

# THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

OCTOBER 2009



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## Annual "Blessing of the Animals" Sunday, October 4th

**3:00 p.m. The Blessing of the Animals.**

**October 4<sup>th</sup>** is a day on which many churches remember our responsibility to care for all of God's creation and creatures by having a "blessing of the animals".

This is the date when we remember St. Francis of Assisi and how he taught people to care for all creation. You are welcome to bring any pets you have from home for a blessing.

**October 4th: Meeting for 9<sup>th</sup> graders who are prepared for "Affirmation of Baptism" also called "Confirmation". Parents received a letter and are asked to attend with their child. We'll meet after the 10:30 am service in the social hall.**

**Sunday, October 11- Candle Lighting and Prayers for Persons with Mental Illness** This is an annual observance among many Lutheran congregations across the nation. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in prayer for all persons who live each day facing mental illness. Together, we can help stop the taboo against mental illness and prayerfully share the light of compassion and education and support for all who live with mental illnesses and all who love them.

**Sunday, October 18: Lutheran Youth Encounter Group "Captive Free" will**

lead Sunday School hour for all ages together in the social hall, beginning at 9:15am.

**10:30 am Worship will include the ANNUAL CHILDREN'S SABBATH AND WORSHIP LED BY CAPTIVE FREE!**

**Sunday, Oct 25: Reformation Sunday**  
**10:30 am 9<sup>th</sup> Graders, who have completed two full years of Catechism, will be confirmed by Affirmation of Baptism.** We welcome everyone to stay for a Reception after the 10:30 am service to rejoice with our youth who are confirmed.

**Worship & Music Ministry Team meets**  
**Tuesday, Oct 20 at 7pm**

### **Births**

Isabella Dory Crider was born August 18, 2009. We rejoice with her mother, Marybeth Crider and with grandmother Barbara Crider.

### **Funerals**

Camille Jewart passed into eternal life on Sept 3, 2009. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service was held at the church on September 6. We pray that God's tender compassion surround all of Camille's family, and her daughters Diana (DeDe) Dudgeon, and Becky Jewart.

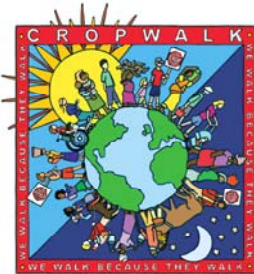
### **OUR PRAYERS**

During August and September we offered prayers for healing for Joy Williams, Carl Crase, Wilma Mathews, Dick Morris, Bud Brooks, Heather Bonner, Betty Meyer, Sue Bagent, Becky Barger, Michael Bell, Craig Holman, Mary Ann Guilkey, Michael Bell, Christina Kennedy, Kathy Bigler, Ruth Fies, John Markham, Wilma Krueger, Anne Carmer,

Cathy Rudd, Jim Hickman, Alice Meagher, Mary Lou Bradley, Barb Bell, and others as requested by our church family. We prayed for comfort in grief for the Family of Irene Reeb, the Family of Alice Whitis, Grandma Hattie, the Family of Ruth Cornell, the Family of Vickie Chanel, the Hatcher Family, Rick Nabors & Family, the Family of Camille Jewart, the Family of Kerri McSweeney, the Family of Captain John Hallet, the Family of Vivian McElfresh, the Family of Sam Vance, the Hazel Sterling Family, and the Family of Caroline Schermerhorn. Our prayers for safety and strength continued for our service people serving far from home, especially, Trent Harter, Kaileigh Radabaugh, Jonathan Ferguson, Dwayne Edwards and we offered prayers of thanksgiving for the safe return to the US from Iraq of Randy Record, Jr. and Jason Nickles. We asked for God's blessings and guidance through various other petitions.

**Pastor Kris will be out of the office from Sunday afternoon, October 4 through Saturday, Oct 10. Pastor Jim Hughes will be on-call in case of emergency 344-8378. Sally Kennedy, Church Secretary is in the office on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 9am-2pm if you need to contact the church while Pastor is away. If it is an emergency, you can call Pastor Jim Hughes directly.**

## OUTREACH MINISTRY



### **CROP WALK—Sunday, October 18**

*“You can make a difference.”*

This is our church's largest cooperative county-wide event for the world. CROP Walks are a way to have fun and raise funds to alleviate hunger at home and around the world. Of funds raised, 25% will stay here locally for the Food Pantry Network.

