

CHRISTUS VICTOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Voice June 2023



**VBS & Camp are on the horizon
see page 7 for
details**

Please review the prayer list, if someone needs to be removed send an email to the church office.

Mission Statement: "To bring the Life, Love and Teachings of Jesus Christ to today's world"



Hello Christus Victor Family and Friends.

Life has been a whirlwind for me as of late. I really am trying to figure out what it means to be a part-time pastor. It is a little difficult with VBS and then Camp in the plan. However, as I sit on my couch after a very long but incredibly meaningful Sunday, I am at least learning to stay away from church physically a little better. One day, I will even know how to stay away from some of the work. Maybe.

In recent weeks I have had the opportunity to encounter several people who have had a significant impact on my ministry and my understanding of what it means to be called. Yet, they are individuals who a) probably have no idea the impact they have had, and b) I see so seldom that I may never have the chance to tell them, and c) I am not sure I could explain the impact if I tried. One of these individuals was at camp one of the very first years I went to camp as a sponsor. It was the first job I had out of college, and I was at camp with our pastor, working with our confirmation kids. She was the pastor of a church who also had confirmation kids at camp. I can't tell anything that she specifically said, or some deep conversation we had that created this intense connection for me. I can only say that she was one of the first people that made me feel that I did have much of I needed if I were to ever pursue becoming a Pastor. When I have the opportunity to see her, whether it is at a synod assembly or a Houston area meeting of some sort, I once again feel the empowered in my call.

One of these individuals I met when I was a counselor at camp. He was part of a group of pastors that gave us counselors a run for our money because, while they probably had the most productive way of working together to give the kids the best opportunity for learning, they also knew how to enjoy the time away from campers. Since I still know most of those pastors, most of whom are retired, I can say they did settle a bit in the rowdiness department, their ability to impact kids and adults alike is still huge. I had a chance to have a conversation or two with one of these guys in which I realized that I didn't have to have the skills or gifts someone else had to be called. I simply needed to be myself and let the Spirit of God channel my unique gifts and weirdness to places in ways that helped me connect with people. He ended up on the Candidacy Committee when I was in the TEEM program. This pastor supported me when another member of the implied that what I wrote was not genuine. When I see him, I feel that support and the importance of being nothing by myself when working in ministry.

There are others but I think I have painted the picture. The point in sharing this with you is twofold: A. To show you that each of us develops a sense of call with the help of other people. Some of those people are a huge part of our lives and we continue to see them, like parents, grandparents and old friends, ect. But sometimes we encounter people for a very short time, but the spirit of God reveals something so very important to us that empowers us to continue in the work God has called us to. B) To remind you that moments matter. We see t-shirts and buttons and signs that say things like "If you can be anything, be KIND". It's a slogan, but it really says it. There are thousands of people that we will encounter in moments when they are struggling or hurting or lonely, and we don't even know it. What we say to them can either offer things like support and encouragement or it could create things like frustration, anger or discomfort. A day from now you may not even remember that encounter. However, what you said may leave a significant impression, good or bad, that has an impact on their life for years to come.

Just read through the gospels and see how Jesus encounters the lost and the hurting. Kindness, compassion and grace are what Jesus gives, even the "worst" of the individuals. There really isn't a specific thing I am encouraging you to do. You don't have to go out of your comfort zone. All we need to do is be kind and trust that the Holy Spirit will be at work even in the shortest of encounters.

God Bless You All.
Pastor Tammy



Main Street Messenger

The June songs for Praise Sunday (3rd Sunday of the month) are as follows:

God of Wonders		Prelude
Come Let Us Worship And Bow Down	CCLI 27329	Gathering
Freely, Freely	CCLI 13209	Hymn of the Day
Everlasting God	CCLI 4556538	Offertory
Spirit Song	CCLI 27824	Communion
Go Now		Recessional

The "Main Street Messengers" have their own YouTube channel. We use that to record our rehearsals to upcoming service songs. You are welcome to take a listen to those, too, to familiarize yourself with upcoming songs. As a fair warning, these are only in the rehearsal stages and can be a bit rough.

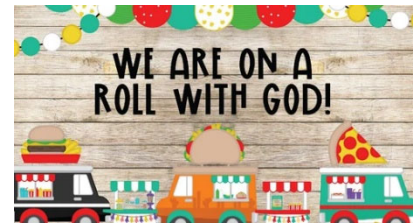


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VBS is almost here! Join us [June 4-8](#) for our adventure. We will serve supper at 5:45, and VBS begins at 6:30. It is open to children age 4- 5th grade. We still need a few volunteers- one group leader, help with recreations, and a couple people to help with clean up after supper. We are also happy to have our junior high and high school kids help us. Please have all food donations to the church by Saturday, June 3rd when we are setting up.

We will have a VBS volunteers meeting on Wed, May 31st at 6:00. All student volunteers are required to attend. Adult volunteers are not required, but you are welcome to attend.



We will begin setting up for VBS on Saturday, [June 3rd at 9:00 am](#). If you can't volunteer during VBS, we would love your help getting the Narthex and Sanctuary ready. Come help us set the scene!

