

# Christ Lutheran Church

1500 Western Avenue Albany, New York 12203-3525

## Chronicles

October 2010

### **Worship**

Sunday 10:30am  
Holy Communion

Wednesday 11:00am  
Holy Communion

### **Pastor**

Rev. Russell Craig

### **Deacon**

Thomas Craig

### **Secretary**

Ruth Ahlers

### **Music Director**

Sharon Calka

### **Custodian**

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### **A Message from the Pastor**

Dear Friends in Jesus,

We rejoice and praise God for His many blessings that He bestows on us. This month we offer prayers of thanksgiving for *Christ Our Savior Preschool* that began operation on September 20<sup>th</sup>. It's been nearly 10 years since Small Steps closed, so it is wonderful to once again hear little children playing and learning here at Christ Lutheran.

We rejoice and praise God for His calling Our Savior's Lutheran School and Christ Lutheran Church to share a vision of serving the Lord and our community through this ministry. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, took special pleasure in welcoming and blessing children.

*Jesus said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."*  
(Mark 10:14).

*"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me."* (Mark 9:37)

Jesus continues to welcome and bless the little ones. And He has chosen to use us to share His love with families in our community. I urge you to support Christ Our Savior Preschool with your time, talents, treasures, and most especially your prayers. Please consider volunteering. I just spent the past hour comforting a little one who missed Mom, so believe me when I say that you will be a blessing and blessed.

**+Pastor Russ Craig**

**Romans 8:28**



## CHURCH NEWS

### Sunday School for All Ages

Grow in faith through the study of God's Word every Sunday morning at 9:15am.

*Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade.*

*Confirmation/Middle School.*

*Adult Bible Study: Psalms*

### Wednesday Adult Bible Study: Exodus

Two sessions: 9:30am & 6:30pm.

### Calling All Cooks & Bakers !!

Pat Spolyar & Deacon Tom will host Dinner & Devotions for Cornerstone Campus Ministry at UAlbany's Chapel House on Tuesday, Oct. 5th at 6pm. We need your help in providing food for approx. 20 hungry students. If you are unable to provide food, monetary donations are welcome. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex or speak with Pat or Deacon Tom.

### Christ Our Savior Preschool Has Opened !!

Our Savior Lutheran School and Christ Lutheran Church are happy to report that our new preschool began operation on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Please support this ministry with your prayers. Volunteers are needed. You do not have to commit to all 5 days – select as many or as few days as work best. If interested, please contact Pastor Craig or Ruth Ahders.

- Teacher Helper - Assist with various classroom activities. Must be able to take directives from the Preschool Teacher  
Time: Every morning (9:00-11:30 est.).
- Snack Helper – Prep, supervise and clean-up after snack time  
Time: Every morning (10:00-10:30)
- Lunch Helper – Supervise and clean-up after lunch time  
Time: Every day (11:45-12:30)

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Josephine Baker

Betty Jane Casatelli

Herta Haupt

George & Harriet Klotz

Marie Lynch

Ottolina Maki

Dorothy Siebert

#### *Family & Friends*

Charles Ahlers

Erin Carhart

Keith Cole

Jean Davis

Daniel Dingley

Dustin Donovan

Teresa Grice

Laura Henstenberg

Jimmy Knappman

Jerry Lonn

Evan Kimmerer

Laura Langabeer

Teresa Langabeer

Vicky Quay

Doris Shumway

Tim Spielman

William Sorensen

Richard Stoller

Jim Thoman

(friend of Larry Bohn)

(niece of Della & Joe Henstenberg)

(friend of Lorraine & Tom Urbano)

(sister of Anne MacIntosh)

(friend of Carly DiSanto)

(grandson of Virginia Bradt)

(mother of Judy Zamurs)

(Aunt of Joe Henstenberg)

(Friend of Joe & Della Henstenberg)

(friend of Brian Maki)

(friend of the Fahd Family)

(niece of Judy Zamurs)

(sister of Judy Zamurs)

(daughter of Joan Long)

(mother of Joe Fahd)

(son-in-law of Linda Halbrend in Korea)

(nephew of Phyllis Mattice)

(grandson of Jean Alheim)

(friend of Larry Bohn)

Our Armed Forces, especially in Iraq & Afghanistan



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**Operation  
Christmas Child**  
A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

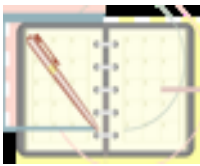
It's the most wonderful time of the year! With the kids jingle belling and everyone telling you, "Be of good cheer!" No, we haven't forgotten that it's only October, but it is once again time for Operation Christmas Child

and that means shoeboxes. Deacon Tom has picked up 50 pre-decorated shoeboxes this year. If you would like one, please speak with Deacon Tom. Shoeboxes need to be returned to church by November 14<sup>th</sup>.

### ***It's apple season in NY!***

The CLC Youth will be heading out to Indian Ladder after worship to pick apples. We will pick Red Delicious and Golden Delicious half bushel bags. The price is \$14 per bag this year (please give money to Deacon Tom). Apples will be ready for pick up at church after 2pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

We will also pick some extra apples for pies. These will be sold on October 17 after worship.