The Walk will be on the bike path from OSU-N (Hopewell Hall) to the YMCA and back. Registration is at 1p.m. and the Walk starts at 1:30. Please join us. When you walk in a CROP Walk, you walk with the world. You can pick up sponsor sheets at the church. If you are unable to walk, please be a sponsor for one of the walkers.

Thank you!

### **GOSPEL CELEBRATION CONCERT TO BENEFIT LICKING CO. COALITION OF CARE**

The Licking County Coalition of Care will have its second signature fundraising event on **Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.** at the historic Midland Theater. In keeping with the collaborative, faith-based focus of the Coalition of Care, this event gathers diverse talent from our local community for a **Gospel Celebration Concert!** The participants are **Christian Life Center Sanctuary Choir, Shawna Corder—Soloist, Denison Gospel Choir, Frosty Morning Band, Newark High School Concert Choir and Southgate A capella Singers.** This event will support the Coalition of Care's mission to put God's Love into action by helping those in our community with physical and spiritual needs. We hope that you, your family and friends can attend this event. Tickets can be purchased through the Midland Theater by visiting their web site, [www.midlandtheatre.org](http://www.midlandtheatre.org) or by calling 345-LIVE. **Contact the Coalition of Care at 670-9700 if you have any questions about this event or the work of the Coalition of Care.**



### **--The Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry Kick-Off is October 18**

The Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse, a global Christian charity organization. Pick up a pamphlet from church and pack a shoebox following the directions on the pamphlet. Enclose \$7 for shipping and return the wrapped shoebox with the shipping money already inside your wrapped shoebox. All wrapped and prepared shoeboxes need to be returned to the church by Sunday, November 15.

We will dedicate the shoeboxes during worship on Sunday, Nov. 15. Thank you for your help with this gracious ministry for children around the world and in our own locale.

## **MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOL CHILDREN -M.O.P.S meets again each month starting Sat, October 24.**

**Time: 10:00am meeting in the nursery**  
After a little summer break, the MOPS group will resume this month! This is a great group for Christian moms to connect and share. Bring your children with you!  
Contact Yvette VanDyke or Susan Falkenberg if you have questions. All moms and children in preschool and under are welcome!

## **FOOD FOR SENIORS**

The collection box for food just inside the doors in the entryway is used for food taken to senior citizens who need help with groceries. This is a different program from the Licking County Food Pantry. It is supervised by Catholic Social Services and our church contact person is Marguerite Cooley. One service offered is to provide a two-day supply of food for seniors returning home from a nursing home stay. Please help support this ministry by picking up a few cans or packages of nonperishable food items when you do your grocery shopping and bringing them to church.

## **ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES**

Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing food relief to communities throughout the USA. Angel Food distributes about 500,000 units nationwide each month. Heath Church of Christ is a host site and Sue Brown is the Host Site Director.

The basic unit is a signature box which costs \$30 and assists in feeding a family of 4 for about a week. It has an average retail value of \$60. Special boxes and convenience meals are also available each month. There is a special Thanksgiving holiday box that can be preordered from September 1 through October 28. The box may then be picked up at the Heath site in November. There is a sample menu on Christ Lutheran's bulletin board. Food can be ordered on line at

[www.heathchurchofchrist.com](http://www.heathchurchofchrist.com) and clicking the Angel Food order link. Payment for orders placed online is with debit or credit cards. Orders may also be placed at Heath Church of Christ during designated times with payment of cash, EBT cards, and credit or debit cards.

For more information, contact Angel Food Ministries at Heath Church of Christ. The telephone number is 522-8402.

## **Bible Study**

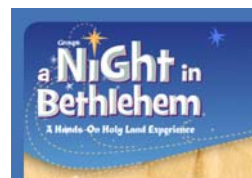


## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRIES**

**Faith & Friendship Adult Bible Study will meet on Thursdays, Oct 22 through Nov 12 at 7:00pm.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING IN THE SOCIAL HALL BEGINS EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:15AM!** Then we dismiss to our separate classes. Please join us for the OPENING! Our thanks to Kathy Mehler for leading the Sunday School Opening.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES, BEGINNING WITH 2 YEARS OLD....ALL THE WAY THROUGH TO ADULT CLASS.** We are grateful for our Sunday School Teachers!-- Christi Brooks, Chris Fisher, Eric Santiago, Yvette & Mason Van Dyke, Dianne Sullivan, Faye Landis, Denny Morris, and Pastor Jim Hughes.



