

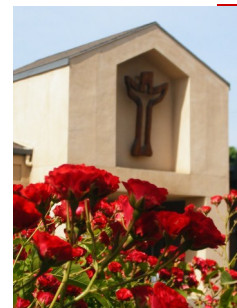
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## MAY 14TH

# GOING TO CONCERT AND CARNIVAL IN THE PARK



**FEATURING**  
**BALONEY CREEK**

A personal bluegrass style with a twist of swing, a bit of blues, and a collection of old time fiddle tunes.

**SCHEDULE**

4:00-5:00	Mariachi band
4:00-5:30	Country Fair: Bounce Houses, Face Painting, Dunk Tank, Magician, Relay Races and more.
5:00-6:00	BBQ
5:30-6:00	Baloney Creek
6:00-6:15	Brief History Presentation
6:15-7:00	Baloney Creek

**GOOD FOOD, GOOD MUSIC, LOTS OF LAUGHTER AND CONVERSATION**

**EVERYTHING IS FREE!**

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR MAY

**“LET’S GET RICH!”**

We run the risk this month of people misunderstanding the intent. When people think of being “rich,” they think of money. But real wealth is not in the size of our bank account, or the accumulation of our things. Real wealth is found in the depth of our relationships. This month we discover how God desires to grow our “relational capital” in the series, *Let’s Get Rich!* This could be the most important worship series we have ever offered. It might be best to bring a friend.

8 AM — Liturgical Worship/Traditional  
 9:30 & 11 AM — ChristSong Worship

DATE	THEME	BIBLE TEXT
May 7	Investing in a Friend	Mark 2:1-12
May 8	Investing in Your Children <i>Special: Mother’s Day!</i>	Luke 2:25-35
May 15	Investing in Your Church <i>Special: Homecoming Weekend!</i>	Philippians 2:1-5
May 22	Investing in Your Marriage	Ephesians 5:21-28
May 29	Investing in the World	Revelation 21:1-6



### WIN A SUN BONNET SUE QUILT!

The CLC Quilters have assembled several donated “Sun Bonnet Sue” quilt squares into 3 quilts which will be raffled off during our 50th Anniversary Carnival on May 14. Tickets will go on sale on Sunday, May 1, and are 1 for \$5.00, or 3 for \$10.00. Proceeds will benefit the ChristKids Preschool Scholarship Fund.

Also, if you know who donated these quilt pieces, please call Ruth @ 732 8463, so the Quilters can express their appreciation for the donation!

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# Pastor Malison's News for the Pews

Not long ago a friend shared with me a bulletin of a church they visited. It was not an ELCA congregation. One way I knew it wasn't was in the direction provided regarding Holy Communion. In essence the bulletin said, "If you are not a member of our church then you can't be a part of Holy Communion." It went on to say, "Holy Communion is for us a meal which signifies the unity of our church, and since you are not a member of our church, please stay in the seat while others commune and pray for the unity of the church."

Two things really bothered me about this church's statement. First, they intentionally deprive people of receiving God's grace. Holy Communion is, pure and simple, God's act of grace upon our lives, and not our agreement on what unifies us. It is the Lord's Supper after all, not our supper.

The second reason this really bothered me is that it left more questions in than it answered – what it is that unifies us? I think that is not only a good question, but an essential question which every church, and every member of a church, needs to answer.

The reason I love Christ Lutheran Church, and I think the reason why we have had an effective ministry for 50 years, is that we have a solid evangelical understanding of what unifies us. It is Jesus Christ. Or more specifically, it is God's redeeming

work done for us in Jesus Christ. The death and resurrection of Jesus, and what that means for us and for all creation, is the glue that holds us together.

Around this center, for 50 years CLC has upheld some common values which help us embrace and live out faith in Jesus Christ. They are serving others unconditionally, pursuing honest and caring relationships, helping people discover their unique God-given potential, practicing grace-filled acceptance, and giving generously to God's glory. These values have run through the fabric of our history together.

