



# Parish Visitor

Bringing the good news of **Christ Lutheran Church** into your home!

## October 2010

What a unique opportunity! On October 10, 2010, (10/10/10) at 10:10 am there will be one service, outdoors, in Luther Plaza. Chairs and pop-up canopies will be set up; those wishing to bring their own lawn chairs are welcome to do so. The service will be an expression of our thanks to God for the things that He has been to and through Christ Lutheran Church this past year.

Everyone will want to be there. After worship there will be a free pizza lunch.

Needed:

1. People to serve on the set up team
2. Pop-up canopies
3. Cookie makers

*Please call the church office if you can help with*



## Children's Harvest Festival

Come one, come all!

# October 31, 4-6 pm

Games, Candy, Fun and

# FREE!

## Spiritual Gifts Class

Choose the date and time that works for you!

**Sunday October 17, 9:05-9:45 am, OR**

**Sunday October 17, 10:35-11:15 am, OR**

**Wednesday, October 20, 6:00—6:45 pm.**

God has given all His people gifts to help grow His kingdom through serving. Come and learn what YOUR gifts are!



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# Pastor Malison's News for the Pews

## *The Foundation*

Ever since Christianity began there has been a foundation established of worship and education. Jesus said, "Abide in me as I will abide in you (John 15:4)." To abide means to worship God and learn from God. The book of Acts describes that the early church "devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching (Acts 2:42)," and "spent much time together in the temple (Acts 2:46)." Worship and education; praise and growth; adoration and learning – these two non-negotiables in the Christian faith are two sides of the same coin.

## *The Challenge*

People are busy. Worship, for many, becomes something they "fit in." There seems to be too many demands on people's schedules. Worship (a non-negotiable for Christians, remember?) loses its priority. And then there's education. Education is considered a luxury for many (another non-negotiable for Christians, remember?). I have had people tell me, "Pastor, I can maybe spare an hour for worship a week, but that's about it." We live in challenging times.

## *The Upside*

The Church exists to provide help for people to worship and be engaged in learning. For that reason we have worship every Sunday, 52 weeks of the year, and special worship on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Easter (not to mention Advent and Lent). The door is always open on Sunday and worship will always happen.

But we also provide multiple education events. Coming in October Ann Aakre has planned

great Sunday morning learning events. One of these events is called "Adult Bible Fellowship." Bob Ringe also has a study happening in the CCC conference room. In addition, Ann has lined up some great Wednesday evenings classes. These are some great places to get together with others to grow and learn.

The goal is for everyone to think of their weekly investment in time as a two hour commitment; one hour for worship and one hour for learning. The worship and learning can go hand in hand on Sunday for some, or one hour on Sunday and one hour at another time during the week for others. There is no right or wrong way; just do it.

## *The Downside*

Due to the limitation on leadership we are not currently offering any adult education event on Sunday other than the 9:30 hour. That means that those who love the 9:30 worship service will either need to plan on worshipping at 8:00 or 11:00, or find another time during the week for a study or small group.

## *The Effect*

There is no way to be a vibrant faith community without all of our members committed to weekly worship and weekly learning. I have every expectation that as our folks are regularly praising God for all of God's goodness, and they are reading the Bible and learning insights into the faith, we will be more like that church described in Acts, the kind of church that God had in mind.

And I can hardly wait.

*Pastor Brian Malison*

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

## **CLC Staff**

### **Brian K. Malison**

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Youth Minister

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Director of Spiritual Formation

### **Ann Aakre**

Director of Discipleship Ministries

### **Mike Johnson**

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### **Patty Endres**

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Executive Secretary

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Director of Multi Media

### **Dennis McGuire**

Facility Coordinator

### **Marti Fleming**

Nursery Coordinator

### **Ron Hoffman**

Parish Counselor

## Campus Updates

*Dennis McGuire is providing this month's campus update. Please let myself or Dennis know if you have any questions. [Mike Johnson-Mike@clcvisalia.org](mailto:Mike Johnson-Mike@clcvisalia.org).*

Thank you to everyone for the extra effort in maintaining a safe and clean campus by following our established procedures for setup and cleanup. Many hands make light work, and we can continue to keep our beautiful campus available to many groups and individuals by doing our part. Remember to communicate your needs in advance to Patty Endres, and I'll do my absolute best to assist your efforts!