**"A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM"** is a one evening Christian Education event for Families- Adults and Children, all ages. This is a wonderful way to celebrate the gift of the birth of Jesus Christ. Date is Friday, Dec. 18, evening. We need volunteers to help prepare this event! If you can help, please talk to Yvette Van Dyke.

## **YOUTH GROUPS NEWS**

**Christ Lutheran Church is so blessed to have 2 youth groups!**

- 1. Rising Christians- grades 3-6**
  - 2. Light of Lutherans- grades 7-12**
- Both youth groups meet every second Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am worship service.**

## **Youth Activities in October:**

**Saturday, Oct 3: Both Youth Groups** and their families are welcome to meet at Buckeye Lake Pizza Cottage at 5pm for supper together. Then we go next-door to the Buckeye Lake KOA Camp for fun at Mike & Shirley Groseclose's "Haunted Barn". **Cost for each family for your pizza and \$4 per person entrance to the Haunted Barn.** The youth groups visited the Haunted Barn in 2007 and found it great family fun!

**Time: 5pm for pizza** at Pizza Cottage, Buckeye Lake.

**7pm for entrance to the Haunted Barn** at the Buckeye Lake KOA Campground.

## **October Service Ministries for Youth:**

**CROP WALK- Sunday, Oct 18, 1pm.**

Youth under 18 must have parent's signature for permission to walk. Youth of any age can walk with parental permission.

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox**

**Ministry kicks-off Sunday, Oct. 18.**

Fill a shoebox and return it with \$7 for shipping by Sunday Nov. 15. Youth of all ages can fill a shoebox.

## **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WILL LEAD WORSHIP EVERY THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH BEGINNING IN OCTOBER.**

Our High School Sunday School class is asking to serve each month as Worship Assistants for the 10:30 am service. Thank you to our High School Youth and Teacher, Dianne Sullivan!

**Rising Christians vs. Light of Lutherans Youth Groups** are going to share some friendly competition to see who can raise the most funds for the Food Pantry Network of Licking County! The competition begins in October!

This is for a great cause!



## **YOUTH & FELLOWSHIP FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL!**

**When: Saturday, October 17**

**Time: Supper 5:30pm** (*byop, bring your own pizza to share, homemade or purchased*)

**6:00 pm Crafts and games for all ages.**

**Trunk or Treat: 7:00pm**

Trunk or Treat is for the children and youth. Adults from the church park our cars around the parking lot with the trunks facing outward. Some folks have a great time decorating their trunks festively for the evening! Each car has treats to share with the children.

**Who: For everyone, all ages.**

Children are welcome to dress in costumes for the evening. Kids bring a flashlight for extra safety in the parking lot. Bring a bag to collect treats.

**Parking: Please have your car parked and ready for Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot by 7:00pm** so that the children can safely walk around the parking lot and visit you and collect treats.

**Captive Free Band from Lutheran Youth Encounter will be with us this evening!**



**Rising Christians (grades 3-6) will host Brunch for Lunch!**  
**Sat. October 31 at 12 noon.**

**See the sign up sheet about this in the church lobby.** Youth in grades 8 and under are invited to participate along with adults who are over 60 who would like to be a spiritual mentor, a church grandparent, to one of the church youths. Children sign up with parental permission by October 18. Adults over 60 sign up also. Children will be matched with their church grandparent and attend brunch together. Grandparents will be asked to share some of your faith stories and what prayer means to you as you share brunch with the child you are matched with. Rising Christian Youth Group will host the brunch. This is a wonderful way for the children to get to know their spiritual, church family elders and learn from the faith of their elders.

**Both Youth Groups: Saturday, October 31**  
**Four Church Farm Bonfire 5:30pm**  
**Meet at the Farm at 6pm for hot dogs and fixin's and smores and games. Youth and their families welcome!** Directions for the Four Church Farm are available in the church office and sanctuary.

### **FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY NEWS**

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, October 10 at 8am.

**Women's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, October 17 at 8:30am.

**Fellowship Ministry Team will help with set up and clean up for the Oct. 17 Fall Festival. Fellowship Team will also set-up and clean-up the Sunday Oct. 25 Reception for 9<sup>th</sup> graders being confirmed.** If you would like to help with Fellowship Ministry Team, please contact Carol Hughes. Volunteers are needed to help set-up and clean-up at these activities.

