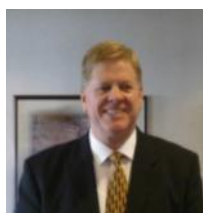


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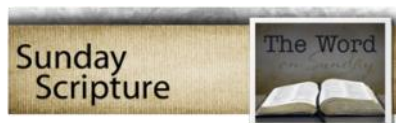
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**Sunday  
Worship  
Sept. 3  
8:30 am**

### Sunday's Focus

## DISASTER STRIKES

*"When Disaster Strikes." Hurricane Harvey has been a natural disaster of epic proportions. Where is God in the midst of disaster? He is there! He is our refuge and strength. He never leaves us. What should we do as His people when disaster strikes?*



### Readings for Sunday, 9.3.17

Psalm 105:1-6  
Romans 12:9-21  
Matthew 16:21-28

### 9.3.17 Worship

Greeter: Sharla Gosker  
Reader: Curt Barr  
Ushers: Laurids Pedersen  
& Duke Clifton

### 9.3.17 Hostesses

Vicki Barr

### 9.3.17 Ministry Center Prayer



### First Communion

"This is the Feast," our study of the Lord's Supper began last Sunday. We have six children, one friend, plus parents and grandparents attending the class. We will **not** meet on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, since two of the children will be out of town. The children will take their first communion on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Pray for these children as they prepare their hearts to receive this great gift!



### Disaster Relief Offering on Sunday

Hundreds of thousands of survivors need disaster assistance after Hurricane Harvey devastated Texas. Please pray for the survivors, the missing and those who lost loved ones. Churches and relief agencies are distributing emergency supplies including: food and water; temporary shelter; first aid supplies; hygiene kits (soap, shampoo, diapers), clothing, et al. Your gift on Sunday will help provide urgent relief and long-term recovery to those in the worst-hit areas. Make your check payable to **Christ Lutheran Church** and write **"Disaster Relief"** on the memo line. We will distribute funds to the organizations listed on the next page or you can make a gift directly.

## This Week at Christ Lutheran

### Sunday, September 3

8:30 am Worship service (HCC)  
10:15 am SS/Education Hour

### Tuesday, September 5

6:41 am Men Praying for Revival (HCC)  
6:00 pm House of Prayer (HCC)  
7:00 pm Bible study (HCC)

### Wednesday, September 6

6:30 pm CS Discipleship (HCC)  
6:30 pm Fellowship Comm.  
7:00 pm Christian Ed. Comm.

### Thursday, September 7

6:30 pm Executive Comm.  
6:30 pm Communication Comm.  
6:30 pm Finance & Stewardship Comm.

### Saturday, September 9

8:00 am Wash. Co. Recycle Center  
10:00 am Cleansing Stream

### Sunday, September 10

8:30 am Sunday worship (HCC)  
10:15 am First Communication class  
10:15 am Rally Sunday/Education Hour  
11:30 am Potluck/Congregational mtg.  
4:00 pm Ray Vander Laan Study begins



### Do You Need Personal Prayer?

If you would like someone to pray with you privately and confidentially, you may approach the front of the sanctuary after our worship.

**Father, bless each one  
present at worship on  
August 27 = 66**



### Relief Organizations

**Samaritans Purse** (<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/article/all-disaster-units-to-texas-hurricane-harvey/>); **Upbring** (<http://www.upbring.org/programs-and-services/community-services/disaster-response/>); **Orphan Grain Train**, <http://www.ogt.org/do/relief/floods.html>); **LCMC Lutheran Disaster Assistance Fund** - your gift can be sent directly to LDA: [Lutheran Disaster Assistance](#), 8300 C Avenue NE, Marion, IA 52302.

## HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

### Disaster Relief at the Local Level

**Crossover Community Church** (Freeport, TX) is collecting funds to help those impacted by Hurricane Harvey. 100% of your gift will be used to meet the immediate needs of people effected by the storm and to help rebuild their homes and lives. Go to <http://crossoverfreeport.com/give> and designate your gift to "Disaster Relief." **Bethel Mission** is also a locally based relief ministry. Use text messaging - text BMOG to 77977 to donate via PayPal. Enter 77977 as the address of the text and enter BMOG as the text message. You will receive a 'thank you' text message with a link to their PayPal account.



