



# Christ Lutheran CHURCH

**WEEKLY SCRIBE**  
**October 12, 2025**

## **Faith Formation Opportunities ~ *Sundays 9:20 a.m.***

	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Church Hall</b>	<b>120 Library</b>
10/12		<b>Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith &amp; Resilience:</b> Sam Graber & Anna Stewart	<b>Bible Survey</b>
10/19	Getting to Know CLC	<b>Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith &amp; Resilience:</b> Spirit of Justice with Jemar Tisby	<b>Bible Survey</b>
10/26	Getting to Know CLC	<b>Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith &amp; Resilience:</b> Love your Enemies with Rev. Toby Darrah	<b>Bible Survey</b>
11/2		<b>Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith &amp; Resilience:</b> Why Christian? with Kailin Curtice	<b>Bible Survey</b>

### **October 12**

*Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith and Resilience* will continue with Anna Stewart and Sam Graber in Part 2 of their presentation. They will discuss the importance of listening to the stories of those from the margins who have much to teach about faith and resilience.

Sam Graber is the Associate Professor of Humanities and Literature in Christ College at Valparaiso University. His field of study is nineteenth-century literature and culture, the American Civil War, transatlantic studies, memory studies, and religion. Anna Stewart is the Director of the Institute for Leadership and Service, in the Division of Calling and Spiritual Life at Valparaiso University. Through this role, she has the privilege of working with an amazing team – including CLC’s own Kat Peters and Kristin Lewis – to help develop and collaborate on programming around reflective vocational exploration and discerning the ways we are called to lead and serve.

## CLC Social Ministry and Mission October 2025

*As you do it for the least of these, you do it for Christ. (Matthew 25:40)*



**Social Ministry Emphasis for October.** The focus this month is to provide volunteer time and monetary support for **Lutheran World Relief** [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org) and **ELCA World Hunger/Disaster Response** [www.elca.org/hunger](http://www.elca.org/hunger) and [www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster)

**Lutheran World Relief** is affirming God's love for all people, working with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice, and human suffering. LWR vision is to be empowered by God's unconditional love in Jesus Christ, envisioning a world in which each person, every community and all generations live in justice, dignity, and peace. Also, here is a volunteer opportunity in October: helping with the annual northern Indiana Lutheran congregations in-gathering collection day at CLC (Sat. afternoon Oct. 18, 2-5pm) - loading a semi-truckload of items to be delivered to LWR for shipment overseas. Many items come from CLC: quilts and baby/fabric/personal/school kits. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Becky Fry at [justplainbecky@gmail.com](mailto:justplainbecky@gmail.com)

**ELCA World Hunger/Disaster Response** two hunger/disaster response programs (plus Lutheran World Relief) work closely together on world humanitarian issues, providing relief and hunger assistance, as well as providing opportunities for hunger education and advocacy activities. 79% of funds are used around the world, 12% in the U.S., and 9% for education and advocacy.

Help achieve our goal of \$2500 in October (over and above giving combined with CLC's \$1200 budgeted amount). By achieving our goal CLC will help **Luth. World Relief** and **ELCA Hunger/Disaster Relief** continue mutual support and service activities that are crucial to effective ministry. Use your weekly worship giving mailed in check to CLC and indicate "LWR/ELCA Hunger" or contribute through Subsplash on the CLC website <https://clcvalpo.org> via the "Give" button and choose Monthly Social Ministry Emphasis. Thank you to members for supporting monthly social ministry emphases.

**Senior Group Meeting  
at CLC @ 9:30 a.m.  
October 23, 2025  
Church Hall  
(All are welcome)**

Porter County Airport celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, and Kyle Kuebler, its airport director, will have a well prepared and thorough presentation regarding the airport's history, as well as other interesting facts pertaining to this county gem. Mr. Kuebler was hired as the Porter County Airport Director in 1991, is a Kouts resident, as well as serving as a Kouts volunteer firefighter and certified fire fighter for the Porter County Regional Airport, in addition to other certifications. Please join us to hear more about our airport!!! Questions: Beth Bigham, 847 323 2512.



**ECHO**  
**Encourage**  
**Community**  
**Healing**  
**Organizing**

**Where?** Union Community Church  
(602 Monroe St, Valparaiso)

**When?** 1:00 – 3:00 PM

**How Often?** Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Who?** Everyone is welcome!

## **ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

Our congregation will meet **Sunday November 9, 2025 at 9:20am in the Sanctuary** for our **Annual Meeting**, gathering for prayer, conversation, and discussion. Join us as we hear stories of the impact of our year in ministry, thank our Council leadership, and elect our leaders for the coming year.

Copies of our Annual Report will be available soon in the Gathering Space.