### **NOTES OF THANKS**

#### **2009 Car Show Benefit!**

**A very special thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the 2009 Car Show Benefit held on Sept 19.** There were 75 cars registered in the car show, and approximately \$5000 total was donated by folks who supported the car show benefit and

supplemented by Thrivent for **Lutherans!** Your gracious support goes to help Audrianna Deal and her family with her medical expenses Audrianna lives with Rett's Syndrome. Thank you for your love in Christ! Thank you to Joyce Williams and Dick Bailey for being the Car Show "Co-Chiefs" in organizing the benefit! It was a truly blessed day.

Dear Pastor Kris & Congregation,

We simply could not do our job without you and the blood donors who play such a vital roll in supporting patients in need by donating blood at Christ Lutheran Church. Patients count on us, and thanks in part to your efforts, we save lives here in our community and across the country each day. Again, on behalf of the countless patients served by the American Red Cross, we thank you for your past and continued support!

Together, we can save a life

Jackie Mishler, Donor Recruitment Representative

Chris Copper, Senior Director, Donor Services

**A BIG THANK YOU** to ORFs Bill Anderson and Dave Colburn for digging and pulling out the old non-working light post from the side lot. We appreciate your help and dedication.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Oct. 2 Joy Williams  
Oct. 2 Jenna Sullivan  
Oct. 2 Faith Gainer  
Oct. 2 Jacob Burell  
Oct. 3 John Geller  
Oct. 3 Rhonda Geller  
Oct. 5 Dave Colburn  
Oct. 6 Kaitlin Fitzgerald  
Oct. 7 Christi Brooks  
Oct. 7 Joe Jones  
Oct. 8 Barbara Markham  
Oct. 10 Joyce Burrows  
Oct. 13 Anne Carmer  
Oct. 14 Lindsey Andrews  
Oct. 14 Janice Schulz  
Oct. 15 Dottie Hitchcock  
Oct. 16 Gladys Rinehart  
Oct. 19 Bud Brooks  
Oct. 22 Arlene Burgie  
Oct. 22 Denise Ploetz

Oct. 22 Hailey Quickle  
 Oct. 23 Kay Bailey  
 Oct. 23 Tate Elliott  
 Oct. 23 Miley Jo Block  
 Oct. 24 Hilde Hildebrandt  
 Oct. 24 Lisa Coulter  
 Oct. 27 Marilyn Bodle  
 Oct. 29 Jarrod Sullivan

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Oct. 4 Rod & Georgia Sheley  
 Oct. 6 John & Kim Geller  
 Oct. 9 Chuck & Tracy Davis  
 Oct. 11 David & Sheri Hunt-Fleming  
 Oct. 14 Ben & Christina Gainer  
 Oct. 16 Dave & Carolyn Colburn  
 Oct. 19 Craig & Earlene Holman

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**ASSISTING MINISTER**

Oct. 4 Diane Pyle

**ALTAR GUILD**

Sharon Mye & Lisa Zehnal

**HOST FAMILY**

Oct. 4 8:15am V. Blubaugh/J. Miller  
 10:30am T. & S. Falkenberg (Organ side)  
 L. Coulter/L. Hayes (Pulpit side)

**COUNTERS**

Oct. 4 Swank  
 Oct. 11 Chrislip  
 Oct. 18 Kretzmann  
 Oct. 25 Rosato

**USHERS**

**Head Usher: Williams Morris**  
**1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Oct. 4	Communion	Williams	Pyle//Morris
Oct. 11		Sheley	Van Dyke
Oct. 18		Groff	HS Youth
Oct. 25		Schmidt	Peterson

**ACOLYTES**

Oct. 4 Jenna Sullivan/Olivia Mirmohamed  
 Oct. 11 Jenna Sullivan/Olivia Mirmohamed  
 Oct. 18 Trevor Mye/Connor Van Dyke  
 Oct. 25 Crucifer Austin White:  
 Torchbearers: Jessica Sullivan  
 Abby Holman

**GREETERS**

Oct. 4 Lee & Becky Wilson  
 Oct. 11 Denney Morris  
 Oct. 18 HS Youth

Oct. 25 Mason & Yvette Van Dyke

**NURSERY**

Oct. 4 Kim Geller  
 Oct. 11 Anne & Taylor Carmer  
 Oct. 18 Becky Wilson  
 Oct. 25 Kay Bailey

**LAYREADERS**

Oct. 4	8:15am	Alice Krauss
	10:30am	Susan Falkenberg
Oct. 11	8:15am	Vickie Blubaugh
	10:30am	Chris Fisher
Oct. 18	8:15am	Carolyn Colburn
	10:30am	HS Youth
Oct. 25	8:15am	Gary Williams
	10:30am	Judy Deaver

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Oct. 4 Promise Puppets, D.Krueger/R. White  
 Oct. 11 Dianne Sullivan/ Jessica, Jenna, Dustin  
 Oct. 18 No Children's Church Today/  
 Oct. 25 Joy Williams/Kaitlyn White

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Oct. 4 are given to the Glory of God.  
Oct. 11 are given in honor of the wedding anniversary of David & Carolyn Colburn.  
Oct. 18 are given in honor of the birthday of Gladys Rinehart.  
Oct. 25 are given by Gary Mras in honor of the birthday of Cathy Mras..