### NO Monday Noon Bible Study

There will be NO noon Bible study at HCC on Sept. 4 due to the Labor Day holiday.



### Joseph's Coat Job Opportunity

There is a part-time job opportunity at Joseph's Coat. Call Kathy Brechbill at 402.426.0440, if you would like to apply.



### Food Pantry Needs

The Washington County Food Pantry needs the following items: canned green beans, canned spaghetti, peanut butter, jelly, fresh eggs, oatmeal (individual microwaveable), pancake mix and syrup, diapers (sizes 1, 2 & 3). Drop your items off at the Pantry or bring them on Sunday.



### Ministry Center

Christ Lutheran Church has been invited to become the spiritual heartbeat of the faith-based *Frank and Jane Krejci Learning and Life Community*. We unanimously affirmed conducting discovery for occupying the Dana Library! May we walk into our future in complete unity.



### Bright Idea?

Do you have a bright idea for our ministry center? **Now** is the time to share it! Dr. Keith will receive your thoughts and ideas. Please send him an email: [kchris935@gmail.com](mailto:kchris935@gmail.com)



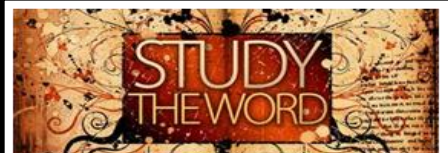
### Men's Prayer - Tuesday @ 6:41

Our *Men Praying for Revival* prayer group meets at Hillside Christian Church each Tuesday from 6:41-7:00 a.m. The Lord is setting the stage for revival in our city and region. He calls us to pray. All the men of the church are encouraged to attend. Bring a friend.



### House of Prayer on Tuesday

*"Only when you've become utterly dependent upon God through prayer and faith can you know that God will intervene and work His miracles."* Are you ready for God to intervene? Pray. 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, at Hillside. Be there.



### Tuesday Night Study

Please join us on Tuesday night as we continue our study of spiritual gifts. 7:00 p.m. at HCC.



Open Door Mission

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Thanks to all who worshiped and served at the Open Door Mission on Thursday night. Jesus was smiling!





### Annual Gathering Early Bird Registration

Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> is the early bird (discounted) registration deadline for the annual gathering of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) on Oct. 8—11, 2017. This year's gathering will be in Minneapolis, MN. If you plan to attend, register by Friday to save money!



### Recycling Center - September 9<sup>th</sup>

Join us at the recycling center on Saturday, September 9, from 8:00-noon. Serve with gladness!



### Church Meeting & Potluck

Plan now to join us for a potluck dinner and congregational meeting on Sunday, September 10, at 11:30 a.m., at HCC.



### Women's Retreat

The Women of the Word (Heartland District) will hold their annual retreat, Saturday, September 30, at First St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hastings, NE. The theme is "It's All About Relationships!" You are invited. Contact Joyce Boslau ([jboslau@hotmail.com](mailto:jboslau@hotmail.com)) to register or for more information.



### Missional Identity

Missional is not an activity. ***It's an identity!*** You are God's woman, man, or child. As Christians, we are not people who "do ministry." We are **ministers**. We are not people who "do mission." We are **missionaries**. Look for opportunities to be witnesses for Christ. Be Jesus to the world. Go!



### Missional Idea

***Engage a friend in a conversation about Hurricane Harvey.***

Share what you've decided to do to help the victims of this disaster. Speak about why you chose to help. Share the name of Jesus



### 'Living with Intention'

Women are invited to a 7-week group counseling experience, 9.12.17 to 10.24.17, from 10am-11:30am, at King of Kings in Omaha. The cost is \$280. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. The focus will include strategies for stress management, building relationships with other women, and discovering more about your God-given purpose. Group leaders are licensed counselors. Email Brenda at [brendan@kingofkingsomaha.org](mailto:brendan@kingofkingsomaha.org).



### Pocket Crosses!

Share Jesus and His saving love through our cross ministry.



### Cleansing Stream

A new Cleansing Stream Seminar began on August 19th, 10:00 a.m., at Hillside Christian Church. This DVD-based teaching of the Word is a great way to grow in discipleship. Call Tim Fischer at 402-699-5286 for more information.



