

# INSIGHT

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**OCTOBER 2023**

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*"What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us." (Romans 8:31-34)*

Understanding. I would guess that understanding things that happen in life might be one of the toughest things that we as humans try to do as we live in community with one another. Understanding another human being. Understanding circumstances. Understanding rules and regulations. Understanding disasters and tragedies. Understanding government and politics. Understanding ourselves. Understanding even God.

I don't believe that any one person on this journey in life ever arrives at a complete understanding of things. The apostle Paul, in the great love chapter of Corinthians, sums it up by saying that "now we see in a mirror dimly." When things occur in this life that we don't expect, when things happen that challenge our notions of things and people, we are often left to ponder the unknown, and even seek to figure out the incomprehensible.

I believe part of the Good News of the Gospel, is that we are not charged with trying to figure it all out. Even Jesus' very closest disciples, after spending three years with him, did not understand what was coming next. We, in our course of life, will not either. Sometimes this can be exciting because we don't know what is around the corner, other times it can be challenging because what does happen can cross our boundary of expectation. But again, the Good News of the Gospel reminds, and directs us, to a God of unconditional love, a God whose compassion and promise for humanity remains steadfast and strong, no matter what humanity does.

For those who are in mourning, for those who are amid great struggles, for those facing challenging decisions and obstacles, we are reminded of a God who turns darkness into light, a God who lifts the burdens of the heavy laden, a God who claims us fully into our Savior's loving care and can give us a peace that passes all understanding.

***See you in worship,***

***Pastor Randy***

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## ART CONNECTIONS IS RETURNING!

Art Connections will be returning to CRLC in 2024. But to do this, we need to start working on it now. Please consider joining the planning team as we gear up to share God's creative talents with our church and our community. If you are interested, please contact Jen Evans at 216-509-3347 or [jenevans3ten@gmail.com](mailto:jenevans3ten@gmail.com). Everyone is welcome, so come help us get this show on the road.

We also encourage everyone to consider creating something for Art Connections. Artistic talents shared in the past include: children's art work, painting, drawing, mosaics, sculpture, photography, textiles, knitting, paper arts, needlepoint, woodworking, music, or performing art. We can't wait to see your creations!

### 50K for 50 Years!

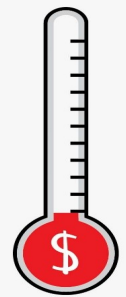
As Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, we have taken on a big financial goal for this year in addition to our regular giving. We set a goal to raise \$50,000 to mark this anniversary. What will we do with this money? It will be used for Outreach and Inreach.

For Outreach: We hope to give one-half the total raised to Redeemer Crisis Center that will enhance their ability to serve people in need.

For Inreach: We are also using the other half to refurbish the outdoor chapel. The pews are now complete, and we hope to replace the altar next spring. We still plan to bury a time capsule in the ground near the altar for the future. Watch for more details on it all.

If you would like to donate to this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary goal, please mark any donation "50K for 50 years".

*Thank you!*



### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Our time, talent and resources...

On Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, we will have an opportunity to complete an Estimate of Giving card that guides us in preparing our financial planning for 2024. These were sent out to you in September.

Also, that day, we will have a brochure that lists many of the opportunities to serve in the numerous and various roles in our ministry at CRLC. These also should have already been received by you in a mailing, if not, they will be available at the church.

Our congregation is truly blessed by those who serve and support this great community of faith. Let's keep growing with each other and sharing our journeys as we are "Praising God, Serving Others."





## **“THEO -THURSDAY”**

Theo Thursday continues. This informal time is led by Pastor Randy and is open to all. This month we will again be at Royal Breakfast & More, Thursday, October 26 @ 9:30AM.

(Note change of time back to our old slot) at Royal Breakfast & More!

This is located at 500 E Royalton Road in Broadview Heights

## **WORSHIP TIME CHANGE!!**

As per our normal schedule, we will begin worshipping on Sunday mornings at 8:00AM and 10:30AM with Sunday School at 9:15 beginning the weekend after Labor Day on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

This will be our schedule until Memorial Day weekend in 2024.

Exception: Check the calendar of Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve worship.

## **CONFIRMATION:**

Confirmation class is currently meeting with our youth Director in the high school classroom in the lower level. Beginning in November, Pastor Randy will be teaching the new units to the returning and the first-year students. On Reformation Sunday this year, we will celebrate the affirmation of the students who have completed this two-year educational journey.

