

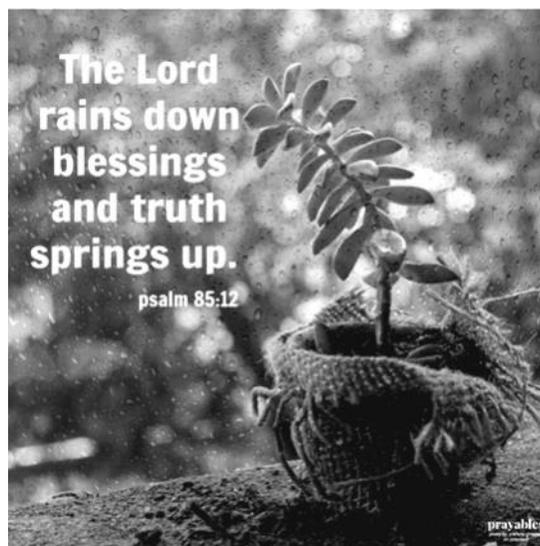
**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**220 S. Main Street**  
**DeForest, WI 53532**  
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## *The Door Post*

*Ask, and it will be given you;  
search, and you will find;  
knock, and the door will be opened for you.*  
*Matthew 7:8*

**May 2022**



**JOIN US FOR  
SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Services at 8am & 10:30am  
 Sunday School at 9:15 am  
 Adult Bible Study at 9:20 am  
 Christlutherandeforest.org  
 Or YouTube.com

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**CHURCH OFFICE**

Mon–Thurs 9:00-3:00

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Pastor Sue Beadle

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***Easter Breakfast Thank You!***

A hearty note of thanks goes out to everyone who helped with the Easter Breakfast. We appreciate all those who donated food, and volunteered their time to serve and decorate. The fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended.

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MAY DOOR POST - MARCH 2022 RESULTS**

**COMBINED GENERAL & BUILDING-DEBT SERVICE FUNDS**

	March, 2022		Year to Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Offerings/Donations/Misc	\$ 35,729.43	\$ 32,851.68	\$ 119,921.43	\$ 98,555.04
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 35,729.43	\$ 32,851.68	\$ 119,921.43	\$ 98,555.04
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
CLC Expenses	\$ 36,416.46	\$ 33,669.84	\$ 104,254.80	\$ 101,009.52
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 36,416.46	\$ 33,669.84	\$ 104,254.80	\$ 101,009.52
<b>Total Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ (687.03)</b>	<b>\$ (818.16)</b>	<b>\$ 15,666.63</b>	<b>\$ (2,454.48)</b>

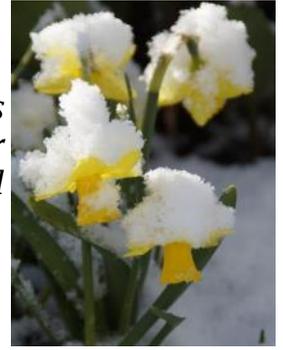
**Note:** Members have always contributed weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually. Annual contributions received in January was \$26,200; \$4,000 in February and \$5,000 in March. Despite the additional contributions there was still a small deficit of \$687.03. Higher than normal utility costs due to the gas prices have also contributed to the budget deficit. Thank you for your contributions!

## *Pastor Sue's Newsletter Article*

May 2022

*Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before Him and prepares the way for His steps.*

(Psalm 85:11-13)



I think because I've lived in the Midwest my entire life, I have trust issues when it comes to Spring. Have we ever really had beautiful Springtimes here in the upper Midwest? I can't seem to recall too many—maybe a few days here or there. Winter rears its ugly head time and again and cover the crocuses and daffodils as they try to poke their heads above the ground. As much as I love Winter (and I love Winter!), by April I really don't want to see snow or wear my winter coat anymore. I long for the green to return to the grass, for flowers to blossom and bushes to bloom. I feel like a hibernating bear peering out from the front door seeing if it's safe to come out and play again!

Of all the seasons, I think I marvel the most at Spring. Out of the ground each Spring, my daffodils bloom again; I see my tulips pushing their way through the surface; my purple crocuses dot the front yard, and I can see the leaves starting to emerge on the hickory and oak trees in the back yard. And what is amazing to me is that they have done all this on their own! I definitely do not have a green thumb. Plants usually beg me not to take them home with me, so I greatly appreciate flowers and shrubs that spring back to life all on their own—simply because that is how God created them.

The beauty and tenacity of Spring remind me of God's tenacious and beautiful love. God keeps clearing the way for our faith to bloom and grow—all we have to do is trust Him. Even when we seem to be buried far underneath, deep in the ground where no light can penetrate, we have God's promise of resurrection that because Jesus lives, we too shall live. God is always making things new, including us. During those times when I have felt buried deep in the ground, I came to realize that those were times when God strengthened my faith. I kept reaching for His light until one day, when the time was right, my head poked up again from the darkness and beheld the glory of new life. I wish you all a glorious Springtime, seeing the earth come back to life and feeling the promise of new life in you.