### Bibles Available

If one of our guests needs a Bible, copies are available at our table in the foyer of the church. The Word has power! Share it with a guest to our church or a friend.



### Sharing is Caring!

"Share" our church's posts and invitations from the **CLC Facebook page** [www.facebook.com/CLCBlair/](http://www.facebook.com/CLCBlair/). Simply click on the "Share" arrow for each post and send an invitation to all your FB friends. "Like" our church's page.



### Answered Prayers

*Thank the Lord for the following:*

*For Mike Davis and Brad Patterson who are recovering well.*

*For Pastor Amy who has been symptom-free!*

*For God's favor on Christ Lutheran Church to be the spiritual core of the Krejci Learning and Life Community!*



## Fall Fest

Fall Fest will be celebrated on **Sunday, Oct 1**, from 11:30-2 at Depot and Lion's Park. Sloppy Joes, drinks, and paper products will be provided. Please bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. There will be games and a sing along after the meal. Come join the fun!

## JESUS FOLLOWERS

### Jesus Follower Quotes

*"Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others, we blind ourselves to our own evil and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are."* - Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

*"Not hero worship, but intimacy with Christ."* - Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

## CHRIST LUTHERAN Benevolence DOLLARS

**JULY 2017**  
**\$2,303.60 + \$150**

Cru-Jake Loftis (monthly) . \$ 150.00  
Operation Kid to Kid (water in Peru -  
added to VBS collection \$96.40) . . . . .  
\$ 203.60  
Capital Ministries . . . . . \$ 300.00  
Global Health Ministries (Pat Bentsen) . .  
\$ 500.00  
Iris Global (Mama Heidi) . . . \$ 400.00  
Teen Challenge of the Midlands . . . . .  
\$ 500.00  
Stephen's Center . . . . . \$ 400.00

**TOTAL \$ 2,453.60**



### Prayer Requests

*For the survivors of Hurricane Harvey.*

*For those who have lost loved ones in the hurricane.*

*For perfect unity in our church regarding our future ministry center.*

*For strength to do spiritual warfare with the armor of God.*

*For Farrah Rauch, an at-risk youth.*

*For Gloria Degner, Mike Davis, Nick Boots (Pam Camden's father), Brad Patterson, Jessica Degner, Aida, Mary Camden, Lindsey Rand, Dave Zimmerman, Krystal Craig, Tom Miller, Woody Woodring, Kelsey, Kate Christiansen, Eldon & LaDonna Bucy, John, Ashley, Joseph, Kelly Sue, Lucy, Connor, and all who need healing.*

*For Joseph's Coat and the Washington County Food Pantry.*

*For Holli and Dwight.*

*For Payge and her two sons.*

*For Chris and Courtnie and their children.*

*For marriages and families in crisis.*

*For single parents and their children.*

*For children and youth to be protected from suicidal ideation, bullying and abuse.*

*For those with addictions and eating disorders.*

### Will you serve?



### Joseph's Coat Volunteers

If you are willing to volunteer at Joseph's Coat and the Washington County Food Pantry, please contact Honour at 402.307.0431

or [honourdugan@hotmail.com](mailto:honourdugan@hotmail.com).

Thanks to those who have been volunteering regularly!



## September Birthdays

Aug. 27	Dianne Havekost
Aug. 29	Emma Anunson
Aug. 29	Dani Leigh Dodd
Sept. 22	Katelyn Smith
Sept. 22	Julie Smith
Sept. 23	Duke Clifton
Sept. 24	Al Bilau
Sept. 30	Cari Kraft

If you know of anyone omitted or incorrect in this list, please email Jody at [ptacnik@christlutheranblair.org](mailto:ptacnik@christlutheranblair.org) to update the church records.



## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 3	Bruce & Karen Camenzind
Sept. 29	Stan & Twila Sass

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### TeamMates Needed!

We need your support! TeamMates, a Dr. Tom and Nancy Osborne program, need mentors to apply for the Fall 2017 Blair Community School year. Your one-to-one mentoring can make a positive difference in the life of a student. For more information and to apply online, go to [www.teammates.org](http://www.teammates.org) or contact [blairteammates@blairtm.org](mailto:blairteammates@blairtm.org).