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

Mark your calendars for our annual meeting on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 service. The annual reports and proposals will be made available 2 weeks ahead of this meeting. On the agenda will be the proposed 2024 Mission Investment Plan and the election of our leadership positions.

## **INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH?**

If you are interested in joining Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, speak with Pastor Randy. We are planning to welcome our newest members at the beginning of October.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

We are pleased to announce the launch this Fall of "Growing in Faith" here in the Northeastern Ohio Synod!

In the letter to the Ephesians, the apostle Paul writes, "I pray that, according to the riches of God's glory, you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through the Holy Spirit and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love."

Growing in Faith is a ministry within the ELCA committed to fostering learning environments for followers of Jesus to grow in faith as they become more deeply rooted and grounded in love. We believe that lay members of our congregations are integral to healthy discipleship in our churches and communities.

Growing in Faith is a series of classes that you can take quickly in sequence or at a leisurely pace as it is convenient for you. Each course runs for 5 weeks and the cost is \$70 per course. The dates and times of these courses will be announced as they become available.

The courses available for registration now include:

- Worship Matters – Zoom 8-9pm – Sept 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, 19
- Christianity in a Lutheran Key – Zoom 8-9pm – Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec. 7
- Introduction to the Old Testament – Zoom 8-9pm – Dec 14, Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25

You can read more [here](#), or register through this code:



You can also register through this link: [www.tinyurl.com/NEOS-GiF](http://www.tinyurl.com/NEOS-GiF).

For any questions about Growing in Faith, please contact Bishop Laura Barbins ([lbarbins@neos-elca.org](mailto:lbarbins@neos-elca.org)).



**Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
of the Schlicker/Holkamp Organ  
1973-2023**

I'm pleased to announce that I have commissioned an organ partita on the hymn tune ENGELBERG, in celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the CRCL organ. A partita is a musical composition consisting of a theme and variations.

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924) composed ENGELBERG as a setting for William W. How's "For All the Saints". The tune was published in the 1904 edition of *Hymns Ancient and Modern* with no less than six different musical settings. A prodigious and energetic composer and conductor, he composed before he was ten and as an undergraduate became organist at Trinity College, Cambridge. He studied in Leipzig and Berlin with Carl Reinecke and Friedrich Keil. He taught at the Royal College of Music from 1883 and at Cambridge from 1887, in both positions until the end of his life. Besides being director of the Cambridge Musical Society from 1872 until 1893, the London Bach Choir from 1885 until 1902, and the Leeds Festival from 1901 until 1910, he wrote a book *Musical Composition* (1911) and, with Cecil Forsyth, a *History of Music* (1916). We have almost two hundred musical compositions from him in almost all musical forms, including church music. His most lasting influence was a demanding teacher of composition whose students included Ralph Vaughan Williams, Gustav Holst, Walford Davies, and Herbert Howells.

ENGELBERG is an attractive, energetic melody with many ascending motives, designed for unison singing with no pauses between stanzas. It is associated with the hymn "When in Our Music God is Glorified" (ELW 851). John Wilson—who quietly, behind the scenes, and with scholarly care and imaginative insight made many constructive contributions to hymnody in the twentieth century—"wanted a hymn for a Festival of Praise or Choir Anniversary to Stanford's tune ENGELBERG." He asked Fred Pratt Green to write it. This hymn that emerged from Wilson's request, as many commentators have noted, is unusual. Green managed to mention music—which is usually disastrous because it points a hymn in the wrong direction—in such a way that its translucent vocation in this world is carried out: to glorify God by giving us an "Alleluia" to sing. The original alliterative first line point to this and sets out the hymn's whole structure: "When in our music God is glorified."

