's presence

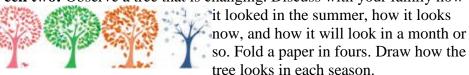
- Make sure each person has his/her time to talk without interruptions
- Read from an age-appropriate Bible for your children

#### **October: Changes**

We challenge you to notice how God's presence is with you while creation is changing.

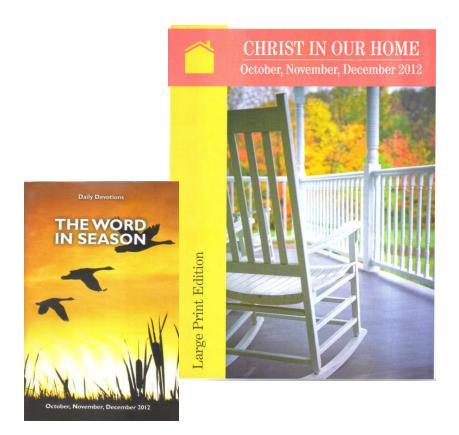
**Week one:** Look at a picture of yourself from last year. Notice the changes God has made in you. Give thanks to God for all the changes you notice!

Week two: Observe a tree that is changing. Discuss with your family how



Week three: Find someone who is much older than you. Talk with that person about what the world was like when they were your age or when they were a child.

**Week four:** This week we remember that Martin Luther (who lived in the 1500s) helped to change the Church. Discuss with your family how you would change the Church. Talk about the ways that God is changing the Church.



#### **Daily Devotionals**

Please remember, if you are interested there are two different kinds of daily devotion booklets available. They are located in the narthex on the information rack. We get these publications for your use quarterly during the year. The new books for the end of the year are here, so please take one. The books are FREE; however, there is a box if you would like to give a donation to offset the costs.



#### Reformation Services

Reformation is the festival of the church year when we celebrate the re-forming of the church, begun 700 years ago in Germany

and continuing today. The changes that began back then highlight the Bible's promise that we are saved by FAITH and not by WORKS. This festive service will include special music and sermon, as well as a possible appearance by a very special guest (could that be Martin himself?).

#### **New Bible Study Coming Soon!**

Learning of the ocean of God's love, we ended our study of Ruth with an even greater desire to dive into God's Word! Next up: the Book of Joshua! Come and learn about this spy who

became the leader of Israel, who – not Moses! - led the people into the Promised Land. Our schedule will be Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. with the lesson repeated on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. No experience necessary!





# Pork & Sauerkraut Supper



Sponsored by the Lutheran Church Men

#### Saturday, November 10, 2012 4:00 – 7:00 pm

**Eat In or Carry Out** 

Christ's United Lutheran Church 437 Airport Road, Ashland

#### **Dinner Includes:**

Pork & Sauerkraut
Mashed Potatoes
Applesauce
Bread & Butter
Dessert
Beverage
(Hot Dog available as substitute for pork)

Adults: \$8.00 Children 6-12: \$3.00 Under Age 6: FREE

Ticket information: Call 875-1591 (Limited tickets available at the door)



#### SAUERKRAUT SUPPER

Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Sponsored by Christ's United Lutheran Church Men 437 Airport Road, Ashland, PA 17921



#### **Sponsored by WELCA**

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12 P	ck Soda (Any brand or flavor)
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The fall clean-up of our section of Route 901 will take place on

#### Saturday, November 3

That's a bit later than usual but it was hard to find a Saturday this fall that didn't have some other important work going on. Please plan to join us at the church at 8:00 a.m. where you will be given gloves and an orange vest/back to mark you as a highway worker. With 10 or 12 workers we can finish in less than two hours. We've had new workers the past two times and we'll be delighted to have more. Interesting things can be found along our roadways.

Come and search with us.



#### **Christ's United Email**

Please change our email address in your contacts.
Our NEW email is office@christsunited.org
(I still have some people sending emails to the Verizon and the Gmail



addresses. Please do not use them!)



# **Ministry/Members** of the Month:

The Evangelism Committee continues to search for ways to help us be better witnesses to Jesus Christ. One of the ideas is to monthly feature a ministry and members in the newsletter. There is so much happening at Christ's

United that often we don't realize it! And members have so many gifts and interests that often we miss the opportunity to use the gifts in witness. This will also help us get to know each other better – after all, we are brothers and sisters in Christ – one big family – and find some of our missing relatives. If you know of some special talent of a member, please let us know so we can feature them in the coming month's newsletter.



During worship services on Saturday, November 3rd and Sunday, November 4th, Pastor Lengert will be sharing the names of those who have departed from this earthly life and have gone home to the Father in heaven. Included in The Prayer will be those of whom our Pastor (or a Pastor covering for her) conducted their funeral service.



For All the Saints

If you have a family member or friend who has been called to his/her heavenly home since <u>last All Saints Sunday (Nov. 6, 2011)</u> and you would like them included in The Prayer, please fill out the form below and submit it to the Church Office by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 28th.</u>

Name:	
Date of Death:	
Date of Death.	
Requested by:	





Birds of a feather flock together! From Pippins to Birds of Paradise, ladies from Christ's United shared stories as we enjoyed bird-themed sandwiches at Isaacs. Next month we will return to Red Lobster, where we broke all records for the stories told and the number of people telling them! Please sign up on the bulletin board so we can reserve our table. Remember we car pool, so not everyone needs to drive! Because of the

time of year, we will be leaving earlier – so please meet at the church

# Sunday, November 4 3:30 p.m.

#### **Bible Quiz**

Where was Daniel living when officials of King Darius conspired to have Daniel thrown into the lions' den? Why was Daniel living there?



- A. Egypt; he wanted to see the pyramids built by his ancestors, the Hebrew slaves
- B. Jerusalem; he was serving as a priest in the temple
- C. Samaria; he was visiting his friend Micah
- D. Babylon; he was one of the Israelites who'd been taken into exile there

Answer: D (See Daniel 1:1-6 and 6:13.)



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### Christ's United Lutheran Church Mission Statement

We the members of Christ's United Lutheran Church, Ashland, desiring to be blessed together with Word and Sacrament and to become more perfectly the Body of Christ in our world, do hereby commit ourselves to a mission which includes a creative reexamination of our worship life; a quality educational program for all ages; intentional witnessing; a <mark>serving spirit; and an integrated</mark> support system which will under gird our program and the maintenance of our facilities as it encourages improved stewardship.



From a church newsletter in Massillon, Ohio:

Please bring your unwanted treasurers for our Rummage Sale.

That sale will feature some bargain treasures!



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