We are so excited for Lutherhill this summer! Our campers will be attending June 11th- 16th. Campers should bring their stuff with them to church on June 11th. Once church is over, we will have lunch, then head to Lutherhill! Please pray for our campers while they are at camp! We are also collecting items to "stock the fridge" for the counselors at Lutherhill. If you'd like to bring snacks, drinks, or treats for us to give them, please have them at church by Sunday morning.





Christus Victor Children's School

Our Bible verse this month is
“At all times pray.” Ephesians 6:18

In May, we had some fun activities. Our pre-k students had their Graduation and program. Mrs. Theresa has done an amazing job with them! To kick off summer, the children brought bikes and scooters and had a fun day outside!

Beginning in June, our school agers will take weekly field trips or have fun things come to them. Follow our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/CVCStx to see what's going on at the school!

We have a few openings in our baby room, 1s class, 3s class, Pre-K class, and school ager class. We drop off and pick up from Ross, Hall, Gilmore, Campbell, and Bauerschlag.

We are hiring! Please let friends and family know!

Happy Father's Day

Honoring Our Dads

*Blessed is the one
who trusts in the*

Lord,

*whose confidence
is in him.*

JEREMIAH 17:7 (NIV)



JUNE

2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 9:00 am SetUp for VBS
4 9:00 am Main St Messen- gers Practice 10:30 am Worship Service VBS	5 6:30 pm VBS	6 6:30 pm VBS	7 6:30 pm VBS	8 6:30 pm VBS	9	10
11 9:00 am Main St Messen- gers Practice 10:30 am Worship Service	12 Camp Lutherhill	13 Camp Lutherhill	14 Camp Lutherhill	15 Camp Lutherhill	16 Camp Lutherhill	17 Camp Lutherhill
18 9:00 am Main St Messen- gers Practice 10:30 am Worship Service Happy Father's Day	19 VOICE ARTICLES DUE!	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:00 am Main St Messen- gers Practice 10:30 am Worship Service	26	27	28	29	30	

Ani Kutinac	06/11
Don Birkelbach	06/13
Vanessa Zambrana	06/18
Ruby Hinton	06/24
Missy Qualia	06/24
Margie Schafman	06/25
Evelyn Geiger	06/27



Trish & Ben Fowzer	06/08
Jack & Stacey Keener	06/09



Health Concerns
(removed after 30 days)

Personal Needs
(removed after 30 days)

Bereavement
(removed after 2 weeks)

Serving in our Military

Brandon Geiger
Blake Meyer
Zach Wood

Long Term Care/Medical Treatments

(remains until requested to be removed)

Earl Armstrong
Peggy Basset
Steve Bivens
Diana Bredeson
Ashlynn Coury-Moseley
Letha Frederick
Helen Goodwin
Elissa Gould-Schautd
Carolyn Hannum
Brad Loucas (02/22)
Merl Matthewman
Ray Mitchell
Daryoal Ondick (10/22)
Penny Plumlee (05/23)
Kathy Pulliam (03/21)
Irene Richmond
Betsy Riley (10/22)
Theresa Rios (10/21)
Callie Robertson (10/22)
Marjorie Schaeffman
Patricia Meyer Schalla
Carol Schautd
Ken Schautd
Natasha Slawson (05/22)
Cathy Vaughn
Kathleen Womansong (10/21)

Due to HIPPA regulations and pastoral confidentiality issues, we do not give specific details of prayer concerns in the bulletin. Please pray, however, for those who ask for our prayers for God knows and understands their needs. We pray that God's will be done.

When a prayer request arrives marked confidential it is not placed on the prayer list. Pastor Tammy will pray for the request.

Please obtain permission from the person or the family before adding them to the list.

Christus Victor Lutheran Church....281-332-6847

Vision Statement: "To bring the Life, Love, and Teachings of Jesus Christ to Today's World"

Sunday School: 9:00 am Sunday Worship: 10:30 am

Church and School Contact Information :

Contact info for Pastor Tammy Sharp - Cell # 281-924-1667

Tammy's E-mail: pastortammy@comcast.net

Tammy's Office Hours: 9 am until 4pm Monday thru Thursday. [Friday...out of office.]

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Church Secretary, Sandie Price Office# 281-332-6847

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Children's School Director, Tebertha Henderson...281-332-2821 E-mail...cvcdirector@comcast.net

Council President: Sara Smart

Council Vice President:

Council Secretary: Lisa Kutinac

Church Treasurer: Carol Vykukal

Property:

School Board President: Lisa Kutinac

Outreach:

Education:

Worship:

Parish Life

Stewardship:

OFFERING REPORT YEAR-TO-DATE May 31, 2023

2023 Offering Needed: \$84,455.00

Current Offerings Received: \$ 52, 506.25

Shortfall: \$31,948.75

Building Fund Offerings ytd: \$4,125.00

**Building fund loan balance: \$11,751.22
(as of May 11, 2023)**