**NURSES**

1<sup>st</sup> Service  
 8:15 – Joyce Williams & Karen Schmidt  
 Ross & Pam Shannon  
2<sup>nd</sup> Service  
 10:30 –Lisa Coulter

**Blood pressures will be taken Oct. 11, the SECOND SUNDAY of the month, following each worship service.**

**VOLUNTEER PARISH NURSES WILL TAKE MEMBERS OR VISITOR BLOOD PRESSURES ANYTIME ON REQUEST. PHARMACIST JONI MILLER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CHECK MEDICATIONS.**

# October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>Sept 30</b> 6:30pm "Night in Bethlehem" planning meeting Chancel Choir 7:15pm	1 A.B.L.E Class 9am-12p Office Hours 9am-2pm Girl Scouts 3-5pm GS Leaders 7-8pm	2 Office Hours 9am-2pm	3 Youth Group Trip Buckeye Lake KOA Haunted House 7pm Pizza 5pm
4 Holy Communion Meeting for 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmands & parents After 10:30 am worship 3pm- Blessing of the Animals	5 TOPS til 6:45pm Folk Legends 6:45pm  <i>Pastor Kris away ... 10/5---10/10</i>	6 Office Hours 9am-2pm A.B.L.E. Class 9am-12p 7pm- Neurobiological Support Group  <i>...Pastor Jim Hughes..</i>	7 6:30pm Chimes Chancel Choir 7:15pm  <i>..is on-call for.....</i>	8 A.B.L.E Class 9am-12p Office Hours 9am-2pm Girl Scouts 3-5pm  <i>... pastoral emergencies.....</i>	9 Office Hours 9am-2pm  .....	10 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast 9am-2pm Council Retreat at Sts Peter & Paul Retreat Center .....
11 Annual Candle Lighting & Prayers for Persons with Mental Illness- both services After 10:30am Both Youth Groups meet	12 TOPS til 6:45pm	13 Office Hours 9am-2pm A.B.L.E. Class 9am-12p <b>Council meeting 7pm</b> 6:30pm-Four church Farm Trustee Mtg @ St John Lutheran	14 Chancel Choir 7:15pm 6:30pm Chimes	15 A.B.L.E Class 9am-12p Office Hours 9am-2pm Girl Scouts 3-5pm GS Service Unit 7-8pm	16 Office Hours 9am-2pm	17 8:30am Women's Prayer Breakfast 4pm Lutheran Youth Encounter Group arrives 5:30pm Fall Festival 7:00pm Trunk or Treat
18 Lutheran Youth Encounter leads Sunday School hour and 10:30am worship. 1pm-CROP WALK@ OSU-Newark Campus.	19 TOPS til 6:45pm Folk Legends 6:45pm	20 Office Hours 9am-2pm A.B.L.E. Class 9am-12p 7pm Neurobiological Support Group 7pm Worship & Music Team meets	21 Chancel Choir 7:15pm 6:30pm Chimes	22 A.B.L.E Class 9am-12p Office Hours 9am-2pm Girl Scouts 6pm-7:30pm	23 Office Hours 9am-2pm	24 10am MOPS- Mothers of Preschool Children  Girl Scouts 10am-1pm Using social hall
25 10:30 am Affirmation of Baptism for 9 <sup>th</sup> Graders Reception to follow 2pm Flint Ridge Worship	26 TOPS til 6:45pm	27 Office Hours 9am-2pm A.B.L.E. Class 9am-12p Sewing Group 9:30am	28 Chancel Choir 7:15pm 6:30pm Chimes	29 A.B.L.E Class 9am-12p Office Hours 9am-2pm Girl Souts 3-5pm Four church Farm Workday 9am	30 Office Hours 9am-2pm	31 12noon Rising Christians host Brunch for Lunch. 5:30pm-Both Youth Groups bonfire at Four Church Farm

