



## MISSION STATEMENT

**Called by God to  
Worship, Learn and  
Nurture; Sent to  
Serve and Tell**

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

**Jesus is Lord and  
Savior. We are called  
to learn and share  
the Good News.  
Welcome and serve  
all people. We are  
servants of God to  
others. Holy Spirit,  
mighty in prayer  
leads us to answer  
God's call. Fellowship  
sustains each other.**



August is a time when harvest is in full swing throughout our state and especially in our valley. It is a time when we are grateful for the farmers and the people who harvest the yummy treats that we so enjoy. It is a time when the summer sun beckons us to find places to relax and stay cool. We see God's miracles popping up everywhere. Our spirits are flourishing as we enjoy moments of peace and joy, confirming that we are on the path God has laid out for us.

But as I write these words, I can't help but think of the grief and pain many in our congregation have felt this past year. Pastor Chris and his family have lost not only a sister/aunt but now a father/grandfather. The Larson's have lost an aunt, the Murphy's a sister, Ethel a husband. Some of us have lost freedom of motion, a change in our living situation, or a cancer diagnosis that rocks our reality.

All of us have been in a place where we feel like we're lost in the desert, desperately looking for shade, rest, and water. We'd cry but there is nothing left inside to produce tears. We know that we should pray, pouring out our sorrows to the Lord who heals but have nothing left to say. Our spirits become a dry husk, on the brink of shriveling and blowing away in the hot desert wind.

Isaiah 58:11 says *"The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail."*

Maybe you feel like this is merely a mirage meant to torment you instead of a promised cup of cool water. This passage reminds us to focus on the promise that God makes to us. Think about the desert cactus. They flourish and bloom in the heat of the dry desert because they are 90% water. They store up the moisture to be used for the dry season. **BE A CACTUS!** Immerse yourselves daily in God's Word and His presence, storing up that hydration for the dry season. Allow God to rehydrate and soften your crackling-dry spirit and His loving care *will* carry you through whatever desert you are facing. Fall back on God's promise that He *will* guide you always, *will* satisfy your needs, and *will* strengthen your frame. You will **FLOURISH!**

*Blessings,*

*Deacon Kathy*



# AUGUST CELEBRATIONS



## *Birthdays*

<i>1st</i>	<i>Finn Bond</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>Rita Fisher</i>
<i>14th</i>	<i>Ethel Rasmussen</i>
<i>16th</i>	<i>Patsy Lake</i>
	<i>Laurie Wilson</i>
<i>29th</i>	<i>Joyce Stephens</i>

## *Anniversaries*

*17th*      *Kyle & Tammy Bosch*

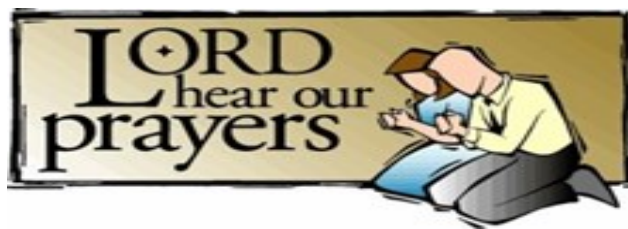


## **August Scripture Readings:**

Aug 3rd	Eccles 1:2,12-14; 2:18-23	Psalm 49:1-22	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 12:13-24
Aug 10	Genesis 15:1-6	Psalm 33:12-22	Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16	Luke 12:32-40
Aug 17th	Jeremiah 23:23-29	Psalm 82	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	Luke 12:49-56
Aug 24th	Isaiah 58:9b-14	Psalm 103:1-8	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17
Aug 31st	Proverbs 25:6-7	Psalm 112	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Luke 14:1, 7-14



## *In Our Hearts and Minds...*



### Continuing Prayer Concerns

*(Please keep these people and their concerns in your prayers)*

McKayla Karn	Richardo	Liam Peterson	Ben Van Corbach
Marah	Jane Peterson	Shirley Taylor	Carol Murphy
Victoria Hall	Brian Hatheway	Lloyd Crabtree	Steve Eling
Lee Gap	Bryon Van Arsdale	Del	Jenny Frank
Michael Gerrett	Matt & Alina Sauer	Lilly	Sandy Peterson

The friends and families of Ray Peterson, Arlene Larson, Stella, Jim Wright, and Florence Koestler.

Rev. Ray Peterson passed peacefully on the evening of Monday, July 28, 2025. His wife, Sandy, and Pastor Chris were at his side.

