

Community of the Cross Lutheran Church

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Ministers: Every Member

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

Reading: James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

John said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

Today's Worship Assistants:

- Greeters-8:45 Norma Monson & Jodi Engberg
- Ushers—Darren & Anya Anderson, Dick Kolkmann & Randy Johnson
- Readers – 8:45 Barb Weldon, 10:30 Scott Swanson • Children's Sermon - David Little

ADULT FORUMS RESUME TODAY

Please grab coffee and a donut and join Pastor Erik in the Meeting Room each Sunday from 9:40-10:25am for a variety of topics and conversations related to faith and life.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Our Sunday worship services depend on many volunteers. We need **greeters** to welcome everyone to worship when they arrive, **ushers** to pass out bulletins and assist with questions, volunteers to present the **Children's Message**, **readers** for the Scripture lessons, **assistants for serving communion**, **assistants with audio/visual**, and last, but certainly NOT least, we need volunteers to help with the **fellowship hour**.

There are many ways to sign up: on the sheet at the welcome table in the narthex, in the welcome folders, or online at cclcmn.org/atcclc.html. You can also email Sandy Knight at volunteerministry@cclcmn.org or Jamie Manzi-Moore at music@cclcmn.org.

Thank you for your willingness to serve at CCLC!

“THEOLOGY ON TAP”—NEW FELLOWSHIP/DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY EVENT FOR EVERYONE AGES 21 TO 101!

Please join Pastor Erik for “Theology on Tap” at Wooden Hill Brewery in Edina on Thursday, October 7 from 7-8:30pm. We will meet once a month this entire year for drinks, fellowship, and discussion as we work our way through Martin Luther's Small Catechism.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIR OPPORTUNITIES

Does your child love to sing? Let us know! We're looking to form a Children's Choir and Youth Choir or a Mixed-Age Choir depending on interest levels. If your children are interested, please email Jamie their names and grade levels at music@cclcmn.org. Please also let us know if a practice on Sunday mornings, 9:45am-10:30am (15 minute practice during Faith Education), or Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm-6:30pm (30 minute practice before Confirmation), would work best for your family.

DONUTS ARE BACK

Please join us for fellowship hour following worship. Donuts, coffee and water are available. We will need volunteers to help plate donuts and place coffee carafes at the fellowship area window each week. Please consider signing up to help during our Sunday morning coffee hour so that we can continue this fellowship time with each other!

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

FOR HEALTH/WELLBEING:

- **Jeff Hove**, father of Brad Hove
- Dennis Kemp, brother-in-law of Jane & Larry Hansen
- Alex Zellner, step-father of Jessica Abrahamson
- Susan Emberley, daughter-in-law of Clare Emberley
- Jim Banks, friend of Dan Walker
- Luann Roban, mother of Janelle Swanson
- Heidi Hendrickson
- Sue and Chuck Metsala
- Mark Roban, brother of Janelle Swanson
- Ryan Van Riper

IN COMFORT & SYMPATHY:

- For Maxine Truax and family upon the death of her brother.

IN CELEBRATION:

- The flowers on the altar are given by Aaron & Jenna Van Hout in honor of their 8th wedding anniversary.

IN OUR CONTINUING PRAYER FOR ALL CCLC HOUSEHOLDS:

Jim & Sandy Shultz, Chuck & Charmayne Sletten, Kurt & Sandy Smith, Carla Steinbach, Bill & Stacey Stevens

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO TOUCH LIVES WITH THE LOVE OF GOD

EVERY MEAL—More than 300,000 children in Minnesota live with food insecurity. When these children don't have access to the free and reduced meal programs at school, they don't have access to reliable food and the risk of hunger is very real. Every Meal works to fight hunger in our community by filling the gaps in food access that children face during weekends, summers, and extended breaks. CCLC is committed to providing food for these children at Olson Elementary. **TO DONATE:** Write a check to CCLC with "Every meal" in the memo line or drop cash and/or loose change in the noisy offering bucket.

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This Week At Community of the Cross

Today is September 26, 2021—18th Sunday after Pentecost

	8:45 am	Traditional Worship
	9:40 am	3YJ Rehearsal/SA
	9:40 am	Adult Forum: NOOMA video Discussion - "Store"
	9:45 am	Faith Education/Fellowship
	10:30 am	Contemporary Worship w/HC
Tues 9/28	9:00 am	Men's Coffee/MR
	9:00 am	Faithfully Fit
	10:15 am	Bible Study/GS
	1:00 pm	Parish Nurse Office Hours/MO
Wed 9/29	6:30 pm	Confirmation/YR
	6:30 pm	Jubilation Ringers/SA
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir/SA

Next Sunday - October 3, 2021

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2, Psalm 100, John 20:19-30

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF CCLC!

**9:30 am Unity Worship w/Anniversary
Lunch following**