

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June & July 2008

REPORT ON CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HELD MAY 4

At the congregational meeting of May 4, Church Council elections were held. The following people were elected to serve for two years: Kay Bailey, Diana Dudgeon, Eldon Peterson, Rhonda White, and Joy Williams. We will have the blessing and installation of Council Members on Sunday, June 22 during worship. Our sincere gratitude to those who have completed their terms: Hank Fitzgerald, Pastor Jim Hughes, Marilyn Clapp, and Seth Patton. We have been so blessed by your faithful and gracious leadership, and we thank you!

Church Council Picnic will be held at the home of Seth & Linda Patton on Tuesday, June 10 at 5:00 p.m. All Council Members including those who are about to complete their term and those who are newly elected are invited. Council families welcome. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE
FROM MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND THROUGH
LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

WORSHIP: 8:30 & 10:00 A.M.

Fellowship time between the services. Sign-up sheet is in the lobby if you would like to bring some simple breakfast refreshments to share.

Sunday School recesses for the summer.

Special Music will be shared during the summer worship services.

Weddings

We rejoice with the following couples who will be married this summer:

June 7- Lynsey Pyle & Nathan Whisner

June 14- Lindsey Strohacker & Brian Tate

July 19- Nikkee Hurles & Curtis Pyle

July 26- Lindsey Chrislip & Daniel Fawcett

Baptisms

On Sunday, May 11 we celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for James Jordan Coots, Mary Ann Coots, Lindsey Marie Strohacker, and Kaylee Ann Nicole Strohacker. We rejoice with them and their families.

On Sunday, June 8 we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Caleb James Kretzmann.

Births

Frank Annarino IV is the newborn son of Frank & Beth Annarino. He was born May 8, 2008. May God's blessings be with them all.

2008 GRADUATING SENIORS FROM HIGH SCHOOL will be recognized on Sunday, June 1 with prayer during worship.

We have received notice that the following young people will receive their high school diplomas:

Cyle Crouse, son of Laura Crouse, from Heath High School

Jordan Maier, son of Jeff & Sue Maier, from Heath High School

Jacob Claypool, son of David Claypool, from Heath High School

Brandon Llewellyn, son of Chuck & Tracy Davis, from Heath High School

Mary Ann Coots, daughter of Jim & Angie Coots from Licking Valley High School

Congratulations and blessing to our graduates!

New Members Classes will be offered on Sundays, June 1 and June 8 after the 10a.m worship service. All persons interested are welcome to attend. New Members will be received on Sunday, June 15 at either service.

OUR PRAYERS

During April and May we prayed for physical, spiritual, and emotional healing and comfort for Sue Bagent, Jim Landis, Marilyn Bodle, Gladys Rinehart, Joy Williams, Kathy Barger, Jean Downey, Alice Meagher, Kristin Krueger, Dick Morris, Megan White, Chris Joehlin, Curtis Pyle, Lindsey Andrews, John Markham, the Elliott Family, Sandy Maransky, Dave Armstrong, and others as requested by our church family. We prayed for comfort in grief for the Paul Marinelli Family, the Family of Carol Rector, the Stern Family, the Family of Viki Davis, the Family of Oral Selliken, the Clifford Smock Family, the James Kimple Freer Family; James lost his life in service to his country in Iraq. We continued to offer prayers for safety and strength for our service people serving throughout the world, especially Mike Selvage, Rich Horst, Steve Selvage, and Curtis Pyle, as well as prayers of thanksgiving for our many blessings.

PASTOR KRIS & FAMILY will be out of state ON VACATION June 28 through July 12
Pastor Dick Burgie (344-1620) will be on-call **in case of emergency** during that time. Pastor Kris will be back for Worship services on Sunday, July 13.

NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Friends of Christ Lutheran,

Your many prayers and good wishes for my sister while she fought so hard against her cancer meant so much. I appreciate all the hugs and many cards.

Thank you for caring so much.
Marilyn Clapp & Family

Dear Friends,

Thanks so much for your gift of love and support for the women, men, and children served by the mission and ministry of Lutheran World Relief. Your gift to LWR brings help and

hope to some of the world's most impoverished families in far corners of our world.

With your gift and gifts from others like you, farmers in the Philippines learn how to improve crop yields so their families have enough food to eat all year; women's groups in Mali have access to literacy programs to help their weaving businesses become successful and sustainable; impoverished communities in El Salvador learn how to protect local water systems to improve their health and living conditions; and young children and pregnant mothers in Tanzania learn how to protect themselves from the life-threatening disease, malaria. These are just a few examples of your gift at work today.

We encourage you to stay informed about the work you support. Please visit www.lwr.org to learn more about the impact of your gift and your prayers, and feel free to call us with questions or concerns at 800-LWR-LWR-2 (597-5972), or e-mail us at lwr@lwr.org.