### Upcoming Events

- October 7 – Connections
- October 10 – Apple Picking
- October 17 – Pie Sale
- November 14 – Laser Tag

## **MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP**

Led by Len Ahders, the men's group held its first meeting in September 2005. For five years, the guys have enjoyed relaxed fellowship over a home cooked breakfast, prayer, praise, and Bible study, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 8:00-9:30am. All men are welcome and encouraged to join us on this exciting journey as we study and become inspired by the Spirit-filled disciples of the early church in "The Acts of the Apostles".

The next gathering will be on **October 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-9:30AM.**

## **CHRIST WOMEN**

Our new season got off to a very good start with 12 women attending.

The October meeting will be a luncheon at Central Steak on Oct 12<sup>th</sup>. All Women in the congregation are invited. See bulletin board for sign up.

October 10<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating L.W.M.L. Sunday. Please join us for coffee and sandwiches after church.

We sang Happy Birthday to our summer members. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*Anne MacIntosh*

### **FINANCIAL REPORT: July 31, 2010**

Income	\$ 6,465.00
Expenses:	\$ 12,990.02
Checkbook Balance:	
7/31/10	\$ 18,298.81
8/31/10	\$ 11,773.79

### ♪ From the Music Director ♪

We all know the story of Martin Luther's life so we don't need to see it here, but how many of you know about his hymn writing?

Martin Luther was one of the few hymn writers who also composed the music for many of his hymns. He began writing hymns in 1523, when he wrote *Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee*. Luther's first hymnal of eight hymns (of which he wrote four) was published in 1524. It was so popular a second edition was published later that year containing 25 hymns, 18 of which Luther wrote.

Luther's great hymn, *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, was written in 1529 shortly after the Diet of Spires, when the German princes made formal protest against revoking some of the liberties and received the name protestants. The hymn quickly became the hymn of the Reformation, inspiring people during the Reformation period and throughout the Thirty Years War between Catholics and Protestants, that racked Germany from 1618 to 1648.

When in 1529 Luther published his new hymnal, it replaced his earlier hymnals and was quickly put to use in his Wittenberg church where he had retained the Catholic form of mass, adding only a sermon and his beloved hymn singing.

During his career, Luther wrote a total of 37 hymns. The last hymnal he supervised was published in 1545. It contained 120 hymns and 97 hymn tunes. (Just as a sidenote, Luther DID NOT write *Away in a Manger* though it is often attributed to him). Luther was born November 10, 1483 and died on February 18, 1546.

*Sharon Calka*

### **New Church Sign**

In case you haven't noticed, we have a new church sign at the corner of Western Ave and E. Highland Dr. The new sign was purchased primarily with memorial offerings given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of William Barhydt. Memorial donations given for Preston Crans, Roy Matthews, Louis Davis (Lieberman), Doris Kniskern (Judy Bliven's mother), Rene Parah (brother of Ruth Ahders) and Robert Mathis Sr. (Carol Fike's brother) were also used.



## SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE ON SUNDAY

### OCTOBER 2010

Date	Usher	Lector	Acolyte	Communion
3		Mike McDermott	Ariel Sprunger	Alan Fike
10		Vicky McDermott	Vinny Demoor	Deacon Tom Craig
17		Tom Okure	Ben Duell	Mike McDermott
24		Lois Ruppert	Austin Laverty	---
31		Duane Stenzel	Ariel Sprunger	Pat Spolyar

### ALTAR FLOWERS DONATED FOR OCTOBER

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10	Christ Church Women	LWML Sunday
17	Dick & Hilda Griessel	In memory of departed loved ones
24	Lois Gerhardt & sons, Eric & Adam	In memory of husband and father Ron
31	Len & Ruth Ahders	In memory of departed loved ones

Cost of flowers is \$37.00. Envelopes for your donation can be found in the tract rack in the Narthex. Openings are available for Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. Please call Anne MacIntosh at 355-8570.

### HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

5	Lois Ruppert	19	Thomas Craig
9	Diane Flood	24	Mary La Porte
	Sarah Huehn	25	Michael Halbrend
10	Duane Stenzel		
11	Lorraine Urbano		



## October 2010

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> <b>9:15am</b> Christian Education <b>10:30</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i>	<b>4</b> <b>7:00pm</b> Council	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>9:30am</b> Bible Study <b>11:00am</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study	<b>7</b> <b>5:00pm</b> Confirmation <i>Connections</i> <b>6:30pm</b> Choir	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>8:00am</b> Men's Breakfast
<b>10</b> <b>LWML Sunday</b> <b>9:15am</b> Christian Education <b>10:30</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <b>11:45am</b> Youth apple picking	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Christ Women	<b>13</b> <b>9:30am</b> Bible Study <b>11:00am</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study	<b>14</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Choir	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> <b>9:15am</b> Christian Education <b>10:30</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>9:30am</b> Bible Study <b>11:00am</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study	<b>21</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Choir	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> <b>9:15am</b> Christian Education <b>10:30am</b> <i>Service of the</i> <i>Word</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>9:30am</b> Bible Study <b>11:00am</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i> <b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study	<b>28</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Choir	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> <b>9:15am</b> Christian Education <b>10:30am</b> <i>Holy</i> <i>Communion</i>						