

## Monthly Newsletter

## August 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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**Pastor Tim Eighmy** 



#### **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

"A Month of Waiting in the Lord"



August is here. And even though we still have 115 to 120 degree days, the end of summer is coming near.

Schools are back in session. Late summer vacations are beginning. And the planning of our fall schedule is here upon us.

Community Lutheran has been collecting school supplies to help low-income children whose families can't afford it. We have had a great response so far and will continue collecting until the second week of August.

A donation has been given to the church so we can have a new keyboard that has a great organ sound and can be used in many ways for worship services and cantatas. Another donation of a smaller keyboard has been given as well if we need it in a pinch.

We are planning events like a "God's Work, Our Hands" project for Sunday, September 10th and a spaghetti feed to raise money and awareness of our water project in late October. We are also planning a memorial service for both Cliff and Ethel Tomlinson in October.

The month of August reminds me of the times when the number 40 is used throughout the Bible. It is a number that signifies waiting, anticipating, and planning for something to happen that is still a ways away. The Israelites travelled for 40 years through the Wilderness before they finally moved onto the Promised Land. Moses waited for 40 days and 40 nights on Mt. Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments. Elijah waited for 40 days and 40 nights on Mt. Horeb waiting for assurance that God is here. Jesus was tempted in the Wilderness for 40 days and 40 nights before he began his ministry of proclaiming the good news of God's salvation. After his resurrection from the dead, Jesus stayed with the disciples for 40 days before he ascended to heaven and the disciples became the Church.

And so in the heat of August, we wait for summer to come to an end and for our congregation's ministry to begin anew.

Have a great rest of your summer!

In Christ's loving peace, Pastor Tim Eighmy



#### Notes from Church Council

The heat is definitely ON. July is always hot in Bullhead City. This year it seems to be hot everywhere. With or without humidity, its at the top of the news.

Church council did not meet in July but there are a few items to share. Efforts continue for improving the water situation and phone service for the church. Monitoring expenses during lean budget times is also an ongoing concern.

Thank you to all who continue to support Community Lutheran with regular donations as well as the special donations we have recently received. We appreciate our volunteers who show up to help when needed, open doors, hand out bulletins, sing, play the flute and read. We are thankful for your presence during worship and fellowship times. Each person is a unique blessing.

Concern during HOT times...try to stay cool. Drink plenty of fluids and reduce your activities to accommodate the hottest part of the day. Check on others who may benefit from your attention.

Our next council meeting will be held at the church on Friday, August 18 at noon.

Jan Parrott Council President



## **Outreach Committee**

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.



## Women's Group



Next Women's bible study is on sabbatical until September. A spaghetti dinner fundraiser is planned for October 21st.



# CHURCH CHIOR Notes

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



## Stewardship of Life

## The problem (and power) of money

[Jesus told the rich man] "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ... [Jesus taught the disciples,] "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."—Mark 10:21b-22, 25

At a Bible study, a man of means asked, "Why does Jesus hate money so much?" His family saw their money as a good thing, and he earnestly wanted to understand why Jesus seems to speak negatively of wealth again and again.

In fact, Jesus talks about money more than nearly anything else. Interestingly, for all his talk about money, he never asks for it. And he never condemns it. Instead, Jesus warns us about the corrupting influence of money.

Wealth poses spiritual risks. Jesus teaches that money has the power to turn us inward – away from loving God with all our heart and loving our neighbor as ourselves. It confuses our values and direction.

All of us want full lives brimming with security, relationship, joy, peace and love – but money can ensure us none of those things. They are the fruits of loving God with ALL our strength and of loving our neighbor as ourselves. Wealth can get in the way.

That was the issue with the rich man in Mark 10:17-27. Deeply religious, he nonetheless worries about eternal life. The "one thing" he lacks, Jesus tells him, can be satisfied by selling what he has and giving to the poor. Generous giving would break the bond that money has over him and help re-center him on loving God and loving neighbor.

Generosity is the spiritual prescription Jesus gives the rich man, and it's the one for us, too.

The primary goal of our church's financial stewardship should not be to fund the church, but rather to break the chains that money may have on our hearts and souls. But giving generously we can help the church, our neighbor *and* ourselves. We can learn what it is to be free to love God with all our heart and our neighbor as ourselves.