God's Abiding Peace,  
Pastor Sue





## Bible Readings

### Week of May 1

Acts 9:1-9

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

### Week of May 8

Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

### Week of May 15

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35

### Week of May 22

Acts 16:9-15

Psalm 67

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

John 14:23-29

### Week of May 29

Acts 16:16-34

Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17,

20-21

John 17:20-26



Marlene Alsmo	5/3
Paul Hagen	5/5
Ronald Haug	5/7
Lloyd Denman	5/9
Carol Mell	5/10
Nelda Noltemeyer	5/17
Nick Geeslin	5/18
Rachel Anderson	5/22
Paul Ethun	5/24
Bill Scholz	5/25
Gary Manke	5/26
Wayne Noltemeyer	5/27
Larry Sobyak	5/30

## *Holy Baptism*



April 24, 2022

**Carley Rose Gates**

Daughter of Joseph Gates

And Nicole Gates

*Men's Bible Study*

*Starts May 1, 2022*

*8 am in the Friendship Room*

## Deacon Bonnie's Blurb

**Spiritual Discipline** lists include many things. We've been working our way through them. One of the Disciplines (a practice that brings us closer in our relationship with God) that I've just not mentioned is **Fellowship**. I have not mentioned it, because we have literally been discouraged from fellowship for a couple of years.

The spiritual discipline of fellowship is defined as: **Engaging with other disciples in the common activities of worship, study, prayer, celebration, and service, which sustain our life together and enlarge our capacity to experience more of God.**

Most of us have had fellowship, of course, carefully and limited. But things are opening and so it is now a good time to look at it and celebrate this principle. The Bible helps us in our practice.

**Hebrews 10:21-25** says "Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together."

**Psalm 133:1-3** says "How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity."

And, my favorite: **Matthew 18:20** "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Our strength as Christians is in unity and community. We can join and rejoice with our fellow members and fellow followers of our Lord.

See you in church!

Deacon Bonnie



For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."  
Matthew 18:20

## DeFo Fights Hunger

**Thank you to our members who volunteered to pack meals with the FFA!**



**Thank you to the members who donated to the project. We raised \$548, which provided nearly 1100 meals to help fight hunger in our community.**



## *We Need Men and Women to Serve as Stephen Ministers*

We are once again in the process of recruiting Stephen Ministers for Christ Lutheran's Stephen Ministry. We were not able to begin training for our second group of Stephen Ministers in January as originally planned. We now plan to start the new Stephen Ministers' class in mid-August. We need men and women of all ages who are called to this important ministry.

Stephen Ministers:

- ✦ are lay Christians selected, trained, and supervised by Stephen Leaders to provide effective care;
- ✦ make a commitment which includes 50 hours of training, ongoing peer supervisory meetings and regular visits (typically an hour per week) with the person receiving their care;
- ✦ are named after St. Stephen, one of the first deacons in the early Christian church, commissioned by the apostles to care for the needs of people in the Christian community;
- ✦ recognize this confidential ministry in which continuous effort is expended to maintain the body of trust between the person receiving care and the care giver.

We have many needs for care in our congregation for people experiencing grief because of death, divorce, a terminal illness, loss of job, relocation, an empty nest, retirement, hospitalization, loneliness and many other stresses or challenges life brings. Often people with needs suffer silently or do not request or receive the care they need.

Everyone benefits from a Stephen Ministry at Christ Lutheran Church. Stephen Ministers grow greatly as they learn about helping themselves. As hurting members of our congregation grow stronger through this caring ministry, the whole church is built up and made stronger. And, of course we can all have the confident knowledge that when the pains of life come our way, someone will be there to care for us to bring God's love in a special personal way.

Perhaps God is calling you to become one of these caring committed servants—a Stephen Minister who offers His love to those who are hurting! Please pray about it. If interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, or if you have questions about the program, please contact Stephen Leaders Vicky Heimbecker (608-206-0632), David Erickson (608-513-9137), or Pastor Sue Beadle (608-846-4718).

We will be holding several informational meetings in the Friendship Room over the next few weeks. Watch for details about these informational meetings in the Sunday bulletins!

Thank you.



## *Confirmation Parent's Meeting*



June 7th at 6:30pm there will be meeting for the parents of incoming 7th and 8th graders. This a very important meeting for parents of all confirmation students. If you have any question conflicts please contract the office.

## *First Communion Class*

Parents of current fourth, fifth or sixth grade students who have not yet had a First Communion may sign their child up for the class that Pastor Sue is now organizing. Either call or email the church office to join the class list. The class will be August 17th from 9am to 1 pm. The First Communion service will be August 28th at 9 am. Look for a letter to come, and call the office if you have any questions.

## *Happy Mother's Day!*



Wishing all mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures a very blessed and beautiful Mother's Day, on Sunday, May 8th.



*BSA Upcoming events*  
Brat Bust at Ace Hardware  
May 21st from 11 am to 2 pm  
Come out and support the kids!