You see, I think if we are real clear about our center (what unifies us) and the values that uphold that center, then everything else will fall into place. I believe crystal clarity about our center allows us to be fuzzy about the periphery. There are a lot of things that we don't need to agree about. That may not make everyone happy (especially someone who comes from the kind of church described above), but I think that it makes for a healthy church, and a Biblically grounded church.

So come, one and all. Come especially to Holy Communion. Holy Communion is in deed a meal which signifies the unity of our church, for we are unified in our common confession of being found as sinful, but redeemed through the gift of grace from God in Jesus.

I hope to see you at the Lord's Supper.

*Pastor Brian Malison*

Brian can be reached via email at [Brian@clcvisalia.org](mailto:Brian@clcvisalia.org).

## Campus Updates

*Special THANKS* to those that provided manual labor and support for our annual Spring Clean. Under the leadership of John Schol our campus keeps getting better! Thanks again for the sharing of your time and talent to CLC.

Our Endowment Funds have grown to \$370,000. Our constitution states that once we hit \$400,000 we can begin putting amounts over this to good causes. Since we are so close I remind everyone of the multitude of ways you support CLC through a gift to the Endowment. Please contact me for consultation if you have questions or choose to help.

As we approach our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration I just give thanks to God for how he spoils us. We must remember to count our blessings, which are many, and give recognition to God for what we have. I'm thankful for the difference our church makes in this world!

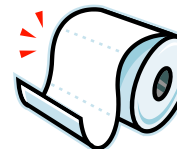
*Mike Johnson*

Mike can be reached via email at [mike@clcvisalia.org](mailto:mike@clcvisalia.org)

### Goshen STEP UP Donations

Many thanks to all who have already donated items for the personal hygiene kits for Goshen's STEP UP event on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Donations of **TOILET PAPER** are now needed to add to the kits. Bring some on or before May 22<sup>nd</sup> and leave in or near the BLUE tubs in the foyer. Envelopes marked for Goshen are on the bulletin board by the tubs.

If you prefer that we do the shopping for you, put your check in one of those envelopes, then into the offering plate. Thanks be to God for the blessing you are to the residents of Goshen!



### WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

*Discovering Jesus*

The Wonderful Wednesday class in May will attempt to answer the question, *Who is Jesus*, by placing Jesus in the context of the first-century and understanding the expectations of the Messiah. Each week Bible study will offer a different theme of the Messianic expectation, and help to see why things Jesus said and did not only pointed to his self-understanding as the long awaited Messiah, but also caused those in power to counteract his claims. The class will meet May 4, 11, 18, and 25 in the CLC from 6:30 to 7:45 pm. Bring your own Bible. Child care available.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of the dozen of servants who helped provide soup for our Lenten Meals, and to all those who set-up, served, and cleaned up. Your help was so much appreciated by your church family.

To those who helped organize the sack lunch servant event on April 13, your help was so much appreciated as well.

It is through servanthood that we grow closer to Christ.

# ChristKids News



May is a month full of celebration! Please join us for our annual Open House on May 3. All classrooms will be open from 5-6:30pm with a hotdog dinner served in the CCC.

On May 26 we will celebrate the graduation of 50 of our preschoolers with a special chapel service in the sanctuary at 11:30am. All children leaving for kindergarten will receive their own bible.

This month we will also be celebrating the special people in our lives including our CLC family. Special thanks to Jennifer Mustin (board president) and our ChristKids Board for their hard work. Thanks to Bethel Circle and the CLC Quilters for their continued support of our preschool. Thank you, Carolyn Johnson for continuing to bring us joy through your music. Thanks to each one of you for your prayers and encouragement over these past 12 years.

*How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!*

*PSALM 133:1*

*With Joy,  
Barbara*

Email: [barbara@christkidsclc.org](mailto:barbara@christkidsclc.org)



### PrimeTimers Pizza Lunch

Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 12:15 pm

Pizza and Salad for \$5.00 in the

Christian Life Center

Our program is on health issues and taking care of oneself, with the CLC Health Team.