The composer of this organ partita is Dr. John A. Behnke (b. 1953), Emeritus Professor of Music, Concordia University, Mequon, Wisconsin, where for 29 years he taught organ, church music and directed The Alleluia Ringers, Concordia's touring handbell choir. Dr. Behnke is also a frequent organ recitalist, handbell clinician, and festival director. He was honored in December of 1993 being named "MVP" Most Valuable Player in the Milwaukee area by Milwaukee Sentinel music critic, Nancy Raabe. In May of 1994 he was named Concordia's "Faculty Laureate." He has also received an ASCAP Composers Award every year since 1998. In March of 2004, he was selected by the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel as one of the "10 Beautiful Minds" of scholars who help make Milwaukee a brighter place. In March of 2009, he was selected as one of 103 notable people who live and work in Ozaukee County, Wisconsin. A 1974 graduate of Concordia-River Forest, IL. he received his M. Mus. in Church Music and Organ from Northwestern University, Evanston, IL. in 1978. His D. Mus. was awarded to him in 1984 by Northwestern University where he was elected into the Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Lambda, a National Honorary Music Society

**Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
of the Schlicker/Holkamp Organ  
1973-2023 (con't)**

From August 1978 to July 1979 Dr. Behnke studied at the Westphalian Church Music Institute in Herford, W. Germany, where he passed the "A" Exam in Organ with the grade of "1-Excellent".

"I consider myself a "church musician."", says Dr. Behnke. I began playing the organ in high school and I'm still playing today. I love conducting a bell or a vocal choir. And I enjoy composing and arranging having over 500 handbell, choral, and organ compositions in print with eighteen different publishers in the United States, Germany, Hong Kong and Taiwan, including my own label, JAB John Behnke PUBLISHING.

Currently, Dr. Behnke is organist at Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Charlotte, FL and a Board Member of the AGO Sarasota/ Manatee Chapter.

This musical composition is written specifically for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Schlicker/Holtkamp organ at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church. It is my hope to place a copy of the music in the time capsule. The premier of this piece is planned for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary organ recital later this year.

Thank you, Dr. Behnke for graciously accepting our request and creating music that will celebrate this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in a very special way.

In the words of the hymn writer:

*Let every instrument be tuned for praise; let all rejoice who have a voice to raise; and may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!*

1972 Hope Publishing Company

Information for this article taken from [johnbehnke.weebly.com](http://johnbehnke.weebly.com), Hymnal Companion to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Evangelical Lutheran Worship.

## READINGS FOR OCTOBER

### OCTOBER 1—PENTECOST 18

Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God. In the reading from Ezekiel the people claim the ways of the Lord are unfair, while God offers repentance and new life. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, putting the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy world.

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32  
Psalm 25:1-9  
Philippians 2:1-13  
Matthew 21:23-32

### OCTOBER 8—PENTECOST 19

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

Isaiah 5:1-7  
Psalm 80:7-15  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

### OCTOBER 15—PENTECOST 20

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

Isaiah 25:1-9  
Psalm 23  
Philippians 4:1-9  
Matthew 22:1-14

### OCTOBER 22—PENTECOST 21

In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

Isaiah 45:1-7  
Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
Matthew 22:15-22

### OCTOBER 29—REFORMATION SUNDAY

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 46  
Romans 3:19-28  
John 8:31-36

...The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

*"Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am in distress; my eyes grow weak with sorrow,  
my soul and body with grief." (Psalm 31:9)*

This Psalm gives voice to the anguish and struggle experienced due to **trauma**.

Trauma: "a deeply distressing or disturbing experience." Stress from trauma is triggered by a terrifying event – either experiencing it *or* witnessing it. *Few people can go through life without encountering some kind of trauma*. Unlike ordinary hardships, traumatic events tend to be **sudden & unpredictable**, involve a **serious threat to life**—like bodily injury or death—and feel **beyond a person's control**. Most important, events are traumatic to the degree that they undermine a person's *sense of safety in the world & create a sense that catastrophe could strike at any time*. Parental loss in childhood, physical violence, sexual assault, military combat experiences, the *unexpected loss of a loved one* are common traumatic events. Consider how a **community** experiences a natural disaster; our **country** shared the stress of the 9/11 attack & our **world** the covid pandemic crisis. *"You alone, O God, make me lie down in safety" (Psalm 4:8)*

Consider the impact on a family that experienced a car crash ~ magnify that with the death or permanent injury of self or a family member! Studies have shown that "adverse childhood experiences" (ACES), can impact long term health & wellness. Learn more about "Trauma and your autonomic nervous system" ~ fight-flight-freeze responses at this link: <https://www.polyvagal institute.org/pv-podcasts-videos>

If interacting with young children, this video on "Keeping Kids Calm" is a cute reminder of how best to understand and respond to them: <https://www.polyvagal institute.org/pv-podcasts-videos>