## *Memorial Day Honors and Remembrances*



CLC would like to take a moment to honor our fallen soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the fight for freedom and remember the families who have lost those loved ones. God bless our heroes and their families.



**Ushers**

1 May 8:00 am Team Ringhand  
 1 May 10:30 am Team Kvalheim

8 May 8:00 am Team Lockman  
 8 May 10:30 am Team Emerson

15 May 8:00 am Team Janovitz  
 15 May 10:30 am Team Blau

22 May 9:00 am Team Paulson

29 May 9:00 am Team Campbell



**Readers**

1 May 8:00 am Nora Geach  
 1 Apr 10:30 am Anne Emerson

8 May 8:00 am Jane Cahill-Wolfgram  
 8 May 10:30 am Beth Erickson

15 May 8:00 am Tim Thompson  
 15 May 10:30 am Gus Knitt

22 May 9:00 am Scott Stenberg

29 May 9:00 am Vicki Sobczak



**Acolytes**

1 May 8:00 am Aubrey Feldman  
 Brayden Vieau

1 May 10:30 am Ayden Harmon  
 TBA

8 May 8:00 am Eli Atkinson  
 Brayden Vieau

8 May 10:30 am Isabelle Emerson  
 TBA

15 May 8:00 am Brad Powers  
 TBA

15 May 10:30 am TBA  
 TBA

22 May 9:00 am Michael Pertzborn  
 TBA

29 May 9:00 am TBA  
 TBA

*Service Times  
Change May 22nd!*

Service times will change back to **ONE** service at **9:00 am** starting **May 22nd** until Labor Day. Town hall meeting to follow the May 22nd Service in Fellowship Hall. Coffee and snacks will be offer..

*175th Anniversary  
Cookbook Update*

We are ready to send our cookbook to print! Before we do that we need an idea of how many cookbooks to order. The cost of each cookbook will be \$20 and you will pay for them when you receive them, approx. 4-6 weeks after we place our order.

Please see Jen Lockman or Deb Bursaw after the services today to give us an idea of how many you'd like to order. You may also contact the church office. Please let us know by May 8, 2022.



## Please help Norski Nibbles this year!

The Norski Nibbles summer free lunch program for hungry kids in the DeForest Area School District will start serving lunches on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. With over 800 students eligible for free or reduced lunches in the DeForest Area School District, there will be a lot of hungry children in need of a nutritious meal. **Norski Nibbles** can fill that need with your help!!!

We will once again be asking for volunteers to hand out the lunches at three local parks. The weeks for Christ Lutheran Church have not been assigned yet. **Please** watch for an announcement in the Sunday Bulletin when we will ask members to sign up on the CLC website.

The need in our community is great! Last year, 2021, we distributed approximately **5,400** lunches. Please feel free to share this information with groups or individuals who would be interested in helping the kids of our community.

For more information, please contact Bob Mathweg, 608-772-3893

or [NorskiNibbles@gmail.com](mailto:NorskiNibbles@gmail.com).

## Thank you for your generosity!!!



*Memorial Service for*

*Millie Anderson*

*Will be*

*May 28, 2022*

*9:30 Visitation*

*11:00 Memorial Service*

*Followed by Luncheon*



## *Ukraine Relief*

Thank you to the Confirmation Students and their parents for all the baked goods that were sold along with the art projects that the students made. With all their work \$753.30 was raised for the Ukraine relief.





2022



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 Name Tag Sunday</b> 8 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School (last day) 9:20 am Adult Ed - CR 10:30 am Worship	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 5:30 pm Property Committee—FR 6:30 pm Cub Scouts - Den 35 FH, NK 6:45 pm DeForest Study Club—FR	<b>4</b> 8 am Men's Bible Study—FR 6 pm Bell Practice—S 6 pm Confirmation— <b>8th Grade only</b> 7 pm Choir Practice—FR	<b>5</b> 6:30 pm Scouts Troop 35—FH, NK, G	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8 MOTHER'S DAY</b> 8 am Worship 10:30 am Worship 3 pm Girl Scouts Trip 2165 - NK 	<b>9</b> 9 am Quilters - NK 6 pm Girl Scout Trip 8217 - NK	<b>10</b> 6:30 pm Cub Scouts - Den 35 FH, NK 10 am C3 - Fr	<b>11</b> 8 am Men's Bible Study—FR 6 pm Confirmation—NK <b>8th Grade only</b> 7 pm Choir Practice—FR	<b>12</b> 6:30 pm Scouts Troop 35—FH, NK, G 6:30 Scout Pack Mtg—NK	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
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<b>29</b> 9 am Worship	<b>30 MEMORIAL DAY</b>	<b>31</b> 6:30 pm Cub Scout Pack 35—FH, NK				NK = Nurse Korner FH = Fellowship Hall FR = Friendship Room K = Kitchen S = Sanctuary CR = Conference Room CL = Class Rooms G = Garage