

WEEKLY SCRIBE August 10, 2025

Worship Schedule

August 10 ~ one service at 8:00; Worship at the Park at 10:30

August 17 \sim two services begin $\sim 8:00$ and 10:30

Faith Formation begins August 17: Bible Survey with Dave Keammerer, room 120

Popcorn Fest

With September quickly approaching, that means Popcorn Fest is right around the corner and preparations are officially under way for our booth! Every year, Popcorn Fest is one of the biggest fundraisers for our youth ministries, and that is all thanks to the amazing support of the CLC community! The funds we raise from Popcorn Fest go toward mission trips and events for our youth, such as Quake, Confirmation Camp, the ELCA Youth Gathering, and Synod mission trips. These trips play such an important role in the faith lives of our youth, as they give youth meaningful opportunities to grow in their faith, accompany others in various communities, and build community with both one another and youth from across the country. It is fundraisers like Popcorn Fest that transform the lives of our youth.

We need your help for another successful year. Our volunteers are the hands and feet of this fundraiser, and it would not be possible without you! This year, we need volunteers to help pre-cook the brats we sell at the booth. The brats will be available for pick-up at the church starting September 1st. Volunteers are also needed to help set-up the booth the night before the event. And finally, we need volunteers to help serve during each of the shifts on the day of Popcorn Fest! If any of these volunteer opportunities are of interest to you, be sure to check out the sign-up sheets posted out in the Gathering Space.



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Kaitlyn (<u>kaitlyn.jedrzejowski@clcvalpo.org</u>). Thank you all for supporting our fundraising efforts!

Kaitlyn Jedrzejowski Director of Youth Ministries



Blood DriveChrist Lutheran Church

Activity Center - Door 14 2610 North Campbell Valparaiso

Tuesday, August 19 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: ChristLutheranValpo to schedule an appointment.



Give Aug 1 to 28 for \$15 e gift card & successful donations get A1C testing. Terms: rcblood.org/Test





WE ALSO NEED 3 MORE VOLUNTEERS, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE.

1 at the Middle Shift (2:30-4:15 pm) and 2 for the Last Shift (4:15-6:00 pm).

Lutheran World Relief School Kits

We need notebooks for Lutheran World Relief!

It's August, and soon your children will be back in school. We are still collecting supplies for the **School Kits** for Lutheran World Relief, which are an important lifeline for learners all around the world. As your children will soon begin the new school year, think about choosing supplies for others. Since each kit contains **FOUR – 70-sheet notebooks of wide-or college-ruled paper**, we need to collect 480 to meet our 120-kit goal. Please consider shopping at Walmart or Meijer where notebooks are just 45 cents each.

Additionally, we are about half-way to meeting the goal in each kit for the following items:

ONE – 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side & inches on the other.

ONE – pair of blunt scissors

(safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well).

FIVE – black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink).

ONE - box of 16 or 24 crayons.

ONE – pencil sharpener.

We currently have enough pencils and erasers.

Gathering supplies with your children is a great way to remind yourself and them that we need to continue to love our neighbors, near and far. There is a basket in the Gathering Space for donations, or you can purchase from Amazon and choose to have the items delivered directly to the church. Thank you for your support!



Fall Registration

LLP is looking forward to welcoming 142 students this August. Little Lamb Preschool has openings for the 2025-2026 school year in our Young 5 PM class [Monday-Friday 12:30-3:00 PM (Your child

must have turned 4 by June 2025 to enroll in this class)], our Pre K PM Class [Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:15-2:45 PM (Your child must have turned 4 by August 1, 2025, to enroll in this class)] and our Beginner 3 PM Class [Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:30-3:00 PM (Your child must have turned 3 by February, 2025, to enroll in this class)]. Please contact Jen with any questions or interest. 219-462-6660 #14 or LLP@CLCValpo.org You may also look on our website for more class information. clcvalpo.org. Classes begin soon!



All Vendors welcome; Food and Beverage will have space in the front of parking lot; crafts will coordinate with Rummage Sale entrance.

Rummage Sale

and Market

September 20, 2025

Details coming soon...

Start cleaning your attics and closets for the CLC Rummage Sale!
We will be selling table space in our outdoor Market- gather your goods!

August 11, 2025 | 6-8 PM

Christ Lutheran Church 2610 Campbell Street Valparaiso, IN 46385





Called Together: Listening, Learning, Living Tuning Our Hearts to One Another, Moving as One

The Indiana-Kentucky Synod is embarking on a journey of listening, learning, and living together, responding to God's call to work with the people of God throughout our territory. Our initiative, *Called Together: Listening, Learning, Living*, invites everyone to join in a shared process of reflection and action. As we listen to God and each other, we will discover how we can work together in faith.