Additionally our Nursery can use your help. We have many items that have simply worn out or been broken that we'd like to replace. If you have any of the following items please contact me for pickup. Thanks for your help!

1. One 13 to 17 inch TV with a VHS player.
2. One DVD player.
3. One gently used rocking chair.

If you would like to sign up to volunteer in the nursery, or to supply some of the snacks from time to time, please contact Marti Fleming, our Nursery Coordinator, at [marti@clcvisalia.org](mailto:marti@clcvisalia.org).

*Dennis McGuire*

**Parish Visitor Deadline:** Articles for the Parish Visitor should be submitted by the third Tuesday of each month.

# YOUTH Connect

Well, we are in full swing with our Sunday morning education. There are some exciting things happening, and we want everyone to be involved. We have gotten a Wii in "the House" which is getting quite a bit of good solid use; we now have a pool table, a bumper pool table, and lots of comfy couches. Come check us out at 9:30 on Sunday mornings

Here are a few things coming up that you should be aware of:

Jr. High/Sr. High CORE groups meet on Wednesday evenings at 5:30-6:30 at "the House"

Second Saturday Serve – our new once a month service project starts October 9 at 10 am – meet at "the House"

Jr. High Bowling night October 29 at 6 pm-meet at Visalia Lanes – Cost \$10 includes popcorn and soda

Annual Harvest Festival – October 31, 4-6 pm at the church

Check the online calendar for more information. If you don't have access to the calendar and would like it, please email me at [david@clcvisalia.org](mailto:david@clcvisalia.org).

Here is some useless info for you, because people have missed it:

- **Useless fact of the month:** The average human eats 8 spiders in their lifetime at night
- **Unfunny joke of the month:**  
A guy walks into Dunkin' Donuts.  
He says, "Excuse me, miss. How many cups of coffee do you think this thermos will hold?"  
She says, "I think it's a seven-cup thermos."  
He says, "All right...give me three black, and four with cream and sugar."

See you next month!

Peace, David

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

## CALLING all Thrivent Members!

Please check to see if you have been allotted Thrivent **Choice Dollars** to distribute to your favorite Lutheran entities. You would have received a letter in the mail or you would see the information posted when you access your online Thrivent account. If you do have **Choice Dollars** to allocate, it is soooooo easy to send Thrivent's money (none of your own money is needed) directly to places such as Christ Lutheran Church; ChristKids; Mt. Cross Ministries; Cal Lutheran or many others ~ and they all need monetary support in our current economy. The dollars **MUST** be directed by you, so if you have questions or need help with the process please call your Congregational Advocate, Rita Crandall at 732-7777.

### African Relief Team Thanks you!

Due to the generous response of this congregation, \$4,184.00 was raise to buy Anti-Malaria nets! We are confident that God will use this gift to help improve the health of some of His children in Africa.

Think Christmas, and save these dates!

**When:** November 13 and 14

**What:** Lutheran World Relief Trade Fair

**Where:** Community Connections Center

**Why:** With each purchase, you enable artisans to earn income for their work and build a better life for themselves and their families.



