



Monthly Newsletter

May 2023

Community Lutheran Church

*Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me, streams of living water will flow from within them."
John 7:38*



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OFFICE HOURS:
Tues.– Fri., 9 am to 1 pm;

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

Sunday, 9 & 11 am
Last Sunday of every month: 10:00 am

*9:00 am only during summer months starting May 7th

Mission Statement of Community Lutheran Church:
Living Christ's love in all we do.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM



"Happy Birthday, Church!"

The last Sunday in May (May 28th) is the Day of Pentecost. Pentecost is the celebration of how God's Spirit gave God's people a new identity as the Church. The Church is the Kingdom of God on earth, the Body of Christ revealed in God's people, the family of the people baptized as children of God, and the Living Temple of our Lord. The Church is not just a place where people come to worship, nor an institution to foster pastors, but it is a loving community of people sharing their faith in God's love in Christ Jesus to bring hope to the world for God's salvation.

In other words, the church is a pretty big deal.

The three most important Christian festivals during the year are Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost.

Christmas is when we celebrate how God's love is revealed

through God's incarnation in the Christ child. Both Christians and non-Christians alike celebrate human love and hope, so not only Christians celebrate Christmas.

Easter is when we celebrate God's salvation through Christ's death on the cross and resurrection from the dead. Easter is mostly celebrated by Christians, but is highly regarded by non-Christians as well.

Pentecost is the celebration of our Christian identity as part of the Church in Christ brought to us by our baptisms in the Holy Spirit. Only Christians celebrate Pentecost. This is uniquely our own celebration.

This Pentecost Sunday is going to be a special one for Community Lutheran Church because we will be celebrating this congregation's 35th anniversary. The actual date for the beginning of our

congregation is May 22, 1988. Since May 22nd is the Monday before Pentecost Sunday, it seemed appropriate to celebrate the birthday of CLC on the same day that we celebrate the birth of Christianity.

The reason the pastor wears all of the weird clothing on Sunday mornings is to remind people that our congregation is a part of something bigger than just ourselves gathered together to worship, learn, and serve in Christ's name. But we are a part of the Colorado River Conference, the Grand Canyon Synod, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are a part of the Lutheran tradition and share in a long rich history of Christianity that crosses doctrinal and cultural lines. The pastor is ordained to have one foot in the congregation and the other foot in the larger church body in order to be a

bridge to those identities.

Locally as a congregation, we are a part of the Bullhead City-Laughlin-Fort Mohave–Mohave Valley community. And our community includes winter residents. We have a strong music ministry, and are actively engaged in helping the poor and enriching our community. And we are a community filled with love, laughter, hope, and healing. We have much to share.

So this month, give special thanks to God for our church and our growing family. And let's not just make this a celebration just for this month, but for the entire year. Let's celebrate the blessing of being the Christ's community together.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Tim



Please Note:

Summer service schedule begins on May 7 with only one service at 9:00a.m. Pastor Tim's Bible Study will also switch to a morning meeting time of 9:00 a.m. beginning May 4.

Remember When:

Mom would take my sister and me to church every Sunday. Uncle John drove us to church because Mom never learned to drive. We always sat in the same spot, on the left side of the church halfway from the front, behind the Sholly's and the Schuckers, in front of the Schrack's. Grandma always had Clove Life Savers in her purse for us during the sermon. **Happy Mother's Day!** For those here with us now and those who have gone before, it's the simple memories that keep us together forever.

Remember When?

On April 6, 1986, Pastor Frank Caron conducted the first worship service for the mission church known as Community Lutheran Church. A few of our members may remember that period of time when we met in the local movie theater on Hancock Road. Music was provided by recordings which were played at the appropriate times.

The congregation was officially organized on May 22, 1988. Services were relocated to Valley Christian Church. They were gracious enough to share space with us for Sunday Services for several years. The ground breaking celebration for our current location occurred in 1996.