Phase 1: Listening to God's Call Listening across the synod – drawing in diverse stories, needs, and hopes

In this first phase, we focus on listening—not just with our ears but with our hearts. We seek to understand the diverse stories, needs, and hopes of our community and where God is at work throughout the Synod. "Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live" (Isaiah 55:3).

We invite you to share your story and listen deeply to one another. Everyone's voice is needed, as together we seek to hear God's call.

Phase 2: Learning and Living as One Creating experiments and partnerships based on what's been heard

Once we've listened, it's time to act. In Phase 2, we'll create partnerships and opportunities based on what we've learned. "Just as a body, though one, has many parts... so it is with Christ" (1 Corinthians 12:12-14). Each of us has a unique role, and together, we make up the body of Christ, moving toward our shared purpose.

"Make every e[ort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3). This phase is about living out our shared faith in Jesus with unity, humility, and love. We will work together to create experiments and partnerships that respond to God's call in our lives.

Synod "Called Together" 8/11 at 6pm a "listening post" type event that evening, hoping that you will come and help give leadership a sense of where the Spirit is moving in their lives/the church, where the world needs the church to be showing up, where God might be calling us together.

Seniors' Group August 28 Church Hall at 9:30 a.m.

The program will be presented by Nicole Harmon, Wildlife Director & Rehabilitator for Humane Indiana Wildlife. Humane Indiana helps injured & orphaned wildlife. Nicole will be bringing some of her furry & feathery friends for us to meet & to learn how the wildlife are cared for at their center. The Wildlife Center is located at 570 N 450E in Valparaiso.

Sometimes people ask "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?"

Stephen Ministers are there...

- after the phone call in the night that changes life forever
- after the baby comes home demanding more than they ever imagined possible
- after the funeral when everyone has left and emotions come crashing
- after the doctor says, "I am sorry, there is nothing else we can do"
- after the youngest child pulls out of the hug and heads into the dorm
- after the senior living director says "Welcome to your new home."
- after the divorce papers are served and she wonders if she will ever trust again
- after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away\
- after the fire when rebuilding the home seems impossible
- after family have heard the story too often, but he still needs to talk about it

Stephen Ministers are well trained lay caregivers who provide emotional and spiritual support to people going through difficult times in life, providing hope and healing in the midst of their pain.

Maybe I Could Use a Stephen Minister.

CLC has 15 waiting for you or for someone you know in the community. Get information from any of us who wear those blue name tags or from either pastor.



CLC Social Ministry and Mission August 2025

Speak up for people who cannot speak for themselves. Protect the rights of all who are helpless. (Proverbs 31:8)





Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service) www.globalrefuge.org
"We stand with newcomers" has a vision that all migrants and refugees are protected, embraced, and empowered in a world of just and welcoming communities. Global Refuge' mission is witness to God's love for all people, standing with and advocating for migrants and refugees, transforming communities through ministries of service and justice. For over 80 years, Global Refuge has been a champion for migrants and refugees from around the globe. A legacy of courageous and compassionate service has made a difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of people who have sought safety and hope in America's communities. Global Refuge history reflects American Lutherans' and others deep immigrant roots and passionate commitment to welcoming newcomers, especially those who are most in need. In partnership with community-based legal and social service providers nationwide, Global Refuge has helped over 500,000 migrants and refugees rebuild their lives in America.

Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) https://www.lbwinc.org has existed since 1943 to show the love of God to people with visual disabilities and to bring them into a growing relationship with God. LBW does this by engaging some 5,000 volunteers in over 115

Production Centers | (lbwloveworks.org) throughout the United States. Volunteers joyfully produce approximately 250,000 volumes a year of Braille and specialized Large Print Bibles and Christian literature. CLC is one of these Work Centers (#129) and is involved in making Braille books of the Bible for the blind. Volunteers' work every Tuesday in CLC's Fellowship Hall. Monthly emphases gifts go towards national LBW activities and to help with supplies for CLC's Work Center.

Help achieve our goal of \$1500 in August. Use your weekly worship giving envelope mailed with check to CLC and indicate "Global Ref./LBW" 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.

WORSHIP AT THE PARK LAKE ETTA COUNTY PARK

PARK ADDRESS: 4801 WEST 29TH AVE, GARY)



Bethel Lutheran in Gary and Christ Lutheran in Valparaiso will partner with eight other faith congregations in the community to host a worship service and picnic at Lake Etta County Park. (Lake Etta) (Park address: 4801 West 29th Ave, Gary)

When: August 10th – Worship will begin at 10:30am Where: Lake Etta County Park – large group Pavilion

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and drinks will be provided.

Bring a side dish to pass (serve 10-12 people)

Bring a lawn chair.

Parking fee is waived! Tell the entry gate you are from CLC.

There will be lots of fun games for kids!

Sign ups and maps are available in the Gathering Space.

Questions? Please contact Kathy Sutherland at ksutherland54@yahoo.com -or text 219.309.4414.