Questions can be directed to Angela Wehner, Council President, or Pastor Tim.

**See you November 9!**

Christ Lutheran Church offers a Grief Support Group every other week on Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11 am in the Conference Room. (209). The group serves adults who have experienced a loss of a spouse, parent, child, friend, or neighbor.

Come when you can. Coffee and Kleenex available.

The group is facilitated by Cheryl Slack, a Stephen Minister. You may contact her at 219-241-0677 or one of the pastors if you have any questions.

Upcoming dates are October 15th, and 29th.

## **Silent Auction for Quilt on Display in the Gathering Place**

Donated by the Quilters and the proceeds will go towards shipping expenses for the Lutheran World Relief

ITEM: 88" Square Quilt  
VALUE: \$350  
DONATED BY: Quilting Ladies



## Kinder lernen Deutsch: German Program for Grades 2 – 4

**Send your child to Valparaiso University's  
Kade-Duesenberg German House and Cultural Center  
on Tuesday afternoons to have fun learning German!**

In Kinder lernen Deutsch (KLD), your child will get a simple introduction to German language and culture through fun activities, games, and songs. The program is for children in grades 2 – 4. Both beginners and children with prior exposure to German are welcome.

KLD is taught by Valpo students of German under the supervision of Dr. Timothy Malchow, Professor of German and German House Director.

The program begins on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 and runs through the end of February 2026.



**Fee: \$75 for the full program**

**For further information and to  
register, scan this code or visit:**

<https://forms.gle/CGDq2DPZEpekGj69>

Kade-Duesenberg German House and Cultural Center | [www.valpo.edu/programs/german-minor/](http://www.valpo.edu/programs/german-minor/)  
822 Mound Street (corner of Linwood and Mound) | Valparaiso, IN

## Getting to Know CLC

Curious how God changes lives in and with this congregation? Join us to for our "Getting to Know CLC" series as we explore Christ Lutheran's ministry, history, and teaching. We'll gather for a 3-week series during the Formation Hour on Sundays (9:20am-10:20) **October 19 and 26** in the Sanctuary, followed by an opportunity to formally stand with the congregation, confess our faith together, and declare that "Yes! God has something for me here." Register for our series via the QR Code. **New Member Welcome on Sunday, November 9.**



## ALL SAINTS DAY

We will be celebrating All Saints Day on Sunday, **November 2**. We will honor those who have entered into eternal life (deceased since October 2024) and have their names listed in the bulletin. If you have any loved one, family or friend, that you would like listed on the insert, please fill out a form located in the Gathering Area.



The CLC Youth will be holding a silent auction November 2-23. If you have any objects or services you can offer to the auction, please drop them off during the month of October to the youth office (in the hallway by the mailboxes). Please mark the item with your name, valued amount, and suggested minimum bid. Questions can be directed to Amy Knauff, 219-242-7448 or [amyknauff@gmail.com](mailto:amyknauff@gmail.com).

## Thank you!

Thanks to your generosity, we have exceeded our goal! You have provided all the supplies that we need for 140 Lutheran World Relief School Kits to serve God's people throughout the world. The Sunday School youth assembled and packed the kits during class last Sunday, and we are ready for the ingathering on October 18th. Thank you again for your support for this important ministry.

### CIRCLE Dinner Providers Needed

Meals are needed for the high school youth group. Circle meets every Sunday from 6-8pm, with a meal to start at 6:00. Would you be willing to cook a meal and share it with the kids? You would be cooking for about 15 people and are welcome to stay for fellowship. If you are interested, please sign up [here](#) or scan the QR code.



**South Shore Brass Band presents a**

**‘Side-By-Side Concert’**

**Sunday, November 2 at 5 pm**

**Christ Lutheran Church  
2610 Campbell St. Valpo, IN**

**Adults \$10 ~ Seniors \$8 ~ Students \$5 ~ Preschool Free**

**All are welcome to attend We Make Indiana housing update and next steps on October 28th 6:30-8:00 at Christ Lutheran Church.**

*In the last month, over 115 neighbors joined us for 7 housing forums—sharing stories, exploring how zoning shapes our communities, and asking: Who gets to live here?*

*On Tuesday, Oct. 28th we're coming together to reflect on what we've learned, hear updates on zoning reform in Valparaiso, and take the next step: exploring a statewide housing campaign by meeting with our state legislators this fall. Let's turn momentum into action. Please join us!*



October 2025



## CLC ENDOWMENT CORNER...

“Give it your all.” You’ve probably heard that from a coach, mentor or loved one sometime in your life. But when it comes to planning your estate, you don’t have to take an all-or-nothing approach.