## GIVING — August

	Monthly		Year To Date		Net Difference
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
Income for Church Operations	76,123	75,106	609,916	544,582	(\$65,334)
<b>Designated Giving for August \$33,941:</b>			<b>Designated Giving for the Year To Date: \$328,419</b>		
<b>Special Gift Giving Totals</b>					
<i>African Relief Team, Anti-Malaria Nets \$4,184</i>					
<i>CLC Shoe Challenge (donate \$1.00 for every pair of shoes you own) total of \$2,452 was divided between Tulare County Foster Parents \$1,226, Battered Women Shelter, 1,226.</i>					

## SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO KENYA

Is God calling you to go on a 2-week summer mission trip to Kenya? CLC has a partnership with Sequoia Ministries which is involved in a number of places in Kenya. Next summer, most likely after school is out in June, we are hoping to send a delegation of people over to Kenya to both see first hand what God is doing, and to participate in ministry events that are making huge differences in lives.

Are you one of those that God is inviting to go?

The first step in this process is to pray. Seek God's direction. Talk about it with people of wisdom and counsel. The trip will require a personal investment (in terms of cost, time away, and preparation), but will result in a life-changing experience.

On Sunday, November 7, there will be an informational luncheon for all who are wanting more information. Lynda McGee of Sequoia Ministries, and Pastor Malison, will unfold the possibilities and requirements of this trip. **Please call the church office to let us know you will attend this free lunch.**

As you prayerfully consider this invitation please know that the trip will be strenuous. Good health and the ability to walk distances is a must.

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## Sunday Morning Education

### ABF – Adult Bible Fellowship

October 17 through December 12 -9:30 – 10:30 am.

In the CLC Fireside Room

“Seven Big Questions”

Meet new people

Study God's Word On Your Own Level

Grow Spiritually

Get Connected

Bring a Friend to ABF

Parents are encouraged to place their littlest ones in our caring nursery and older children in Sunday School classes and join us for ABF! Refreshments will be served every Sunday morning.



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### Adult Bible Study and Discussion

This weekly class focuses on the weekly Gospel lesson. Worship sermons are often based on the same text, thus giving a person a better understanding of both the text and the sermon. There will be plenty of opportunities to participate in group discussion. Materials will be handed out weekly free of charge. Participants should bring a Bible. Class will meet for one hour in the Conference Room, beginning at 9:30, with Bob Ringe as the leader.

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### Wednesday Evenings

“The Lutheran Course” led by Joe Eiben, meets each week on the dates listed below from 5:30 until 6:30 pm in the CLC Fireside Room. This is a video-based study touching upon several Lutheran teachings:

How to Tell the Difference Between the Law and the Gospel	9/22
Five Things You Should Know about the Lutheran Reformation	9/29
The Anatomy of a Baptism	10/6
How to Receive Communion	10/13
The Three Most Rebellious Things Jesus Did	10/20
How to Read the Bible	10/27
How to Share Your Faith with Someone	11/3

This course is great for new Lutherans, old Lutherans, and anyone in between! Each session features a large-group DVD presentation showing various top-notch theologians discussing the topics. The small-group discussion follows, and humor is woven throughout the session to keep us from getting too “stuffy”!



## DISASTER RESPONSE

# MINISTRY FROM YOU THROUGH THE ELCA TO OTHERS

### When Disaster Strikes, YOU Are There

Torrential rains and flooding in Pakistan. The explosion of the Deepwater Horizon oil platform and massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Severe storms, tornadoes and flooding in the United States. Devastating earthquakes in China and Haiti. Tremendous earthquakes and a tsunami in Chile. Since the beginning of this year, these six major disasters - and numerous smaller events - have affected the lives of millions of people around the world.

**YOU** help to bring God's comfort, healing and renewal to those affected by disasters. Thanks to your mission support dollars, given to your congregation and then shared with the Sierra Pacific Synod and the whole church, ELCA Disaster Response is able to respond with great speed. Funds are provided to ministry partners in the affected areas to provide basic needs: food, shelter, water, sanitation, communication and transportation, emergency health assistance and mobile health care, emotional and spiritual care.

And when the dust settles and the headlines change, **YOU** - through ELCA Disaster Response and partner ministries - **stay** to provide ongoing assistance to those in need. Houses and communities are rebuilt. Health needs are met. Clean water supplies are developed. Emotional and spiritual care continues to be provided.