Trauma responses: Severe anxiety, nightmares, flashbacks and uncontrollable thoughts about the event may occur. Most people who go through a single traumatic event may have temporary difficulty adjusting & coping but improve with time & good self-care. Getting timely help & support can aid & prevent normal acute stress reactions from getting worse and developing into PTSD. <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/post-traumatic-stress-disorder/expert-answers/post-traumatic-stress/faq-20057756>

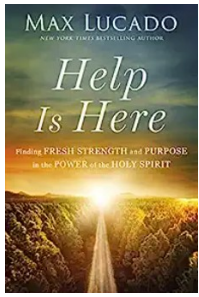
Possessive, controlling behavior is what domestic violence is all about. Children should know & understand that force, coercion & control have no place in interactions. Home should be a place where children observe & experience respect. Violence in any form-physical, sexual, psychological or verbal-is sinful; often it is a crime as well. Importantly, churches take a public stand & participate in community efforts to address this social justice issue. It matters greatly to the faithful of the church what we say or *don't* say about painful, personal & persistent experiences of abuse.

How do we as God's people respond? *Seek to reflect Christ's light & love, as people of hope who acknowledge the challenges of trauma and provide support! "Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:4)*

*Jill Koubal*

Parish Nurse, RN, BSN





**Women's Bible Study**

We will gather to study “**Help is Here**” by Max Lucado on **Wednesday, October 4th at 10:00am and Thursday, October 5th at 7:00pm**. There will be a zoom option again for the Wednesday morning group as needed. Please read Chapter 3, “**Raise Your Sail**” and Chapter 6, “**Calm This Chaos**” If you don’t have a book, you can pick one up at the first meeting. All are welcome.



**CRLC Faithful Readers**

Faithful Readers will begin meeting on **Wednesday, October 18th at 10:00am**. The second book will be “**The Paris Library**” by Janet Skeslien Charles Meetings are held in the Fellowship Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. You can pick up a brochure at the meeting. All are welcome

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**ADULT SERIES continues: CIVIC LIFE and our FAITH**

This month through October 15<sup>th</sup> we will continue our adult Sunday class series on Civic Life and our Faith. Currently, the ELCA is in the study process for a social statement on our civic life and faith. At this point in the planning, there are prepared materials for the congregations to study and offer input. You can still join in on the final three sessions of our study looking at how our duty to citizenship and how our devotion to our faith informs each other, as we all seek to walk the line between politics and religion. Deacon Judy Hoshek will lead these final sessions. Then beginning October 22<sup>nd</sup> Pastor Blair Morgan will resume his series doing an overview of the books of the Bible. Come and join this class!

**Rally Day**

Children’s Sunday School—Shining Jesus Light and the candles will be a wonderful reminder !

The students also will be featured on stars displayed around the church highlighting how they shared the light of Jesus. More information on this and our mission projects will be sent home soon.



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER HELP!

In an effort to enhance the appearance of CRLC's outdoor spaces, we are looking for a few people to assist with the various tasks that come up during the year; weeding, mulching, etc. If this sounds like something you might be interested in, please send your name, phone number and email to Steve Wilson at [stevewilson440@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stevewilson440@sbcglobal.net). As jobs arise, you will be contacted as to your availability and you can pick and choose which ones you can help with. Maybe you can only help out once a season or maybe you can assist on a regular basis.

Whatever your availability, please consider adding your name to our contact list. Thank you

If you notice something that needs to be fixed around the building, please complete a **Brown Maintenance Request Form** next to the mailboxes in the office and put it in Mike Skwarski's (our Facility Manager) mailbox.



TABLECLOTHS & VASES

Please return vases from the altar flowers to the office. Vases are marked on the bottom. Our inventory is dwindling and we need them for the next week's flower arrangement. Tablecloths used in Fellowship Hall for events should be washed, returned, and hung up within a week after your event. Please check your cupboards as we are missing 6 black round tablecloths.

New Outdoor Chapel Benches!



**SOUTH HILLS LEND-A-HAND**

We continue to collect food for the food pantry in Broadview Heights that serves residents of Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Independence and Seven Hills.