You may have many people and causes you love—and wonder how you can possibly take care of them all after you’re gone. **Here’s the solution:** Harness the power of percentages and divide your “estate pie” so everyone and everything you care about gets a slice.

Here’s how:

1. **Take inventory of your estate. It’s likely larger than you think.** Assets such as real estate, life insurance, and investment and retirement accounts can quickly add up.
2. **Determine which people and causes you’d like to benefit and in what percentages.** You can provide for loved ones and still make a big difference with 10%, 5%—even 1%. You don’t need a fortune to make an impact.
3. **Create or update your will or update your beneficiaries to align with your percentages.** Contact your estate planning attorney or use an online planning tool for your will. Adding or changing beneficiaries for accounts such as IRAs or life insurance is as simple as filling out a paper or online form.

One more advantage of giving percentages of your estate: Your gift automatically adjusts in proportion to the size of your estate. That means that each beneficiary’s share will remain aligned with your intentions no matter what.

### WE’RE HERE FOR YOU

Scan our QR code to contact your regional ELCA gift planner for a no-obligation discussion about creating a legacy that will share God’s grace and the love of Christ for years to come.





# LWR INGATHERING




## Volunteers NEEDED

**Saturday,  
OCTOBER 18, 2025  
2 pm - 5 pm**

### We need help with

- Moving boxes
- Loading boxes on a semi-trailer
- Church donation inventory
- Snacks for our visiting churches

### Join us!

 Sign up in the Gathering Area

 Christ Lutheran Church Back Lot

 Becky Fry  
219.241.6854

 [justplainbecky@gmail.com](mailto:justplainbecky@gmail.com)



- Are you 50 or older?
- Looking for ways to stay healthy?
- Want to meet new people?

The WISE Program is for you, and it's FREE!

## WISE Program

**Host:** Porter-Starke Services  
**Location:** 701 Wall Street Valparaiso, IN  
**Dates:** September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
**Day/Time:** Fridays 1 - 3 pm

The WISE educational program includes six lessons that cover a wide range of topics about health and wellness for older adults. Join us for this fun and engaging program. You'll meet new people and:

- Learn about the **aging process** and how to **make healthy lifestyle choices**
- Celebrate this **exciting stage of life** and all the **benefits** that come with it
- Discuss **risk factors and behaviors** you should avoid to stay healthy
- Examine **how alcohol, prescription medications and over-the-counter medications affect seniors differently** and how you can avoid problems
- Learn how to **use simple tools to help you feel more empowered** about your health and the healthcare you receive
- Receive **giveaways** for participating in the program

**Register for WISE today! Contact:**

**Angela Wehner, BSW, CPS**  
*Older Adult Grant Project Director, Porter-Starke Services*  
**219.706.1044 • [awehner@porterstarke.org](mailto:awehner@porterstarke.org)**



**Division of Mental Health and Addiction**

Funding provided by the State of Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction.

# Redeeming Democracy Through Effective Responses

Saturday, October 25, 2025

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Healthline Community Center, 1001 Sturdy Rd., Valparaiso, IN 46383



Learn about effective strategies to strengthen our democracy and community participation.

Connect with fellow community members and build lasting relationships while making a difference.



Meet Keda Clady, an expert  
Immigration Attorney

joined by

Lisa Nicole  
Northwest Indiana Activists

and

Robert Jackowski  
Valpo Resistance Group



Light refreshments served



[nwiaaa2013@yahoo.com](mailto:nwiaaa2013@yahoo.com)



[www.nwiaaa.org](http://www.nwiaaa.org)

Northwest Indiana African American, Alliance, Inc.  
PO Box 497 | Valparaiso, IN 46383

## **October Altar Gifts**

**Holy Communion**

Marilyn McGawn ~ In Memory of Malcolm

**Altar Candles**

Given to the Glory of God

**Eternal Lamp**

Cheryl Watson ~ In Memory of Ken

### **QUILTS**

Quilts Completed: 323

### **BABY CARE KIT PROJECT**

2025 Goal-500 completed in June

Kits completed-670

October needs are boy and girl pants, jackets, sleepers, shirts, tops, and 4 ounce bars of white Dial soap.

**INTERESTING FACT**-Since 2009 and not including 2025, Christ Lutheran has assembled 9,997 LWR Baby Care Kits.

### **FABRIC KIT PROJECT**

2025 Goal-150

Kits completed-136

October needs are 3 yard lengths of cotton fabric in solid and print patterns.

### **PERSONAL CARE KIT PROJECT**

Kits complete—846

October need is cash to buy needed items in bulk. Buying in bulk allows us to make our funds purchase more items. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

### **LWR ALUMINUM CAN PROJECT**

Keep those CANS coming! Ask family and friends to save their aluminum cans. Together, we can bring in many CANS.

