

JUNE 2015

CHURCH NEWS



When I was first learning to drive a stick shift, let's just say it wasn't a pretty thing. It was my friend Steve who actually taught me how to drive the stick shift. I remember like it was

yesterday. We were in my suburban neighborhood and since it was pretty quiet, we decided to drive around the block a few times. I remember being very excited! So as we started out, Steve would say "Ok, give it a little gas as you slowly let the clutch out." This usually resulted in the truck LURCHING forward and then stalling. After a little practice, I was able to make the truck go forward, except it wasn't very smooth. It was TERRIBLE!



The truck was lurching and jumping... our heads were whipping back and forth as we slowly made our way down the small neighborhood road. Neighbors would come out of the house to watch this nightmarish spectacle taking place. Some would laugh... some would get angry and (God bless them) some would sympathize with my struggles as I became more proficient with this new endeavor. That first go was a very difficult beginning. We rounded the block and bumped and lurched our way back to my driveway. When we stopped, Steve said "Well, I have some bumps and bruises as well as a slight case of whiplash, but all in all we made it. You'll do better next time." And that was how it began. Amidst my failings, I was given a word of hope.

St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians did just the same thing. They were concerned that they were not being good enough and that they were failing as servants. St. Paul reminds them "**Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? —unless indeed you fail to meet the test! ⁶ I hope you will find out that we have not failed the test. ⁷ But we pray to God that you may not do wrong—not that we may appear to have met the test, but that you may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed.**" Their failure only came from a lack of faith or that Jesus Christ was not "in" them. Success came from doing "what is right".

Since my installation, there have been days where I have felt like I was driving my friend's truck. I have days that are jerky and they sputter... I feel like I am not doing anything right. It is then that one of God's people here is quick to give me a good word of encouragement. It's at that time I realize that Christ is indeed with me and with the people of Christ Lutheran. Christ is indeed in and with His visible Church here in Coos Bay. He indeed is faithful and just for all of those whom He has rescued with His Water and His Word. It is then that I can better understand the Apostle's words when He says "[on account of Christ we] **may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed.**" The Church and School are a blessing and a challenge. As we meet the challenges ahead of us, I know we will do it with prayer and the hope of Jesus Christ who is the true Lord of the Church! God bless you all and see you in Church!

In His service and in yours,

Pastor Hoffmann

MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY
AND PEACE IN BELIEVING, SO THAT BY THE
POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT YOU MAY ABOUND
IN HOPE. ~ROMANS 15:13





LWML-----Ladies Luncheon...Thursday, July 16, 12 noon at Lakeshore Lodge in Lakeside. Ladies from Resurrection, Florence; Beautiful Savior, Reedsport; and Christ, Coos Bay are invited to gather for lunch, fellowship and devotions. Hope you'll save the date!

**COMING! COMING! COMING!
Vacation Bible School-----August 10-14!**

CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

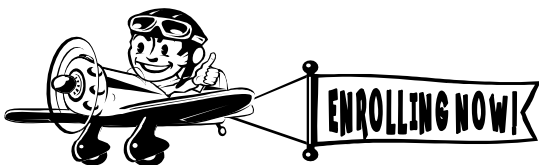


Our "Mission Spotlight" for May and June is the Pregnancy Resource Center. The following paragraph gives you a picture of what the center does for our community.

For several years the Pregnancy Resource Center has been providing women in Coos County with alternatives to abortion as they face some of the toughest and most impacting decisions of their lives. With its loving approach and foundation of faith, the Center provides medical services, counseling, help and emotional support to the men and women of Coos County as they embark on the wonderful journey of receiving the gift of life they have been entrusted with!

Thank you for all of your support with our various projects. You help us to make a difference in our community and even world-wide!

The 2015-16 school year is right around the corner!



We are currently accepting enrollment applications for the 2015-16 school year. Some of our classes do fill up quickly, so don't wait to turn in your forms and registration fees.

Remember, if you are planning on applying for any financial aid for the 2015-16 school year, you need to fill out a new request every year.

RECRUITMENT BONUS



WE'RE READY TO MAKE A DEAL!!

A Recruitment Bonus of \$100 off the first month's tuition during the 2015-16 school year to any school families that persuade a new student to enroll and attend Christ Lutheran School during the 2015-16 school term!!



Christ Lutheran Parent Teacher League (PTL) PTL meetings have concluded for the current school year. Thank you to all for a very successful year of fundraising! We couldn't do what we do without you!!

Have a great summer and we will see you in the fall!!



Important dates in June are:

- June 2-3 4-6th Grade Field Trip
- June 4 Preschool Field Trip to Mahaffy Dairy
- June 4 PreK Field Trip to South Slough Estuary
- June 4 3:45pm Staff Meeting
- June 5 Kindergarten, 4-6th Grade Beach Bash
- June 8 Field Day at Ferry Road Park
- June 9 Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Field Trip to Game Park in Bandon
- June 9 6:30pm Preschool Awards Program (Mrs. Slater's Class)
- June 10 6:30pm PreK Awards Program (Mrs. Miller & Bourell's Class)
- June 11 Last Day of School
- June 11 6:30pm Kindergarten Graduation

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	5pm Elders 1	4-6th Grade Overnight Field Trip to Portland Zoo 2	8:40am Chapel 3 10am Ladies Bible Class 11:30am Bible Class at NB Senior Center	9:30am Esther Bible Class 4 Preschool Field Trip to Mahaffy Dairy PreK Field Trip to South Slough 3:45pm Staff Meeting	Kindergarten, 4-6th grade Beach Bash Field Trip 5	6
10:30am Communion 7 12pm Sunday School	8:40am - 12:30pm School Field Day at Ferry Rd. Park 8	Kindergarten-3rd grade Field Trip to Game Park 6:30pm Preschool Awards Program 9	8:40am Chapel 10 10am Ladies Bible Class 11:30am Bible Class at NB Senior Center 5pm Trustees 6:30pm PreK Awards Program	Last Day of School 11 9:30am Esther Bible Class 6:30pm Kindergarten Graduation	Staff Inservice 12	13
10:30am Worship 14 12pm Sunday School	15	16	10am Ladies Bible Class 17 11:30am Bible Class at NB Senior Center	18	19	20
Father's Day 21 10:30am Communion 12pm Sunday School	22	1pm Bd of Ed 23	10am Ladies Bible Class 24 11:30am Bible Class at NB Senior Center	25	26	9am Men's Club at Lakeshore Lodge 27
10:30am Worship 28 12pm Sunday School	5pm Council 29	30	<div data-bbox="1033 1203 1373 1442" data-label="Text"> <p>June Birthdays Tyson Baker – 1 Brandt Hoffman - 1 Ada Mahaffy – 1 Dennis Wuethrich - 6 Pastor Hoffman - 15</p> </div>		<div data-bbox="1514 1211 1906 1516" data-label="Text"> <p>June Anniversaries Bret & Julie Harris - 2 Greg & Laura Miller – 15 Hugh & Donna Tyler - 18 Ray & Rosie Kimball - 21 Rex & Marcia Zeebuyth - 23 Peter & Suzanne Trott - 27</p> </div>	

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