**Call 440-526-0514 if you would like to help or need assistance.**

**Need on a more regular basis:**

**Tissues, Laundry Detergent and Canned Fruit**

**ITEMS NEEDED THE MOST:**

canned meals/stew	canned soup
canned beans	canned fruit
canned vegetables	tuna fish
peanut butter & jelly	pancake mix
cereal      rice	spaghetti sauce
macaroni & cheese	toilet paper
Tissues    paper towels	diapers
hygiene products	liquid laundry detergent

**USED CELL PHONES**

Used cell phones are being collected throughout the year and will be donated to the **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** (formerly *Domestic Violence Center*). There is a marked bag located on the coffee counter in the Gathering Space by the front entry doors.

The **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** provides services that foster safety and healing for those affected by child abuse and domestic violence. Their model is grounded in self-determination and operates from a strengths-based philosophy while incorporating best practices and evidence-based strategies. Services are delivered through a trauma-informed lens with an emphasis on individual empowerment as persons navigate their own journey.

**We are collecting aluminum pull-tabs for RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES.**

There is a large jar in the Gathering Space by the stairwell as well as in the coat room at the bottom of the food shelf.

**REDEEMER CRISIS CENTER****\*NEW EMPHASIS ON ITEMS NEEDED\***

**Peanut Butter, Boxed Cereal and Toilet Paper**

Hand/toe warmers, Towels  
Blankets and Comforters  
Hand can openers, Pots and Pans  
Electric fry pans & hot plates  
Shampoo and Conditioner  
Lotions, Body Wash, Shaving Cream  
Toilet paper, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste

**OASIS COLLECTION****\*NEW ITEMS\***

Food items are needed for the OASIS ministry in Akron. There are about 50 children in the program that need to be fed.

Items can be dropped off at church into the **NEW** donation area of the coat closet.

During the month of October, we would like to highlight the need for healthy after-school snacks for the children OASIS partners with. This would **include bags of small apples, bags of clementines or mandarin oranges, fruit cups, granola or fruit bars and peanut butter or cheese crackers**

**Lutheran Disaster Response** actively works in areas affected by tornados, hurricanes, flooding, Hawaii wildfires, the covid-19 pandemic, and helping with Ukraine refugee settlement. Donations can be made on our website home page or click on the donate tab. Checks can also be written to CRLC and write LDR on the memo line. CRLC will send your donation to LDR.



### Lutheran Disaster Response

Our September Serving Project will be to donate to Lutheran Disaster Response to aid in relief to the people of Hawaii affected by the wildfires. **Lutheran Disaster Response** actively works in areas affected by tornados, hurricanes, flooding, wildfires, **helping with Ukraine refugee settlement, and most recently aiding the people affected by the wildfires in Hawaii**. Donations can be made on our website home page or click on the donate tab. Checks can also be written to CRLC and write LDR on the memo line. CRLC will send your donation to LDR.

### OASIS

During the month of October, we would like to highlight the need for healthy after-school snacks for the children OASIS partners with. This would include bags of small apples, bags of clementines or mandarin oranges, fruit cups, granola or fruit bars and peanut butter or cheese crackers. We have moved the bin for OASIS into the new donation area of the coat closet.

Thank you for keeping Pastor Lisa & OASIS in your prayers.

### FELLOWSHIP

### JEANNE TRAVAGLIANTI, JOAN CASTELUCCI

#### Cards, Games, and Conversation

Please join us for the kickoff meeting of our Cards, Games, and Conversation Group. If you are not a card player, there are other games that we play and some people come just for the conversation with fellow members. It's a new season and time to try new things. Even if you have never joined us before, give it a try. We always have fun and good things to eat.



**What: Cards, Games, and Conversation**

**When: TBD**

**Where:**

**What: Bring a dish to share (appetizer, salad, vegetable, or dessert)**

Do RSVP to either



The coffee is brewing again in the Gathering space! Stop by for a cup of coffee/tea or water after the first service, before you head back to Sunday School, or before the second service and mingle with your CRLC family.

We are once again looking for coffee hostesses to set up and clean up afterward, however, with the new set-up, it will be much easier to do. See sign-up sheet and guidelines on the Message Board in the Narthex. Hope you'll take a Sun and help provide for this special time together...



**A Ladies Lunch ... Join Us!**  
Fourth Tuesday of the Month

We hope you'll join other CRLC ladies for some lunch and fellowship on Tuesday, October 25th. We'll meet at Simon's in Brecksville at 11:30am in the side room.