The **35th Anniversary** of the organization of **Community Lutheran Church** is this year, 2023. Anniversary Sunday will be May 28, the fourth Sunday in May. Perhaps you have memories, stories, pictures to share for the occasion. Over these past years, many have been a part of our history. All memories are welcome to share: a first visit, a favorite time or season, special events, special people.

I would like to gather the "shares" and share with all to recognize not only the start, but also the continuing story of Community Lutheran Church of Bullhead City.

There are several ways to share:

Write a message on the friend slip and place in the offering plate.

Email to me at jparrott1@earthlink.net.

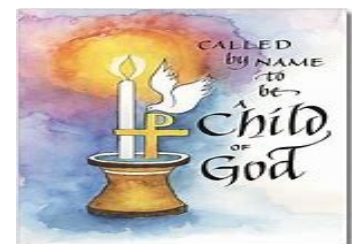
Leave with Shirley in the office.

Blessings to all,

Jan Parrott
Church Council



Savannah Cordero was
baptized April 30th.



Thank God for our families

[Jesus was dying on the cross.] When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” - John 19:26-27

This month we celebrate the mothers and mother figures, and then in June we celebrate our fathers and father figures. What a wonderful opportunity to honor the strong bond between parents and children. How strong? The first use of the word “love” in the Bible, Genesis 22:2, describes the connection between Abraham and his son, Isaac.

Family is a cherished gift from God that we are entrusted to treasure, love and nourish. As parents, we are responsible for raising children to become healthy adults. And as children, we are responsible for caring for our aging parents.

As Jesus indicates in the passage above, there need not be a blood connection for a parent-child relationship. In Matthew 12:46-50, Jesus redefines family, saying that all who love and follow him are mothers, brothers, sisters, fathers. So, all of us are parent, child and sibling to one another. Now THAT’S some family!

As we honor the mother and father figures this spring, we can also challenge ourselves to be better stewards of the family bonds God has given us. We can explore how we can support families in our personal circles, our congregation and community – especially families that are troubled by great need, crises or dysfunction.

God ordained families to be the fundamental unit of human life. We can be good stewards of family relationships by caring for one another and helping everyone to grow into the faith family God intends.

--Rob Blezard

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Women’s Group

Next Women’s bible study is on May 2nd.

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser is planned for October 21st.

The women are planning in making new Crismons starting in May.

Their mission is to send cards to people who are ill, people who can’t come to church for whatever reason and people who have not attended in a long time. So if you know someone in these categories, let Toni Wold or the office know.



CHURCH CHOR Notes



The choir will be on hiatus until September. You are still invited to join when they convene again. Something to think about.!



From the water committee:

I said I would keep you all informed on what is happening with the water project, so here is what I have to date. First, a big thank you to those who continue to give to this project. 2nd , I have found a person who writes grants and will write for us as soon as we find a grant or grants that will help us with our project. The water committee has been charged with locating such a grant. To date we have not located any, but the search continues.

If you have any questions, please ask.

Joann Hoffmeyer



We'd like to welcome new members, Jim & Gayle Moser.



BOTTLED WATER

We are running low on bottled water. A donation would be very appreciated. The water is used for the church's use and for the Agape bags.

Church Anniversary

On May 28th, we will be celebrating the 35th anniversary of Community Lutheran.

Cake will be served after the service.