Thank you!

## JONAH WORSHIP SERIES CULMINATION - AN ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE

As our congregation joins five others in the October worship series, "Jonah: Voyage into the Mercy of God," there will be a combined worship service for all churches on Sunday evening, October 24, at 6:00 at the 210 Center. This worship service will be a one hour opportunity to offer praise to our God of infinite mercy, and to hear the stories of what this mercy has meant to others. Let's have a Lutheran presence in this gathering!

The offering for this worship service will be items that is requested by the Care Pregnancy Center in their ministry of mercy to young women who are expecting a child. In addition to cash gifts, the Center is asking for NEW infant car seats, bassinets, cribs, high chairs, swings, playpens, baby toys, strollers, changing tables, diapers, blankets, formula, and other items that will help these young mothers. Items can be brought to the October 24 service.

### October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

We all know of a friend or family member with breast cancer. It is one of the most common types of cancer in women. It is the Second leading cause of cancer death in women, with lung cancer at number one. Breast cancer is much less common in men, but can occur in men.

It is recommended that women do a monthly self-breast exams, have annual breast exams by a health car provider and a mammogram beginning at age 40. Risk factors include being female, age (the risk increases as women grow older) a personal history of cancer or family history of cancer, and carrying the breast cancer genes, among others.

So, take care of yourself, and encourage others to do the same!

God Bless, *Jennifer Davis*, N. P.

### Dry Feet, Warm Hearts

We will be collecting packages of new socks for men and women during the month of October. Please bring your donations of NEW socks and place them in the bin in the sanctuary foyer. The donations will be distributed to those in need in Tulare County.



## PrimeTimers Restaurant Lunch and Museum Tour

Sunday, October 17, 2010

11:30 am at Black Bear Restaurant, 1161 E Tulare Ave, Tulare

1-3 pm at Tulare Historical Museum, 444 W Tulare Ave, Tulare

Carpool from Church (if needed) at 11 am AND carpool back to church (if needed). Black Bear Menu: \$5.00 -\$12.00 choices. Museum Admission is free on this date. Sign up in foyer, and indicate if you need a ride or have room for others.

# October — Calendar of Events

26 Worship @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am 9:00 AM Mission Cafe 9:30 AM Sunday Education for All 12:15 PM New Member Class 1:00 PM Lahu Worship 6:00 PM 7-8th Grade Confirmation	27 9:30 AM Old Men Coffee @ Burger King-Demaree 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	28 9:15 AM Staff Prayer 5:30 PM ChristKids Preschool Board Meeting 6:30 PM Financial Peace University 7:00 PM AA 7:00 PM Al Anon	29 11:40 AM Preschool Chapel 12:30 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Adult Education 5:30 PM Praise Adventures 5:30 PM Youth CORE Events 6:30 PM Praise Team	30 9:00 AM POPS 4:20 PM Narcotics Anonymous 5:45 PM Handbells 6:00 PM Christian Meditation 6:30 PM Worship Choir 8:00 PM RELATE @ "The House"	1 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM Well Women @ Valhalla's 6:30 PM Freedom Fellowship	2 J. Howard Wedding offsite 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous
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**We need candy...and lots of it!**

Candy donations are needed for the Children's Harvest Festival on October 31! Please bring your donations to the church office during regular business hours.



## CHANGES IN THE PREACHING TEAM

CLC is committed to continuing the preaching team approach to Sunday morning messages that carried us through the summer in Pastor Malison's absence. Though Pastor Malison will continue to carry the bulk of the preaching responsibilities, others will fill in from time to time. One member of the team, however, has needed to step aside. Patrick Lozano has received the request to pastor New Hope Church. Thank you, Patrick, for your leadership at CLC.

