

# WEEKLY SCRIBE August 31, 2025

Faith Formation Opportunities ~ Sundays 9:20 a.m.			
Date / Location	Sanctuary	Church Hall	120 Library
August 31			Bible Survey Dave Keammerer
September 7 Sunday School Starts		Bishop Tim Graham	Bible Survey Dave Keammerer
September 14	Worship Leadership What, How, and Why?		Bible Survey Dave Keammerer
September 21		Valparaiso Housing: Crisis or Opportuni- ty: We Make Indiana	Bible Survey Dave Keammerer
September 28		Great Cloud of Witnesses: Stories of Faith & Resilience with Sam Graber & Anna Stewart	Bible Survey Dave Keammerer

Please welcome Bishop Tim Graham on his visit to Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, September 7. Bishop Graham will be preaching during the service and you can learn more about him during Faith Formation Hour in the Church Hall.

#### 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) <a href="www.globalrefuge.org">www.globalrefuge.org</a>
"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) <a href="https://www.lbwinc.org">https://www.lbwinc.org</a> 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

#### **Updates from the Hospitality team:**

- Welcome to all who are visiting us. Please sign the visitor book in the welcome center. We are glad you are worshiping with us!
- Members: please wear name tags for easy introductions. If you don't have one please
- contact the church office.
- If you enjoy baking, feeding others, or eating, please sign up at the Welcome Center to bring treats for the time between services. Also feel free to contact and let me know you are interested (Sally Ecklund-Baker, <a href="mailto:s.ecklundbaker@gmail.com">s.ecklundbaker@gmail.com</a> or 219-508-1619)
- We could use a few extra folks on the Hospitality and outreach committee- if you like meeting new people, welcoming, feeding, etc. Please reach out to Sally Ecklund-Baker.

#### **Lutheran World Relief School Kits**

Thank you for your continued support for school kits for Lutheran World Relief. The following items are still needed for each school kit:

ONE – 30-cm ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other (we need 44).

ONE – pair of blunt scissors (we need 47).

FIVE – black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink) (we need 87).

ONE – pencil sharpener (we need 78).

We currently have enough notebooks, crayons, pencils and erasers. Dollar General has a pair of scissors for \$1, and rulers two for \$1. If you know of other deals, let me know at <a href="kathyjopage@gmail.com">kathyjopage@gmail.com</a> and I will pass them along.

There is a basket in the Gathering Space for donations, or you can purchase from Amazon or Target and choose to have the items delivered directly to the church. Thank you for your generous support!

SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS: ASSEMBLING SCHOOL KITS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, DURING FORMATION HOUR.



#### **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!



# Be a part of the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Carsten & Georgia Falkenberg Meal Pack NWI

## Saturday, September 20, 2025

9:00 –11:30am 12:30 – 3:00pm Crown Point High School Cafeteria

Your donations feed many people in NW Indiana (90%), and overseas. At 40c per meal, your donation makes a big impact.

**This year:** No training required for experienced packers! Free lunch if you work both shifts! Live Christian music! Special recognition for donors of \$500+! Taste the Nutri-Plenty meal!

**Please send checks** (payable to Pack Away Hunger, NWI event in memo line) to: P.O. Box 37, Greenwood, IN 46142, or Georgia Falkenberg, 6811 E 125<sup>th</sup> Ave, Crown Point, IN 46307

Register to help pack and/or donate at: www.givebutter.com/NWIN2025

## **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

# 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!

Sunday School is right around the corner—September 7 at 9:20!

It's time to register for Sunday School—follow the QR:



# It's Bread Breakers Time!



Bread Breakers are short term supper groups of 8-10 people that meet from October-May. Groups are formed as either "adult only" or "family" groups and meet about every 4-6 weeks for food and fellowship. Sign ups will be taken until September 21st. You do not have to be a member of CLC to sign up.

Groups will meet each other for the first time at our kick off pot-luck lunch on **Sunday**, **September 28th** 

after the 10:30 service. (So mark your calendars!) We look forward to having you!

Please scan the QR code to sign up for a group!



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

Current grief group members state these benefits of attending:

- ~it's a confidential and "safe" place to talk about your journey of grief of the loss of your loved one
- ~It lets you know that you are not alone as you meet others who understand what you are going through
- ~we share memories, tears and even laughs
- ~some days you can just listen to others rather than speaking

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 September 3rd and 17th, October 1st, 15th, and 29th.



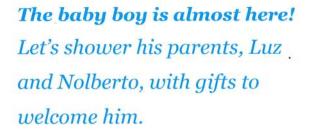
### Vendor Registration Forms:





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Please join the refugee support team to help welcome this child. Chicken and cake to be provided through a Thrivent Action Team grant. Please bring a side dish to share. You can RSVP by calling the church office. Gift cards to Walmart and Target are also appreciated. Use the QR code for Luz baby registry. Come join the fun!

Where: Christ Lutheran Fellowship Hall

When: Sunday September 7th

Time: Immediately following the second

service

