



THE CROSSBEAM

JUNE 2022 / JULY 2022



Senior Blessing June 5th at 9:30am

*Congratulations to our 2022
High School Graduates!*

Tate Newman
Charlie Running



Isak Sevig
Blake Swanson



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
MONDAY, JUNE 20TH - THURSDAY, JUNE 23RD
9:00AM - 12:00PM





PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR MEMBERS:

- Gary Rue
- John Tjernagel
- Doug Pedersen
- Claudia Winkler
- Larry Hansen
- Sue & Chuck Metsala

FOR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF MEMBERS:

- Jennie Hendrickson family and baby Ian Ruhberg Hendrickson
- Marge Cogger, aunt of Dan Walker
- Tom Pederson, friend of Rick & Sandy Knight
- Jeanette Waletzko, aunt of Ken Waletzko
- Jim & Bill Heuer, brother and nephew of Maxine Truax
- Mark Roban and Luann Roban, brother and mother of Janelle Swanson
- Landon, Marie & Randy Rost, cousins of Kristin Walker
- Mary and Cal K, friends of Marsha Gullickson
- Nicki Zumberge and Tim Hansen, friends of Ron & Pat Nelson
- Trevor Randall, cousin of Natalie Boehne
- Lloyd Knight, brother of Rick Knight

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING FOR HEALING:

- Clare Emberley
- Don Haugo
- Rachel Bridell, Steve Scott, and Betsy Zumberge-friends of Ron & Pat Nelson

FOR COMFORT & SYMPATHY:

- Family of Gerald Karst, cousin of Marsha Gullickson, upon his death
- Family of Barb & Ken Weldon, upon the death of their brother-in-law, Bill McNally
- Family of Karl Tendrup on the death of his wife, Jeanene Tendrup
- Family of Jessica Abrahamson on the death of her mother's husband, Alex

The prayer list is divided into three categories: church members, relatives of church members, and friends. Friends and relatives will only be kept on the Crossbeam list for one month, unless the person who requested the prayers calls or emails to request another month. We would still appreciate members letting us know if we can change their prayer requests to prayers of thanksgiving for healing.

**CCLC Members Celebrating June Birthdays**

Tech Hieng Hong	Doug Pedersen
Natalie Boehne	Patricia Valen
Kelsey Stevens	Jim Stoops
Laura Little	Lydia Van Hout
David Little	Kris Wilson
McKenna Rupp	Dale Magee
Rose Marie West	Tim Nelson
Vaniths Prabakar	Shannon Bodick
Jonah Baker	Stu Nelson
Don MacElroy	Norah Anderson
Georgia Wilson	Sophie Nelson
Abigail Abrahamson	Jennifer Hendrickson

CCLC Members Celebrating July Birthdays

Indira Wobbema	Greg Running
Mason Coe	Pastor Erik Sevig
Lindsey Anderson	Jim Shultz
Jess Heckman	Kirk Hansen
Brad Bodick	Erik Anderson
Emily Schouten	Ashley Hansen
Bill Stevens	Casey Auen
Lizzy Perry	Joleen Hover
Deb Welken	Virgil Jelsma
Siobhan Wotherspoon	Jessica Abrahamson
Gail Szarzynski	Linda Titze
Leila Pope	Mary MacElroy
Mark Neu	Ashley Powers
Arnie Mickelson	Roseanna Johnson

CCLC Members Celebrating August Birthdays

Nancy Amundsen	Barb Weldon
Jackson Hove	Bobby Wotherspoon
Celia Heckman	Bennet Burfeind
Gayla Jensen	Ava Robinson
Rick Knight	Chuck Sletten
Carla Steinbach	Thea Straka
Chuck Metsala	Stacy McGrath
Matt Wilson	Bob Olson
Isaac Walker	Jenna Trenbeath
Nora Walker	Edith Harley
Curt Jackels	Dani Peoples
Peggy Pickerign	Demetria Carter
Peyton Stevens	David Kuplic
Cheryl Geesaman	Priscilla Bailey

If you would prefer that your name is not listed in the Crossbeam with the monthly birthdays, please notify the office at Office@cclcmn.org or 952-941-1247.



Dear Friends in Christ,

For this month's newsletter article, from out of my illustration file, I'd like to share a classic piece that always comes to mind this time of year. I present for you, "The Summer Parable":

Now it came to pass that, as the time of vacation drew near, a certain member of the church bethought him of cool streams where fish were found, and his children thought of sandy beaches by the sea, and his wife thought of the mountains. And this church member spoke and said, "Lo, let us depart and go where fishes do bite, and where the cool winds bring refreshment and the land is beautiful about us."