OWLS



***HATE** has 4 letters
but so does **LOVE**.*

***ENEMIES** has 7 letters
but so does **FRIENDS**.*

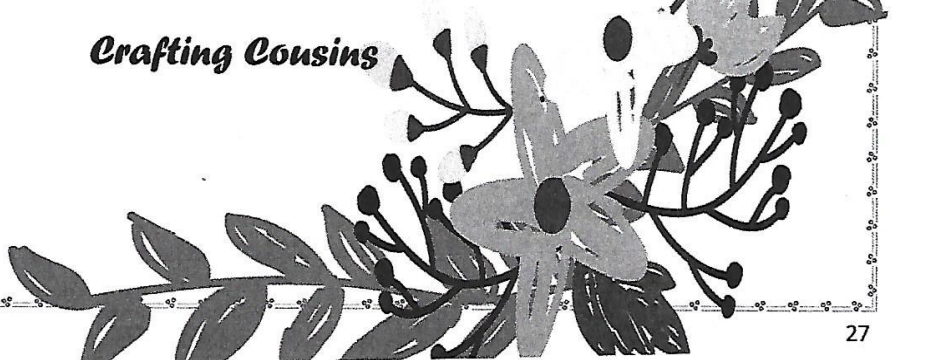
***LYING HAS** 5 letters
but so does **TRUTH**.*

***CRY** has 3 letters
but so does **JOY**.*

***NEGATIVITY** has 10 letters
but so does **POSITIVITY**,*

***LIFE** is two sided.
Choose the better side of it.*

Crafting Cousins



May

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 10:30 am Women's Bible Study	3	4 9:00 am Pastor's bible study	5 Cinco de Mayo	6
7 9:00 am Worship Service	8 Office closed	9	10	11 9:00 am Pastor's bible study 6:00 pm Council mtg	12	13
14 9:00 am Worship Service Mother's Day	15 Office closed	16 Pastor Vacation Shirley Vacation	17 Pastor Vacation Shirley Vacation	18 No bible study Pastor Vacation Shirley Vacation	19 Pastor Vacation Shirley Vacation	20
21 9:00 am Worship Service Pastor Vacation Noisy offering 28	22 Office closed Pastor Vacation	23 Shirley Vacation	24 Shirley Vacation	25 9:00 am Pastor's bible study Shirley Vacation	26 Shirley Vacation	27
28 9:00 am Worship Service CLC 35 th Anniversary	29 Office closed	30	31			

June

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4 9:00 am Worship Service	5 Office Closed	6 10:30 am Women's Bible Study	7	8 9:00 am Pastor's Bible Study 6:00 pm council mtg	9	10 Synod Assembly
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18 9:00 am Worship Service Father's Day	19 Office Closed	20	21	22 9:00 am Pastor's Bible Study	23	24
25 9:00 am Worship Service Noisy Offering	26 Office Closed	27	28	29 9:00 am Pastor's Bible Study	30	

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May Birthdays

- 1—Francis Dunkle
- 2—Judy Swanson
- 3—Kenny Bergeron
- 3—Edson Hoffmeyer
- 4—Larry Cutler
- 6—Steve Schneider
- 10—Tom Thompson
- 12—Jim Snaadt
- 14—Joan Marquez
- 20—Chris Lasky
- 22—Lee Werchau
- 23—Don Orth
- 24—Karen Barnes
- 24—Bev Christopherson
- 24—Gloria Kanerva
- 26—Teddie Eastes
- 26—Carole Gallagher
- 30—Larry Kaul
- 30—Kurt Nielsen
- 31—Linda Miller



May Anniversaries

- 14—James & Joan Cumberland (74)
- 17—Frank & Gwen Gonzalez (26)
- 17—Steve & Kate Larson (26)
- 29—Jim & Gayle Moser (47)
- 30—Lee and Michele Werchau (31)

Mark your Calendars!

Women's Group:

Women's Bible Study:

10:30 May 2nd

Women's meetings:

Tuesdays, at 10:30 am.

Dates to be announced

Wednesday

No Choir Practice

Pastor's Bible

Thursdays at 9:00 am

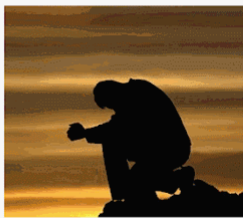
Sunday, May 14th

Mother's day

Sunday, May 28th

CLC 35th Anniversary celebration

Prayer Corner



PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation.

We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.

Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers.



If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!



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HAPPY
Mother's Day

God raised him on the third day and he appeared to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses.
Acts 10.40-41

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