On behalf of everyone at Lutheran World Relief, please accept my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

In Christ's peace,
John Arthur Nunes
President and CEO

Dear Friends at Christ,

Thank you for your gift to Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio. We are grateful and humbled by your faithful stewardship of God's good gifts. Christ-centered community is happening at our camps and God's love abounds. The trees are budding, birds are chirping and spring is in the air. Many people are served through this ministry. Our camps are beginning preparation for the upcoming summer camp season. A full schedule of all of our programs can be found at our website: www.lomocamps.org. We appreciate your financial contribution to this ministry. With your support we continue to provide a time and place apart. Your prayers and gifts do make a difference!

Sincerely, In Christ,
Penny R. Christensen
Executive Director

BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING SUMMER HOURS

Blood pressures will be taken **between services** (9:15-10:00) ON THE FIRST Sunday of the month during the summer. You may request a parish nurse to take your blood pressure during any visit to church.

Your parish nurses are: Kay Bailey, Kathy Bigler, Judy Deaver, Linda Edwards, Lisa Mye, Karen Schmidt, Joyce Williams, and Becky Wilson.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES FOOD FOR SENIORS

For several years Marguerite Cooley has faithfully delivered canned and boxed food to help seniors. There is a box in the hallway close to the church office for collection of the food items. Please consider bringing some food items seniors can use to supplement their food budget. If each family could bring one or two items a month, the box would overflow. Thanks for your help with this ministry.

A SPECIAL INVITATION

The sewing group which meets the fourth Tuesday of each month would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to experience some good fellowship while helping with the ministry of making lap robes which are given to patients in health care facilities. Do not be discouraged if you can't sew. Sewing is not a requirement. The group has been fortunate to have received some large donations of material. However, with the small number of participants, they cannot utilize the material as they would like. Remember: the fourth Tuesday of each month from 9:30am till 2pm. Bring a sack lunch and join the fun.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Dear Fellow Members,

We would like to thank you for the generous contributions to the Prayer Shawl Ministry. This will enable us to purchase the lovely soft yarn we use to make these shawls. We feel that you too realize the importance of this ministry.

Janice Schulz for the Prayer Shawl Ministry

Free Community Picnic and Concert with the Licking County 4-H Band

Date: Sunday, June 15 Time: 2pm

The Picnic is free and open to the entire community and congregation. This is the "summer version" of our quarterly Community Dinners which we share in the hospitality of Jesus with all our neighbors in the larger community. Hot dogs, traditional picnic fare, and of course- ice cream! We are so grateful to welcome the Licking County 4-H Band. Bring family and friends and enjoy! Bring a lawn chair to sit on. Help will be needed with food items, set-up, and clean-up. Sign ups will be posted in the church lobby.

Our thanks to Carol Hughes and Dick Bailey for Coordinating the Picnic!

Free Puppy/Dog Obedience Classes are being offered by Nancy Kraning on Monday evenings from June 2 through June 30- 7-8pm. Nancy is a dog trainer and wishes to share this training as a support to church members with pets. Church members of all ages are welcome to attend, but children must be 10 years old to participate in the training and have one parent present with them.

Each participant is responsible for the following: bring a leather lead and a metal choaker collar, have all shots updated, bring water and treats for your dog, bring plastic grocery bags.

Classes will be held in the side yard across the driveway of the church. Puppies and dogs of all ages can be trained. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Kraning.

MEMORIAL/HONOR GARDEN BRICKS

Memorial or Honor garden bricks may now be purchased. Profit from the sale of bricks will go into the church landscaping fund. Forms are available; see Kay Bailey or Joyce Williams. Please call Kay Bailey at 366-1736 with any questions. You will note that the form has three lines with blocks to fill in. Spaces between words and any punctuation will count as "letters". Once engraved, the lettering will be painted black, so that it will stand out.

The cost for the engraved brick is \$40.00. The brick must be paid for when the order is

placed. Orders will take approximately 8 weeks to arrive here. You may wish to order in advance of a special occasion. Remember your loved ones in a special way.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The dates have been set for this years VBS. They will be August 13th-16th. Wed. and Thurs. will be at Christ Lutheran from 6:30pm till 8:30pm. Fri. at 6:30 till dark (anyone who wants to stay and camp are welcome) and Sat. at 10am till evening will be at the Four Church Farm. Mark your calendars now. Any one who wants to help please see Lisa Mye or e-mail her at myebuckeyes@windstream.net. The next VBS planning meeting will be June 8th after the second service.

FRIENDSHIP & FAITH

Adult Bible Study, prayer, and friendship in Christ. Wed. evenings 7-8pm throughout the summer months.

Come when you can. Topics for reflection have been "The Psalms and our daily faith journey", and "the Power of Forgiveness". Friendship & Faith is a mid-week time for nurture of faith and friendships.

YOUTH MINISTRY

800 YOUNG ADULTS NEEDED FOR 2009 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

Organizers of the 2009 Youth Gathering of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) are enlisting the help of 800 young adults to be "servant companions" July 20-26, 2009. The gathering will attract 36,000 high school youth and adult leaders to New Orleans around the theme "Jesus Justice Jazz." Each servant companion will welcome, lead, facilitate and care for a group of 45 youth and their adult leaders throughout the gathering.

Servant companions must provide their own transportation to and from New Orleans and must commit to spending the full week at the gathering. The gathering will provide room and board. Training and orientation begin July 20. Lyle M. Griner, national director of peer ministry, the Youth & Family Institute, Bloomington, Minn., will coordinate a team of 27 coaches to lead the servant companions.