## CONFERENCE GATHERING

### OCTOBER 16

On Saturday, October 16, there will be a very interesting ELCA conference gathering at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Merced from 10 am to 3 pm. Pastor Mark Alan Powell, professor at Trinity Seminary in Columbus, Ohio will be speaking on "Money...for Jesus' Sake: A Conversation About Stewardship." The cost will be \$20 which includes lunch. Carpool from CLC at 8:30 am. Please call the church office if you wish to attend..

## Harvest Festival Serving Opportunity!

Are you interested in serving the children of our church and the surrounding area? We have many opportunities for you to do just that! Opportunities such as Trunk or Treat, Set-Up, Publicity, Games, Clean Up Baking and more. Please sign-up on the board in the foyer. An hour of your time will make a big difference!

Also, we are looking to have some new games and activities this year. If you are able to provide or create a new game, please contact Ann Aakre.

## Your help is needed....

The Manna Ministry team has noticed that quite a few of the beige table cloths used for funeral luncheons are missing. If you have used them and not returned them onto the hangers in the CLC storage room, please do so ASAP so that the team will be ready when the need arises. Thanks!!

### Save the Date!

### 7th Annual Men's Retreat @ SCICON

### March 4-6, 2011

### Sponsored by Brothers for Others

# ChristKids News



## Fall Fun

We love fall! We've had a great month making new friends and learning school routines.

September themes included *Apples, Colors, Fun at the Fair* and *Woods Animals*.

## Chapel

Come join us for chapel at 11:40am. October chapel dates are October 7, 13, 21, and 27.

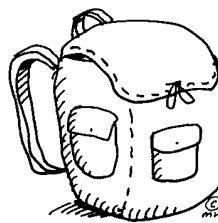
## POPS

Parents of Preschoolers will meet Thursday mornings from 9-10am starting September 30 through November 4. Classes will meet upstairs in the CCC. Childcare is available with registration. This is a small group study that offers support, encouragement and information to parents of preschool age children. Call Barbara @ 732-7476 to register or for more information.

*Calm your spirit and center on God's love for all people. Be at peace with each other. Mark 9:50*

With Joy, Barbara

Email: [ChristKidspreschoo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ChristKidspreschoo@sbcglobal.net)



## Goshen School Update

Thank you CLC members for donating 55 filled backpacks PLUS lots of other school supplies!! Your generosity has helped to prepare Goshen students as they focus on a new school year. Brothers for Others are continuing to support the school, as well, by providing bicycles each month so that students with perfect attendance for the month can be entered into a drawing for them. And special thanks go to Brian & Marsha Proctor and the Lindquist family who continue to provide a monthly pizza party for the best monthly attendance for a primary class and for an upper grade class. Way to go.... with these two projects the attendance has gone way up! Thanks so much... and we ask that the entire congregation uphold the families of Goshen and especially the students in their prayers. What a blessing CLC has been to this community!!

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

## “Jonah: Voyage Into The Mercy of God”

For the past couple of years CLC has participated in a worship series with other churches in town. This year our interchurch worship series focuses on the popular Old Testament story of Jonah. In this story we will hear afresh the good news of God's mercy, and be a part of an ecumenical event that will strengthen the Church of Jesus Christ in Visalia. The churches participating in this series are: First Christian Reformed, Visalia Disciples of Christ, First Presbyterian Church, Savior's Community, Sierra Baptist Church, and Christ Lutheran Church. Bring a friend to worship and discover the greatness of our merciful God!

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

DATE	THEME	BIBLE TEXT
October 3	Drowning in Denial	Jonah 1
October 10	Preserved By Grace <i>Special: One worship service at 10:10 am in the courtyard, Lunch to follow!</i>	Jonah 2: Luke 19:1-10
October 17	Swamped With Mercy <i>Special Guest Preacher: Rev. Joel Renkema from First Christian Reformed</i>	Jonah 3
October 24	Flooded in Love	Jonah 4
October 31	Being a Church of Mercy <i>Special: Reformation Sunday</i>	John 8:31-36

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