Mark your calendars for the fourth Tuesday of the month for this special time.

**October 24th**  
**November 28th**

### Reformation Dinner



Suzana and Paul Koch have once again generously offered to sponsor a Reformation Dinner in honor of Paul's dad, Frederick W. Koch, who passed away on Reformation Day 2020. You are invited to a congregational dinner on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am - Fellowship Hall.

**Please sign up in the Message Center by October 15 if you plan to attend.**

### Reformation Sunday

We are also looking for assistance with set-up and clean-up, if you can lend a hand, please indicate this on the sign-up sheet as well.

We look forward to sharing this day together, and honoring Fred Koch!



Watch for new or these recurring Fellowship opportunities in the months ahead!

- S'Mores Fellowship
- Ladies Lunch
- Hobby Weekends
- Games Nights
- Advent Tea

We're committed to continue to come up with ideas to keep us connected and enjoying each and every day we're given. We hope you'll find one of our events a good way to share fun and fellowship with others, like our CRLC family. If you'd like to be part of the planning or have a fellowship opportunity you'd like to put together, please contact one of us ... we welcome you! And always check here and the Narthex sign up board for opportunities to connect with your CRLC family!

Fellowship Ministry

Jeanne Travagianti ... 440-667-9803  
Joan Castelucci ... 440-526-5129

## October Volunteers In Parish Service

As always, if you are unable to serve on a scheduled date, *please find your own replacement* and let the church office know by Wednesday of that week.

*Thank you for your service!*

<b>October 1</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
Assisting Minister	Suzana Koch	Don Dobos
Communion Assistants	x	Chris Schuhle, Dianne Young
Ushers	Mike Berzins, George Stelmaschuk	Dennis Nagy, Bill Waltz
Altar Care	Dorthea Kramer	Linda Eckenbrecht
Counters: Jeff Smith, Cathy Smith, Jeff Luksa		
<b>October 8</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
Assisting Minister	Diane Wilson	Jill Koubal
Communion Assistants	x	Karl Koubal, Maureen Michal
Ushers	Don Laubacher, Ken Blank	Blaine Coleman, Jeff Dentzer
Altar Care	Lis Kroepel	Dana Vrcan
Counters: Jeff Dentzer, Mike Bodanza, Todd Romance		
<b>October 15</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
Assisting Minister	Linda Radefeld	Alberta Manzi
Communion Assistants	x	Lisa Witzke, Dennis Nagy
Ushers	Al Radefeld, Todd Kiick	Scott Witzke, Jennifer Eisenmann
Altar Care	Cheryl Stiefvater	Ilene Privara
Counters: Andrew Perry, Lisa Witzke		
<b>October 22</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
Assisting Minister	Barb Wojtala	Mark Lickert
Communion Assistants	x	Bill Waltz, Pam Waltz
Ushers	Lou Carouse, Lis Kroepel	Dan Bartik, Amy Marek
Altar Care	Bob & Pam Bertsch	Shirley Fisher
Counters: Joy Petrovic, Dan Bartik, Dennis Farney		
<b>October 29</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
Assisting Minister	Lis Kroepel	Ina Stanek
Communion Assistants	Shirley Fisher	Dianne Young, Debbie Dey
Ushers	Mike Berzins, Mark Evans	Wendy & Chris Dralle
Altar Care	Gail Stelmaschuk	Shirley Fisher
Counters: Peter Smith, Diane Wilson, Steve Wilson		



- 2 Melissa Garito
- 3 Chase Garito
- 3 Alex Brunovsky
- 4 Kay Helle
- 4 Joshua Papesh
- 6 Anthony Guzi
- 6 Sean Simmons
- 6 Molly Klinger
- 8 Laura Podsiadlo
- 10 Dorothy Jones
- 10 Kathleen Zaker
- 11 Gina Springer
- 11 Elizabeth Marek
- 12 Sylvia James \*\*
- 12 Daniel Miller
- 12 Jacob Cordiak
- 12 Matteo Aller
- 15 Scott Sheets
- 15 Erica Perlman
- 15 Zachary Stoneman
- 16 James Pohle
- 18 Joe Huber
- 18 Don Dobos \*\*
- 19 Amy Benza
- 19 Brian Moore
- 20 Deb Blank \*\*
- 21 Matt Garito
- 21 Grace Smith
- 23 Connie Gearhart
- 23 Autumn Halter
- 24 Annie Root
- 24 John Eisenmann
- 25 Delaney Evans
- 26 Jacob Henyey
- 27 Judy Montowski
- 28 Tim Marcinko
- 29 Bob Fritz
- 29 Patrick Smith
- 31 Eric Witzke
- 31 Nathan Petrovic