All applications are taken online at: <http://www.ELCA.org/gathering/> by following links

at "Gathering Volunteers (apply now)." The application includes a mandatory background check and reference check. Volunteers are needed also for the Gathering Volunteer Corps and Community Life. Registration brochures will be mailed to ELCA congregations in May 2008. Registration for the gathering opens September 15, 2008.

Story written by Frank Imhoff, ELCA News Service

YOUTH GROUP SUMMER PLANNING

MEETING will be held on Sunday, June 15 right after the 10a.m. service. We will meet in the social hall.

Youth who have completed grades 3- High School youth are welcome, parents too.

Christ Lutheran Cook Books are ready!

\$15 donation goes toward the Youth Ministry of Christ Lutheran Church, and will help our High School Youth work towards attending the 2009 Summer ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans. The cookbook contains recipes from church members and was assembled and bound by our Youth Group and parents. This is the first cookbook containing our congregation's recipes.

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

The Fellowship Ministry Team has arranged some great opportunities for fellowship this summer. Please sign up in the church lobby if you wish to participate in any of these Fellowship Activities. If you have any questions please see Todd Carmer or Ruth Fies.

1- Sat. July 12: Lutheran Social Services Day with the Columbus Clippers! Tickets are \$3 each or \$15 for 6 tickets. You can buy the tickets at church. Checks only made to Lutheran Social Services. Pre-game Christian bands, games and family fun at 5pm. Gametime is 7pm. All proceeds of ticket sales **BEFORE GAME NIGHT** go to the ministries of Lutheran Social Services.

LSS (Lutheran Social Services) is one of the largest social service agencies in the United States, and serves with food and clothing pantries, homeless shelters, housing for the elderly, and adoption services.

1- Sat. July 19: meet at church by 4pm and carpool to Raven's Glen Winery and

Restaurant near Coshocton. Ruth Fies is our contact person for this activity.

2- Sunday, August 10: Leave from church at 12noon to travel to The Carousel Dinner Theatre in Akron for the 3pm Matinee Dinner and 5pm Theatre performance.

Contact person is Todd Carmer.

3- Date to be announced... "Tecumseh" the Outdoor Drama in Chillicothe. This activity would be for both children and adults. We will announce a date, once the theatre posts their summer schedule.

Lois Antritt is the contact person.

BIRTHDAYS

June 2 Josh Groff
June 3 Yolanda Rosato
June 3 Bill Barclay
June 7 Kaitlyn White
June 7 Austin White
June 8 Donna Mitchell
June 9 Rob Calvert
June 9 Kevin Jarrett
June 10 Denney Morris
June 10 Carla Chaney
June 12 Dennis Spearman
June 12 Mackenzie Ebel
June 13 Mary Morris
June 13 Matthew Claypool
June 14 Barb Moody
June 15 Joe Ebel
June 16 Jacob Jewell
June 16 David Claypool
June 17 James Hitchcock
June 17 Mason Van Dyke
June 18 Rich Crouse
June 19 Corey Joehlin
June 21 Pam Harrold
June 21 Carolyn Jones
June 23 Vince Swinehart
June 23 Bryson Davis
June 26 Jake Brooks
June 28 Seth Patton
June 28 Joey Alexander
June 30 Becky Barger

ANNIVERSARIES

June 2 Paul & Alice Krauss
June 3 Jay & Chris Fisher
June 10 Mason & Yvette Van Dyke
June 11 Eldon & Carolyn Peterson
June 14 Bill & Marilyn Clapp
June 15 Jeff & Sue Maier
June 16 Phil & Donna Mitchell
June 21 Seth & Linda Patton
June 23 Bob & Karen Schmidt
June 24 Chad & Robin Elliott
June 25 Joe & Carolyn Jones
June 26 Jack & Mary Ann Guilkey
June 27 Mike & Shirley Groseclose
June 30 Larry & Linda Kretzmann
June 30 Dave & Lynda McKitrick
June 30 Dante & Erin Smith

BIRTHDAYS

July 3 Trevor Mye
July 5 Bryan Armstrong
July 6 Shirley Crane
July 7 Sue Swinehart
July 8 Earlene Holman
July 11 Larry Kretzmann
July 15 Alyssa Calvert
July 20 Judy Deaver
July 20 Lynda McKitrick
July 20 Madelynn Alexander
July 21 Carolyn Colburn
July 21 Ashley Ebel
July 24 Betty Meyer
July 26 Todd Chaney
July 27 Mary Ann Guilkey
July 29 Alice Meagher
July 30 Roger Yekisa
July 31 Linda Patton
July 31 Frank Edwards
July 31 Jaraka Claypool

ANNIVERSARIES

July 3 Jim & Kim Braskie
July 13 Larry & Denise Ploetz
July 17 Greg & Elizabeth Gardner
July 18 Jarrod & Dianne Sullivan
July 24 Mark & Amy Block
July 27 Joey & Heidi Alexander
July 30 Robert & Andrea Bowermaster