"Thou speakest words of wisdom," said the wife. "Yet three, nay even four things must we do ere we go."

"Three things think I of, but not a fourth," said her husband. "That we ask our neighbor to minister unto our flowers, that we arrange for our grass to be mowed and watered, and that we have our mail forwarded, but no other thing cometh to mind."

"The fourth is like unto the other three, but greater than all," said his spouse. "Even this, that thou dig into thy purse and pay the church pledge in order that the good name of the church may be preserved, that the heart of the treasurer may be glad, and that it may be will with thee. For very truly I tell you, thou hast more money now than thou wilt have when thou doest return."

And the husband replied, "Verily thou are noble and wise among women." And he did pay his pledge for the summer and the treasurer rejoiced greatly saying, "Of a truth, there are those who care for the good of the church." And it was so. (Rev. Robert Dirks, St John's Lutheran Church, Bloomer, Wisconsin)

I hope you will consider the message of "The Summer Parable" in the next weeks as your own summer plans begin to take shape. As you are making the final preparations before enjoying your much-needed vacation, don't forget that your congregation's ministry continues even while you are away, which means the

expenses continue too. A pattern can be observed in our congregation where the worship attendance and giving both fall dramatically during the summer months; with August being the lowest attended month of the entire year. Attendance is one thing, since no one can be in two places at once. But, I would like to encourage everyone to do their part to help keep our congregation's level of giving steady over the summer. And remember, your congregation (and the treasurer) thanks you!

Sincerely in Christ,
Pastor Erik



From VEAP:

Dear Friends at Community of the Cross,

Thank you so much for your generous financial support in 2022. We can't do what we do without you!

*Joe McDonald
C.E.O.*

Financial Information—*as of the end of April 2022*

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Annual Budget
General Fund Receipts	\$ 281,624.19	\$ 283,951.00	\$ 605,688.00
General Expenses	(181,010.32)	(179,065.58)	(605,688.00)
General Funds Total	\$ 100,613.87	\$ 104,885.42	\$ -
Dedicated Mortgage Fund balance: January	\$ 26,471.90	\$ 26,471.90	\$ 26,471.90
Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mortgage expenses	(26,471.90)	(26,471.90)	(26,471.90)
Dedicated Mortgage Fund balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
** Effective 2022, the mortgage expenses will be passed through the operating statement.			

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE IN APRIL

	3	10*	17**	24
8:45 AM				
In Person	75	110	139	84
Online Views	42	77	85	42
10:30 AM				
In Person	49	111	148	28
Online Views	21	42	31	26
Wed Lenten				
In Person	77			
Online	38			
Maundy Thursday				
In Person		56		
Online		44		
Good Friday				
In Person		61		
Online		46		
Sunrise Service			150	
TOTAL	302	547	553	180
MONTHLY AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				396
Y-T-D AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				251

*First Communion **Easter.

**Funerals:**

We are saddened by the loss of

- Jeanene Tendrup
- Dave Docter

**Baptisms:**

Ian Carl Ruhberg Hendrickson

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE IN MAY

	1*	8	15	22	29**
8:45 AM					
In Person	68	75	69	57	
Online Views	39	71	59	44	
10:30 AM					
In Person	105	57	38	35	
Online Views	25	19	17	24	
9:30 AM					
In Person					72
Online Views					58
TOTAL	237	222	183	160	130
MONTHLY AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE					186
Y-T-D AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE					236

*9:30 Confirmation **Memorial Day Weekend

CCLC CELEBRATES!

**The Third Grade Class received their
First Communion in April:**
Aria Wobbema, Abigail Stalin, Mason Coe,
Sophia Baroun, Leah Anderson, Abigail Abrahamson



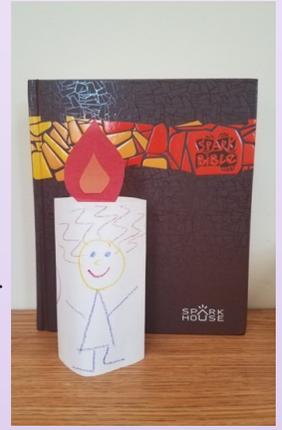
Confirmed in May into the Body of Christ:
Sophie Ouellet, Ashley Hansen, Becket Newman, Asher Wabs





**“This little light of mine,
I’m gonna let it shine!”**

That’s a wrap on another fantastic Sunday School year! It’s such a blessing to watch the kids grow their relationships with God and with each other. Sunday School may be done, but Faith Education is just shifting into summer mode. Next up is Vacation Bible School in June. Kids will learn all about our Awesome God during our desert-themed games, crafts, service projects and Bible stories. Kids and families will have additional opportunities for fellowship and fun throughout July and August with Music in the Park and mini-golf



Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday celebrations included an Easter Egg Hunt, the Children’s Choir, and First Communion.