Please sign up in the foyer and join us for good food, fellowship and worthwhile information. Please note that this is the PrimeTimers last event prior to summer break and we'll return in September.

# May 2011 — Calendar of Events

This calendar is updated weekly and is available online at [www.clcvisalia.org](http://www.clcvisalia.org).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Worship @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am <b>8:08 AM</b> The 8:08 Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Education for All <b>1:00 PM</b> Lahu Worship <b>1:30 PM</b> Thrivent Meeting <b>2:00 PM</b> First Communion Class <b>6:00 PM</b> 7-8th Grade Confirmation <b>6:00 PM</b> Lambert Reception <b>7:30 PM</b> RELATE @ "The House"	<b>2</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree <b>6:30 PM</b> AA Book Group <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout Dens <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>3</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Quilting <b>9:15 AM</b> Staff Prayer <b>5:00 PM</b> ChristKids Open House <b>6:00 PM</b> AYSO Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA <b>7:00 PM</b> Al Anon	<b>4</b> <b>11:40 AM</b> ChristKids Chapel <b>12:30 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> Praise Adventures <b>5:30 PM</b> Youth CORE Events <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Wonderful Wednesday	<b>5</b> <b>4:20 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>6:00 PM</b> Christian Meditation <b>7:00 PM</b> Mozart Requiem @ St. Mary's	<b>6</b> <b>6:30 AM</b> Well Women @ Valhalla's <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:00 PM</b> Youth Bowling <b>6:30 PM</b> Freedom Fellowship	<b>7</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>10:00 AM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>10:00 AM</b> Singing at the Delta Home <b>4:00 PM</b> Lahu Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous
<b>8</b> Worship @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am <b>8:08 AM</b> The 8:08 Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Education for All <b>1:00 PM</b> Lahu Worship <b>6:00 PM</b> 7-8th Grade Confirmation <b>7:30 PM</b> RELATE @ "The House"	<b>9</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> AA Book Group <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout Dens <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>10</b> <b>9:15 AM</b> Staff Prayer <b>4:00 PM</b> CLCW Board Meeting <b>6:00 PM</b> Prayer Team <b>7:00 PM</b> AA <b>7:00 PM</b> Al Anon	<b>11</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Mary Martha Circle <b>12:30 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> Youth CORE Events <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Wonderful Wednesday	<b>12</b> <b>11:40 AM</b> ChristKids Chapel <b>4:20 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>5:40 PM</b> Handbells <b>6:00 PM</b> Christian Meditation <b>6:30 PM</b> Worship Choir	<b>13</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> J. Schol Meeting <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Freedom Fellowship	<b>14</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>10:00 AM</b> J. Schol Meeting <b>10:00 AM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>10:00 AM</b> Second Saturday Serve Youth Event & Reunion <b>4:00 PM</b> Homecoming Carnival & BBQ <b>4:00 PM</b> Lahu Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics
<b>15</b> Homecoming Worship @ 8, 9:30 and 11 am <b>8:08 AM</b> The 8:08 Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Education for All <b>12:15 PM</b> PrimeTimers <b>1:00 PM</b> Lahu Worship <b>6:00 PM</b> 7-8th Grade Confirmation <b>7:30 PM</b> RELATE @ "The House"	<b>16</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> AA Book Group <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout Dens <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>17</b> <b>9:15 AM</b> Staff Prayer <b>10:00 AM</b> Bethel Circle @ CLC <b>7:00 PM</b> AA <b>7:00 PM</b> Al Anon	<b>18</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Cut and Sew Group <b>11:40 AM</b> ChristKids Chapel <b>12:30 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> Youth CORE Events <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Wonderful	<b>19</b> <b>7:00 AM</b> Finance Team <b>4:20 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>5:00 PM</b> Executive Team <b>5:40 PM</b> Handbells <b>6:00 PM</b> Christian Meditation <b>6:30 PM</b> Worship Choir	<b>20</b> <b>6:30 AM</b> Well Women @ Valhalla's <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Freedom Fellowship	<b>21</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Swedish Pancake Breakfast @ C. Johnson <b>10:00 AM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>10:00 AM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>4:00 PM</b> Lahu Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous
<b>22</b> Church Staff on Retreat Worship @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am <b>8:08 AM</b> The 8:08 Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Education for All <b>1:00 PM</b> Lahu Worship <b>6:00 PM</b> 7-8th Grade Confirmation <b>7:30 PM</b> RELATE @ "The House"	<b>23</b> Church Staff on Retreat <b>9:30 AM</b> Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> AA Book Group <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout Pack	<b>24</b> Church Staff on Retreat <b>6:00 PM</b> Church Board <b>7:00 PM</b> AA <b>7:00 PM</b> Al Anon	<b>25</b> <b>12:30 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> Youth CORE Events <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Wonderful Wednesday	<b>26</b> <b>11:30 AM</b> ChristKids Graduation <b>4:20 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>5:40 PM</b> Handbells <b>6:00 PM</b> Christian Meditation <b>6:30 PM</b> Worship Choir	<b>27</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Freedom Fellowship	<b>28</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>10:00 AM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>4:00 PM</b> Lahu Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous
<b>29</b> Worship @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am <b>8:08 AM</b> The 8:08 Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Education for All <b>1:00 PM</b> Lahu Worship <b>7:30 PM</b> RELATE @ "The House"	<b>30</b> Office Closed <b>9:30 AM</b> Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> AA Book Group <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout Dens <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>31</b> <b>9:15 AM</b> Staff Prayer <b>6:00 PM</b> ChristKids Preschool Board Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA <b>7:00 PM</b> Al Anon	<b>1</b> <b>12:30 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> Youth CORE Events <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal	<b>2</b> <b>4:20 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>5:40 PM</b> Handbells <b>6:00 PM</b> Christian Meditation <b>6:30 PM</b> Worship Choir	<b>3</b> <b>6:30 AM</b> Well Women @ Valhalla's <b>6:00 PM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>6:30 PM</b> Freedom Fellowship	<b>4</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Fiddler on the Roof Rehearsal <b>10:00 AM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>10:00 AM</b> Singing at the Delta Home <b>4:00 PM</b> Lahu Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous

## YOUth Connect

This month I am dedicating my article to one of the most exciting things our church has been a part of in its 50 year existence. We have an amazing team that will be spending two weeks working in Kenya, Africa. Our team has been working hard planning, fundraising, and praying for our outreach. The dynamics of this team are so amazing. It is made up of everything from a retired nurse to a college student, and even a youth minister. There are so many gifts that will be utilized in several unique ways. The team is made up of Dorothy Collins, Becky Dotta, Stephen Dotta, Donna Schauland, Sue Goldenstein, and little ol' me. Traveling along with us will be Lynda McGee and Janet Brandon of Sequoia Ministries, Intl. We were saddened by a shoulder injury to Donna Rix that will not allow her to go, but she will continue to be a team member with us in prayer. As well, David Brandon has been given an excellent career opportunity and has already started work, but know he will be with us in spirit as well.

While there we will be doing a variety of different things such as teaching Bible lessons, giving personal hygiene clinics, giving sports clinics, and even doing some street evangelism. We will begin our journey in Nairobi which is one of the largest cities in Africa, doing some training and learning the customs. Then we will be traveling, which in and of itself in Africa is a big deal, to Faith Home which is a group home for about 12 kids. Then we get the chance to travel to Daylight School and will get to meet the cows and see the shed that YOU have given towards. I promise we will take pictures, and I will ask if we can name the cow. Feel free to give me some suggestions. We will be gone from July 2 through July 19.