\*\*= Milestone birthday

- 4 Karen and Steve Petro
- 8 Cathy and Jeff Smith
- 10 Jill and Jeff Dentzer
- 18 Gail and George Stelmaschuk
- 18 Jessica and Joshua Troike
- 24 Valerie and Steve Michels
- 25 Cindy and John Brunovsky



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**CHRISTIAN YOGA AT CRLC**

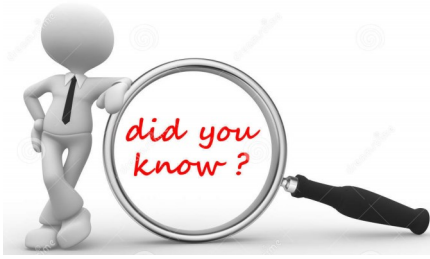
Renew your mind, body, and spirit on Mondays, 7:00 PM led by Jenna Waltz in Fellowship Hall. The cost is a free will offering. Bring your own yoga mat. For more information please contact Jenna at [jenna.waltz@gmail.com](mailto:jenna.waltz@gmail.com)



**ALTAR FLOWERS**



Please sign up on the flower chart in the Narthex Message Center to reserve a Sunday or call the church office to reserve your date. Cost of flowers is \$35 and you can place your check in the offering plate (or send it in the mail), marked **Altar Flowers**. Flowers can be picked up after the second service.



- ◆ Did you know that a volunteer crew was able to get our new outdoor pew benches for the chapel? Thanks to all of them and to Karl Koubal for the transport.
- ◆ Did you know that All Saints Sunday is always celebrated on the first Sunday in November? Again, this year we will remember those who have lost a loved one, plus recognized the death of any of our members since All Saints Sunday last year.

- ◆ Did you know that next month we will be receiving the time and talent surveys, as well as the estimate of giving cards? You are encouraged to complete these as you can.
- ◆ Did you know that our adult Sunday school class is studying the potential new ELCA statement on Civic Life and faith?
- ◆ Do you know that the ELCA National Youth Gathering will next occur in the summer of 2024? The host city will be New Orleans. The youth will be registering this fall.
- ◆ Did you know we have twenty-four members who are now refreshed in CPR and in use of our AED.
- ◆ Did you know that in order to publicize something in the [newsletter](#) we need it by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior?

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Stewardship Sunday 8:00a Worship 9:15a Sunday School for All 10:30a Worship	2 7:00p Yoga 7:30p AA Meeting	3 10:00a Staff Meeting	4 10:00a Ladies Bible Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal 7:30p AA Back to the Beginning	5 7:00p Ladies Bible Study	6	7
8 8:00a Worship 9:15a Sunday School for All 10:30a Worship	Columbus Day 9 7:00p Yoga 7:30p AA Meeting	10 10:00a Staff Meeting	11 6:15p Ruah! Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal 7:30p AA Back to the Beginning	12 6:45p Kiwanis	13	14
15 8:00a Worship 9:15a Sunday School for All 10:30a Worship <b>Monthly INSIGHT Deadline</b>	16 7:00p Yoga 7:30p AA Meeting	17 10:00a Staff Meeting	18 10:00a Faithful Readers 7:00p Choir Rehearsal 7:30p AA Back to the Beginning	19	20	21
22 8:00a Worship 9:15a Sunday School for All 10:30a Worship	23 7:00p Yoga 7:30p AA Meeting	24 10:00a Staff Meeting 11:30a Ladies Lunch Bunch	25 7:00p Choir Rehearsal 7:30p AA Back to the Beginning	26	27	28
29 <b>Reformation Sunday</b> Confirmation Day 8:00a Worship 9:15a Sunday School for All 10:30a Worship <b>11:30a Reformation Dinner</b>	30 7:00p Yoga 7:30p AA Meeting	<b>Halloween 31</b> Reformation Day 10:00a Staff Meeting				
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