Children's Choirs on Palm Sunday



Volunteer Ministry



In the next few months I will be highlighting some of our volunteers at CCLC. I'm hoping their answers to a few questions will help everyone see the wonderful benefits of volunteering and sharing your gifts with our CCLC family!



**NORMA
MONSON**

This month's volunteer is Norma Monson.

- **In what areas do you currently serve as a volunteer?**

Communion, Greeter, Usher

- **What are the responsibilities in these areas?**

Prepare, serve, and clean up communion; greeting members and visitors as they arrive for worship; assuring that everything is in order for worship in the sanctuary, passing out bulletins, assisting people in entering the sanctuary for worship

- **What do you enjoy most about serving in these areas?**

I love greeting people on Sunday mornings and meeting any visitors. It is a good feeling when people tell you, 'I feel so honored when you serve me communion.' The fellowship with others is so fulfilling.

- **Why would you suggest others volunteer at CCLC?**

The first Sunday after we had joined CCLC, there was a Super Signup Sunday in the fellowship hall. All of the commissions had tables set up where people could sign up to volunteer. As soon as we got home from church, the phone was ringing and I said 'YES' to being an office volunteer! That led to my being hired as Volunteer Coordinator six months later! I'd always wanted to work in a church. I firmly believe that if you belong to something, you need to participate and get involved! I love being part of the CCLC community.

CCLC needs YOU to volunteer!

There are many ways to sign up. Look for the signup sheet on the welcome table in the narthex, sign up in the welcome folder, or online at cclcmn.org/serve/atcclc. We interrupt this article to offer a treat to those reading it. Please see a staff member in the office to get your treat and no telling your friends. Let's see how many read it! Also, feel free to email Sandy Knight at volunteerministry@cclcmn.org or Jamie Manzi-Moore at music@cclcmn.org with questions or to sign up to volunteer. Thank you for your willingness to serve at CCLC!

**ONE OF THE
GREATEST GIFTS
YOU CAN GIVE
YOUR TIME**

#VOLUNTEER

Welcome

**Clyde Eddy
Jamie & Gayla Jensen
Jim & Heidi Johnston
Bob Kullberg
Joe, Kendra &Carolynn Mork
Marge Oleson
Tom & Amy Pederson
Chris & Kelly Roe
Greg, Diane & Charlie Running
Keith & Robin Walters**

Music & Worship Ministry Director



Greetings everyone!

As we move into the summer months, and some of our musical groups take a well-deserved break, I wanted to take a moment to express sincere gratitude.

We are so blessed to have such a talented and dedicated group of musicians that enhance our worship experience so beautifully in our Jubilation Ringers Handbell Choir. With only one hour of rehearsal each week, this group continues to rise to the challenge of preparing prayerful and meditative pieces of music that bring us all a little closer to God. Ringers, you are amazing and CCLC is better because you are here leading us in this role.

Our Chancel Choir, small in number and large in heart, voice and spirit, enhances our worship experience in such lovely, heartfelt ways. Whether it's an up-tempo spiritual, a lively celebratory Easter Hymn, or a soft reflective prayerful selection, their hearts and voices tell a beautiful story. The story of our savior's love for all of us. They've been doing all of this so beautifully, even while wearing masks throughout most of this past season. If you haven't spent a solid hour singing through a mask, give it a try sometime. It is no easy task. A special word of thanks to Chancel Choir member Natalie Boehne for your musical leadership with the kids at CCLC! From the Christmas Program to special music at services, you help the kids and all of us have fun while we worship. Thank you Chancel Choir for all you do for us!

The level of music that we experience each week at the 8:45 traditional service would not be at all possible, were it not for our Organist Marsha Gullickson, and Pianist Sandy Knight. Put them together on a prelude, postlude or a special Easter hymn, and it is magical!

The talents Marsha shares with us at the organ, as well as the piano and keyboard are always so beautiful. The time she puts into selecting and preparing perfectly appropriate preludes and postludes week after week is amazing. She leads us through our hymns with a wonderful variety of voicings on an organ that has seen better days. She always knows how to make it work, even when the organ would rather not! I encourage all of you to take a seat in your pew a few minutes before service, and to stay after the final blessing to experience the beauty of what Marsha so prayerfully brings to us. Marsha, thank you for accompanying me and others on special music, filling in when needed in 3YJ, and for all that you do. CCLC appreciates you!

