

Sunday Volunteer Schedule

September 09 9:30 a.m. Service

Greeters: Sue DeSautel Family
Ushers: Lisa Ahles/Jackie Krieglstein
Reader: Christine Loppnow
Hospitality: Mertz Family
Nursery: Lexie Wagner

September 16 8:30 a.m. Service

Greeters: Mike & Dakota Snyder
Altar Care: Jamie Richardson
Multimedia: Brad Lotto
Ushers: Lisa & Jim Borowski
Reader: Tina Hanson
Comm. Dist 1: Pastor, Tina & Eli Hanson
2: Dan & De Dalum, [Help?](#)
Hospitality: Keven & Rachel Sprehe Family
Power Point: Linda Mix
Nursery: Lexie Wagner

10:35 a.m. Service

Chris & Jodi Gennrich
 Warren Beske
 Brad & Ashley Fischer
 Wendy & Gary Bekx
 Gary Timm
 Pastor, Kathy & Maddie Brazil
 Kay Ryder, Angie Brazil-McMillan, Lexi Brazil
 Kelly & Julie Shattuck
 Linda Mix
 Lexie Wagner

God's Green Acres

September 11: [Can You Help?](#)
 September 18: [Can You Help?](#)
 September 25: [Can You Help?](#)
 October 2: Gary & Patti Ruhle

Attendance Last Week: 119



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News About God's People



CHRISTUS IS A GROWING BODY OF CHRISTIANS WHO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE WITH ALL PEOPLE THROUGH COURAGEOUS LOVE WITH A PURPOSE.

September 09, 2018

Time after Pentecost

Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 35:4-7a, James 2:1-10, 14-17

Mark 7:24-37

Everyone Is Welcome!

Christus Corner



Special Prayers For:

Mike Loppnow, continued prayers as **Mike** continues radiation.

ThedaCare Regional Medical Center, Pastoral Care—Neenah, WI for continued blessings for our partner in ministry as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.

Thought For The Week:

Blessing of the Pets

Where does the idea of blessing our pets come from? Christians often hold pet blessing services around October 4, which is the day set aside to commemorate the life and work of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis had a high regard for all of God's creatures. He believed that all of creation, not just humankind, is capable of praising God. This isn't a belief he just made up, the Psalms bear witness to trees clapping their hands and hills rejoicing. Psalm 36 also speaks of God's intent to save human and animal alike. Genesis 9 tells us of God's covenant with not just Noah and his family, but with "every living creature that is with you." It is for this reason that we joyfully speak God's blessing upon the animals entrusted to our care, while at the same time giving thanks to God for the blessing that our furry, feathered, and finned friends are to us.

Announcements:

Church Picnic 11:00 a.m. Today!!

Everyone is welcome to the picnic, starting at 11:00 a.m. Plan to enjoy food, fellowship, and lots of fun.

Children are invited to take a turn in the bounce house and all are encouraged to join in on the games and activities.

General Fund Activity Through 7/31/18:

	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>
Income - contribution	\$188,054	\$212,083	\$190,122
Income - designated	\$29,107	\$24,994	\$20,963
Income - Scrip	\$5,010	\$5,626	\$5,250
Income - other	\$6,797	\$1,605	\$875
Expense	\$242,295	\$255,844	\$233,980
Surplus (Shortfall)	(\$13,327)	(\$11,536)	(\$16,770)

Accounting procedures changed in 2018 so some comparisons to 2017 are not possible.



Welcome To Our Guests



Good morning, and may God bless your worship with us today! Nursery care is available for infants through kindergarten, 9:15 a.m. until after the service.

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship following worship. **Before you leave today, please fill out a visitor information card, found in your pew, and drop it off in the offering basket. Also, stop by our Welcome Desk to pick up a welcome bag.**

Christus is equipped with hearing-assistance devices. If you would like a device, please see an usher.

Thank you, and please come and worship with us often!



Weekly Events:

Sunday September 9:

8:00 a.m. Blood Drive at Christus

9:30 a.m. Pet Blessing Worship, no communion

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Picnic

Tuesday, September 11:

4:30 p.m. God's Green Acres

6:30 p.m. All Ministry Team Meeting

Wednesday, September 12:

9:30 a.m. Wed Morning Women's Bible Study

11:45 a.m. Daytimers' Pot-Luck Luncheon

6:00 p.m. G2 Youth Group

6:00 p.m. Mentor Meeting

Thursday September 13:

4:30 p.m. NAMI Meeting

Sunday September 16:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Morning Service, with Communion

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:35 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service, with Communion

Monday, September 17:

6:30 p.m. Pub Theology @ the StoneYard

Tuesday, September 18:

4:30 p.m. God's Green Acres

6:00 p.m. Business Management Team Meeting

Wednesday, September 19:

9:30 a.m. Wed Morning Women's Bible Study

6:00 p.m. G2 Youth Group

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Orientation

News and Notes:

Sponsor a Sunday School or Confirmation Student: Buy a Bible—Christus would like to gift each PreK, 3rd grader, and 6th grader with an age appropriate Bible to help instruct them in the Christian faith. We are asking for your help. Can you please sponsor a student this year by buying a Bible for them? There are \$20 and \$25 Bibles needed. Please look for the Bible tree in the gathering area. Thank you!

Online Bible Study: Each week, Pastor Jen will post the following Sunday's Bible reading to the new, online Facebook Bible Study, along with a few questions. Join by going to the Christus Facebook page & click on 'Groups' to request to be added to the group.

Sunday School: Sunday School starts today, **September 9th**, with a special shortened event from 10:30-11:00 a.m. The normal Sunday School time of 9:45-10:30 a.m. will begin **September 16th**.

Confirmation Registration: For all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade youth parents. Schedule is as follows:

September 12, 6:00 p.m., Mentor Meeting

September 19, 6:30 p.m., Confirmation Parent/Student Orientation

September 26, 6:00 p.m., Confirmation

God's Green Acres (GGA): We have beautiful grounds here at Christus, but it takes a lot of work to keep it all looking nice. GGA meets **every Tues evening-October @ 4:30 p.m.**, but anytime you can arrive will work. Families are welcome. **YOUTH: It's a great opportunity to earn service hours, too!** Sign up on the Kiosk to reserve your week.

News and Notes Continued:

Pub Theology: Every 1st & 3rd Mon of the month @ 6:30 p.m. @ the StoneYard, enjoy fellowship, conversation & drinks with other Christians. We meet about 5:30 p.m. for a meal with discussion starting about 6:30 p.m. We will continue to discuss the book by Adam Hamilton entitled, "**Christianity and World Religions**".

September 17th: We will discuss Chapter 3—Buddhism, with Vicki Riley

October 1st: We will discuss Chapter 5—Judaism, with Suzanne Nuernberger

October 15th: We will discuss Chapter 6—Christianity, with Nile Beck

November 5th and 19th: we will start a new book or activity.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Put this date on your fall calendar! **October 14th at 1:00 p.m.** Vacation – Sports – Quilt Auction for Fox Valley Lutheran Homes.

Fast Facts:



Sunday Worship Services:

9:00 a.m.—Blended Summer Worship

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