*(The people listed here have been on our prayer list for the past two months. If your loved one is no longer on the list and needs our continued prayers, please let Deacon Kathy know.)*

### Serving Our Country

David Carlson  
Luke Harper  
Chris Wendt - National Guard  
Hannah & Nick Brown—USAF  
Ian Dunbar—USMC



### *Ladies Lunch Out*



*August 21st*

*11:45*

*Tailgaters*

*110 E 3rd Ave, Selah*

### **Guy's Night Out**

**August 21st**

**Abby's Pizza**

**4808 Tieton Drive**







Christ Lutheran Church welcomes all on August 5th  
56th & Lincoln Avenue West 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Food, games, crafts and fun for the whole family!  
Be our guests! It's all free!



Activities sponsored by Home Depot, V J Jumpers. Face Art Magic face painting.  
Other sponsors include Coca Cola Bottling of Yakima and Yakima Ice Company



God's Work. Our Hands" is Sunday, September 7th. Our project this year is to gather school supplies for Lutheran World Relief.

70-sheet notebooks wide or college-ruled



Ruler with both inches and centimeters



Pencil sharpener



Safety Scissors



Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers



Black or Blue Ballpoint pens (no gel ink)



Box of either 16 or 24 crayons



2-1/2" eraser



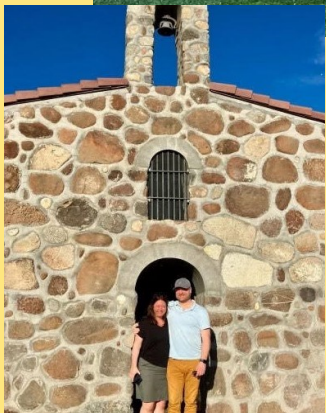
14"x17" drawstring backpack style cloth bag



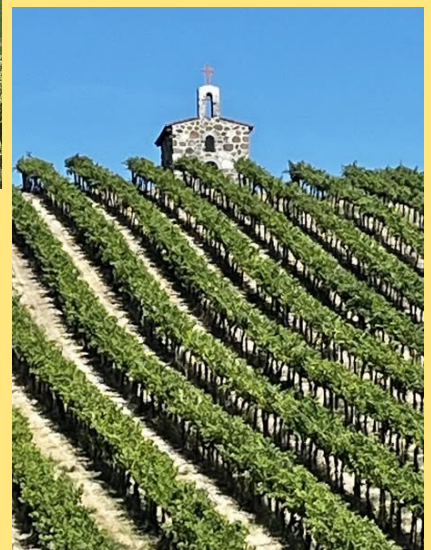
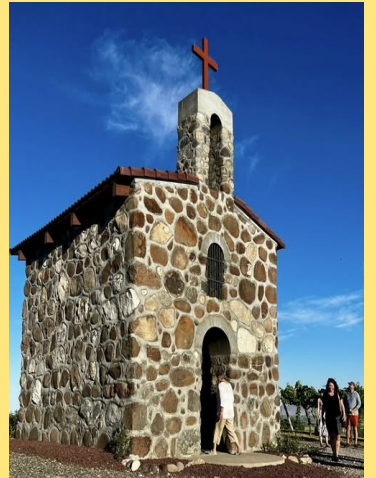




Fun in the July  
Sun!



Baseball &  
Dinner in the  
Beauty of the  
Yakima Valley





## COMING TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SOON

- 3rd- Christian Outreach Mtg. 11:00,  
Faith, Fitness, Fellowship 2:00
- 5<sup>th</sup> – National Night Out Party, 6:00-8:00
- 10<sup>th</sup>- Council Meeting, 11:00
- 11<sup>th</sup>- Red Cross Blood Drive 12:30-5:30  
Camp Hope Meal, 5:45
- 17<sup>th</sup>- Faith, Fitness, & Fellowship, 2:00
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Worship & Music Mtg, Noon
- 21<sup>st</sup> - Ladies Lunch, 11:45—Tailgaters, 110 E 3rd Ave, Selah  
Men's Pizza Night, 6:00
- 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> -Yakima Valley Quilt Guild Trunk Sale Set Up & Sale 8:00-2:00
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Lunch with the Pear Place Vets, Noon
- 31<sup>st</sup> - Christian Outreach Mtg, 11:00



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- 14<sup>th</sup>– Council Meeting, 11:00
- 16<sup>th</sup>– Worship & Music Mtg, 12:00
- 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>-YVQG Sewing Class 8:00-4:30
- 18<sup>th</sup>– Ladies Lunch, 11:45  
Men's Pizza Night, 6:00
- 28<sup>th</sup>– Christian Outreach Meeting, 11:00



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- 11<sup>th</sup>- Craft Fair, 9:00-2:00
- 19<sup>th</sup>- Family Fun Night, 4:00-5:30
- 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> –2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Congregational Retreat, Camp Ghormley



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All dates and times are subject to change!