#### --Rob Blezard



Great Horned Owl spotted at Davis Camp.

Submitted by Jan Parrott. Thanks Jan for sharing!

VERY COOL!!



God's Work, Our Hands

We are working on collecting items for personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. On September 10th after service, we will be organizing the kits. A light lunch provided by Joann Hoffmeyer will be served. Following are the instructions and a list of items to go into the kits.

#### **Guidelines**

Shop for light- or medium-weight towels

Bath towels vary in size. The 52" x 27" is the maximum size. 20" x 40" is a good minimum size.

Give new items only.

Please no items with religious symbols, messages or your group's name.

No items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.

All items should be new and in good condition.

Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

#### Items to be collected for each kit

One light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark colors recommended.

Two or three bath-size bars of soap equaling to 8 to 9oz, any brand, in original wrapping.

One adult-size toothbrush in original packaging\*

One sturdy comb, remove packaging.

One metal nail clippers (attached file optional) remove packaging.



\*Toothbrush multi-packs

may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope: no plastic or wrap.

#### To assemble

Fold towel in half. Place rest of the items in the towel, fold and roll so nothing falls out, and secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands.





## **Supply List**

Backpacks Compasses

Ruled Paper Notebooks (single and multi-

#2 Pencils subject)

Erasers 3 Ring binders & binder paper

Glue Sticks Theme Books

Crayons Clear Plastic Theme Binders

Rulers Hand Sanitizer

Scissors

Supplies & monetary donations can be dropped off at any Mission Bank location or there are containers in the narthex also.

Mission Bank 1455 Palma Way Bullhead City,86442 928-704-5505



## SOMETHING TO TICKLE YOUR FUNNY BONE!!!



When a woman says "What?"

It's not because she didn't hear you.

She's just giving you the chance to change what you said!!



(Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous.

Where there's a will, I want to be in it.

The last thing I want to do is hurt you, but it's still on my list.

Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

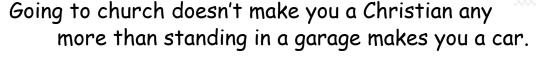
War does not determine who is right—only who is left.

Knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

They begin the evening news with "Good Evening", then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

To steal ideas from on person is plagiarism.

To steal from many is research.



I'm supposed to respect my elders, but now it's getting harder and harder for me to find one.



# August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9:00 am Worship Service With communion	7 Office Closed	8	9	10	11	12
13 9:00 am Worship Service With communion	Office Closed	15	16 Baron's	17	18 12 pm Council Meeting	19
20 9:00 am Worship Service With communion	Office Closed	22	23	24	25	26
27 g:oo am Worship Service With communion Noisy Offering	28 Office Closed	29	30	31		

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g:oo am Worship service With communion	4 Office closed Labor Day	5	6	9:00 am Pastor's bible study	8	9
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9:00 am Worship service With communion Noisy offering	Office closed	26	27	g:oo am Pastor's bible study	29	30

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## **August Birthdays**

2—Gwen Gonzales2—Charles Sorby23—Jean Oman

5—Reva Sparks 26—Pastor Tim Eighmy

8—Karen Miller 28—Colin Bixenman

13—John Casson
 14—Kyle Schuh
 15—Lynda Crawford
 16—Debbie Olson
 28—Gayle Moser
 28—Dawn Redmann
 29—Trinity Schuh
 31—Grant Nelson

17—Gail Shaver

17—Geline Ostgaard

17—Chuck Wickersham

19—Janelle Redmann



## August Anniversaries

3— Chad & Tori Lelm (10)

4—Doug & Vicky Dyrdahl (46)

18—Mack & Peggy Boone (44)

20—James & Carol Smock (57)

21—Grant & Betty Nelson (68)

## <u> Mark your Calendars!</u>

Women's Group:

Women's Bible Study:

Resuming in September

#### Women's meetings:

Tuesdays, at 10:30 am. Dates to be announced

#### **Wednesday**

No Choir Practice until September

#### Pastor's Bible

Thursdays at 9:00 am

#### **Council Meeting**

August 12th at 12:00 pm





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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