Sandy shares her musical skills at the piano with all of us so generously and beautifully. She accompanies the choir and goes above and beyond to make sure each piece is prayerful, musical, and that the choir is well supported. She has stepped up and added piano to enhance the new liturgy music we've been singing. She accompanies special music selections and rings in the Jubilation Ringers Handbell Choir. Sandy, thank you for all that you do behind the scenes as well as front and center, and for sharing your love of music with our congregation. CCLC appreciates you!

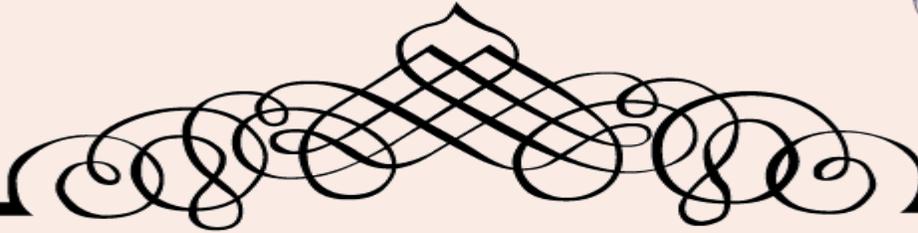
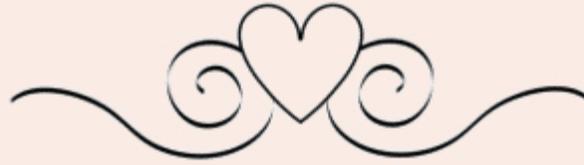
I must also express my gratitude for the fantastic musicians at our 10:30 contemporary service, 3YJ. Under the strong and talented leadership of Janelle Swanson, week after week this group brings our worship experience from prayerful meditation to rousing joy with a great variety of Contemporary Christian music. I've had the privilege of helping out with AV at many of our 10:30 services over the past few months, and one of the many blessings I've received in that is getting to pray and sing with such an inspired and talented group of people. Thank you 3YJ for blessing us with your music!

Finally, none of us at any of our services could do what we do in music ministry if it weren't for our dedicated volunteers in our AV/Sound Ministry! Bill Little, Jennifer Rodgers, Eric Nygren, Margie Hartmann, Aaron VanHout, and Josh Baker, thank you all for making sure that everyone can hear us, that everyone can see us on our livestream, and that we can pray and sing along with the slides that Janelle Swanson so beautifully provides for us. We can't thank you enough, and you are so appreciated for all you do behind the scenes!

I hope that you will join me in thanking these folks for all they do, when you see them in person. I also hope that each of you will consider getting on board in one of these ministries. There's a place for you in any of these groups, and if you aren't a musical person, we still need so much more help in our AV/Sound Ministry. The blessings you receive and the hearts you inspire when participating in these ministries are many.

Thankfully yours in Christ,
Jamie Manzi-Moore
Music and Worship Director





*Lois Larson and Clyde Eddy
invite you to attend their wedding
Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 10:30 AM
following the worship service at 9:30 AM
Community of the Cross Lutheran Church
10701 Bloomington Ferry Road
Bloomington*

*Reception will follow in
Fellowship Hall*

*Please RSVP on sign-up in narthex
Or online to jllarson2@msn.com*

Community of the Cross Lutheran Church June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
SENIOR BLESSING at 9:30 am Worship		9:00am Men's Coffee Fellowship/MR 9:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 10:15am Women's Bible Study/MR 6:30pm Education Commission/GS 7:15 CCLC Softball-Dred Scott Field 7				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8:40 3YJ Rehearsal/SA 9:30am Worship	6:30pm VBS Volunteer Training/GS	9:00am Men's Coffee Fellowship/MR 9:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 10:15am Women's Bible Study/MR 6:30pm Church Council/MR 7:15 CCLC Softball-Dred Scott Field 7	6:00pm Men's Dinner Group 6:30pm Book Club 7:00pm VBS Training/GS			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9:30am Worship	9:00am Vacation Bible School	9:00am Vacation Bible School 9:00am Men's Coffee Fellowship/MR 9:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 10:15am Women's Bible Study/MR 9:15 CCLC Softball-Dred Scott Field 7	9:00am Vacation Bible School 6:00pm VBS Family Night with Magician/SA & FH	9:00am Vacation Bible School		
26	27	28	29	30		
8:40 3YJ Rehearsal/SA 9:30am Worship		9:00am Men's Coffee Fellowship/MR 9:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 10:15am Women's Bible Study/MR 9:15 CCLC Softball-Dred Scott Field 7				

You will find our July & August calendars and the most up-to-date information on calendar events at cclcmn.org.

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