There are a couple of huge ways that you can be part of this outreach. First and foremost please pray for us as we go. This is in no way a vacation for any of us. While I am sure we will enjoy ourselves, this will be work! Pray for team unity, safety, and that we would be effective in aiding the ministry that will be happening. Second, there are team members who still need financial support to go. The cost of this outreach is \$4000 each and we are relying on people to partner with us financially in order for us to be able to go. If you would like to help in this way please contact me.

We are all excited about this opportunity to go and report back to you what God has been up to on the other side of the globe.

Peace be the Journey, David

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vid can be reached via email at [david@clcvisalia.org](mailto:david@clcvisalia.org)

### Senior Recognition Sunday is June 12!



Parents, family and friends of CLC Senior High School and College students! Please let David know if your student (or a student you know) is graduating. We will recognize our graduating seniors at the 11 am worship service on Sunday, June 12. This will also be scholarship Sunday. CLC Scholarship applications are available in the church office. The due date for scholarship applications is May 22.

### GIVING REPORT — March

	Monthly		Year To Date		Net Difference
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
Income for Church Operations	\$79,661	\$63,446	\$233,083	\$201,390	(\$31,694)
<b>Designated Giving for March \$24,917</b>			<b>Designated Giving for the Year To Date: \$66,035</b>		
50th Anniversary Campaign Contributions received as of April 10, 2011 = \$32,918					
<b>ChristKids Preschool Scholarships</b>			<b>Africa Mission</b>		<b>Children's Minister</b>
\$13,252			\$8,561		\$11,105

# HOME COMING WEEKEND!

Come one and all to our special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming Weekend, May 14-15.

On Saturday, May 14, beginning at 4:00, all are welcome to attend a good old-fashioned carnival and picnic. The event will be on the north lawn of the church. Along with carnival games and barbeque you will be treated to wonderful music from a local Mariachi band and renown Baloney Creek! Don't miss the event of the year!

On Sunday, May 15, all three worship services will feature past (and present) pastoral leaders of CLC. Each worship will offer a blend of new with old as we celebrate 50 years of ministry, and look forward to at least 50 years more. Pastor Paul Thomton (CLC's pastor from 1979 to 1990) will be the guest preacher. Come and visit with current and former members! Between services, pick up your free copy of the 50-year history of Christ Lutheran Church, written by Terry Ommen.

## Visiting the Visitor Ministry

Whenever a first time visitor to Christ Lutheran Church signs the red folder with the needed information, our CLC "Visiting Team" visits them within a day or two to thank them for worshiping with us. Team members led by Rita Crandall along with Vickie Smith, Erlene Benevento, Les White, and John & Bev Bookwalter take cookies and information about CLC to these visitors. Many wonderful "Bakers" in the congregation supply the cookies for these visits and are a much appreciated component of the ministry.

You, too, can assist in this ministry. Whenever you sign the red folder at worship, if you will write your address and check the correct boxes, it serves as a good model and visitors are more apt to provide their own information, when you have written yours as well. Thanks for your assistance in doing so, and many thanks to the "Bakers" and the "Visiting Team" for welcoming our visitors and inviting them to return to worship with us again. Thanks be to God for these dedicated servants!



## Women in Retreat at Three Rivers, September 23-25, 2011

*"Recipe for Faithful Living"*

Pastor Cindy Beck

Bring your favorite recipe to share and see what she has planned.

Scripture: Ephesians 5:1-2

The cost for this weekend is \$185.00 and a deposit of \$85.00 needs to accompany the registration form, and should be received by July 15, 2011. Registration forms and more information are available on the board in the foyer. Call Judi Pirnstill at 559-280-7076 if you have any questions.

## Swedish Pancake Breakfast on May 21

The annual Swedish Pancake Breakfast is being held on Saturday, May 21 at 8:30 am at the home of Carolyn Johnson, 719 S. Central. A sign up sheet is on the board in the foyer, and don't forget to take a parking permit. All women and guests are welcome. Don't miss this annual event with great food, and great fellowship!

## SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASSES

**"The 8:08 Study"** 8:08 am Conference Room

This hour-long class will be studying Gospel texts that challenge us to grow in our practice of following Jesus (5/1 - Being an instrument of Prayer, 5/8 - Being an Instrument of Serenity, 5/22 - Being an Instrument of Courage, 5/29 - Being an Instrument of Change).

Class will not be held on May 15, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend of Christ Lutheran Church.

**"Adult Bible Study and Discussion"** 9:30 am Conference Room

This hour-long class, led by Bob Ringe, is studying Gospel texts that challenge us to grow in our practice of following Jesus (5/1 - Being an instrument of Prayer, 5/8 - Being an Instrument of Serenity, 5/22 - Being an Instrument of Courage, 5/29 - Being an Instrument of Change).

Class will not be held on May 15, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend of Christ Lutheran Church.

**"The Gospel of John"** 9:30 am Christian Life Center

This A.B.F. (Adult Bible Fellowship) class has been meeting since January and will hold the concluding session on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Dorothy Collins has been leading this in-depth study, and participants take turns bringing goodies for the opening fellowship time.

**"The Holy Spirit"** 9:30 am Christian Life Center

Leaders Patti Dudley and John Hubbard will base this three-session Bible study on the Henry & Mel Blackaby book, *What's So Spiritual About Your Gifts?* This book is not an exhaustive study on the Holy Spirit, but it will reorient your thinking to biblical teaching on the Spirit's role in your life, clarify the confusion between natural talents and spiritual gifts, and help you get in step with God's purpose.

Each 1½-hour session is part of our A.B.F. (Adult Bible Fellowship) series; fellowship, caring, and learning all go hand-in-hand to enrich individual growth and large-group community-building. This weekly class begins May 8 but does not meet on May 15, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend of Christ Lutheran Church.

## WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY CLASSES

**"The Five Love Languages"** 5:30 pm upstairs in the CCC 5/6 room.

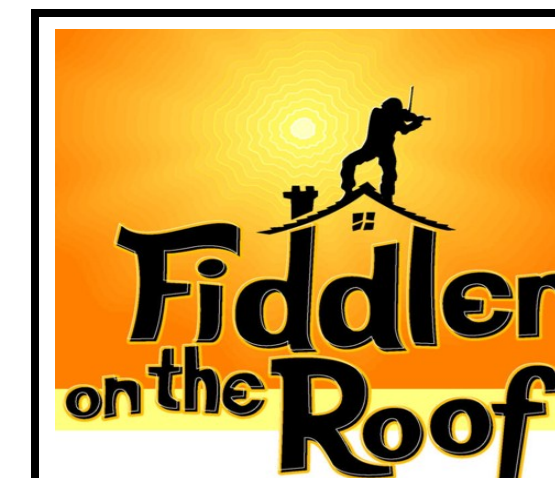
This will be a one-hour book study of the Gary Chapman book of the same title.

Nursery care is available for children 5 and under. Class begins April 27 and meets weekly through June 1.

**"Discovering Jesus"** 6:30 pm Christian Life Center

What better way to enter the season of Easter than a discovery (re-discovery?) of who Jesus was and is. Beginning May 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be four main themes presented that are critical to grasp in our understanding of why Jesus made such an impact 2,000 years ago, and why he is significant for us today.

Pastor Malison will lead this class, which will be helpful for both novice and advanced learners. Bring your Bible!



## COMING IN JUNE!

Show Times: Thursday, June 23 at 7 pm

Friday, June 24 at 7 pm

Saturday, June 25 at 2 pm AND 7 pm

Sunday, June 26 at 2 pm

Ticket prices: General Admission-\$20.00

Seniors-\$15.00

Students and Children under 12-\$10.00

*All performances will be at the fabulous COS Theater!*