



## 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.



Growing up in God's Country (Minnesota) we enjoy four distinct seasons. Although winter is 6 months long my favorite is fall, or as my people call it, autumn. Of course, all the seasons are beautiful, but there is something special about this time of year; and I don't mean pumpkin spiced lattes.

As the weather gets cooler and the leaves change it makes me feel nostalgic or have a sense of longing. Our word "nostalgia" is from the Greek work, "nostos," which roughly translates as "coming/returning home" or "homecoming." It's strange because I cannot express what I'm longing for or nostalgic about; it's only a feeling.

I've been studying Philippians lately and Paul writes in 3:20 that, "our citizenship is in heaven." When we think about it, he's stating that we belong somewhere that we've never been to yet; it's our true home. One of my favorite authors, CS Lewis, explained that idea perfectly for me, "The fact that our heart yearns for something Earth can't supply is proof that Heaven must be our home." The first time I read that it described exactly what I felt. We belong with Jesus Christ. In that sense He is our true home.

Why that's good to know is because it gives us hope for today. He provides an eternal joy that is very real. We get glimpses of it now in our lives. In a way I feel that joy on these golden October days. It is reminder of the great love Christ has for us now and forever.

Peace,

*Pastor Chris*



Many of us have had brushes with cancer – ourselves, our parents, our children, our siblings, or friends. Did you know that there is a place In Yakima for cancer support services? It is called the Wellness House and is located at 6006 Summitview Ave.

Wellness House was established in 1988 to help cancer patients and their families in and around Yakima by Mazie Meade. Mazie was diagnosed with multiple cancers but her fighting spirit made her determined to fight this battle. There weren't many resources or services available in Yakima at that time. She wanted to make sure that others facing the same challenges could come together for support. Her vision was for families to come together to talk about their experiences.

Maize began holding meetings in her home until they became too large to accommodate that many guests. For a few years, they moved from space to space carrying a large laundry basket filled with books and articles to share. After five years of shuffling around, the Yakima Valley community began a fundraising campaign to purchase a building and create a permanent location to serve as the Wellness House and the Mazie Meade Memorial Library.

The Wellness House is a safe place for those who have been affected by a cancer diagnosis, either their own or their loved ones. They offer a variety of FREE programs and services including counselling, a Wig & Hat Boutique, the library, educational programs, and massage therapy.

This small organization runs on four staff members and an amazing group of volunteers. The goal of Wellness House is to create a community of hope and support. The support groups are:

- Cancer Support for Women, Men, & Children in English & Spanish
- Caregiver, Family & Friends Support
- Women's Depression Support
- Bereavement Support
- Fibro & Other Pains Support
- Trauma Survivor's Support
- Perinatal & Postnatal Support
- ALS Support
- Life Coaching
- Peer Mentoring
- Hepatitis C support



Look on the table in the narthex for a calendar of events and a few brochures regarding their services. I pray that this will be a resource that you will take advantage of and support.

I seem to remember that one year, our youth make comfort pillows for breast cancer patients. Our women also made comfort caps.

*Dear Lord, we ask with all our heart, please touch those who are touched by cancer. Bless them with courage and hope, may all find solace in your loving embrace. Heal them in body, mind, and spirit. Let their hope shine a hallowed light that burns forever to honor their spirited fight. In the name of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Amen*

**God's Peace**

*Deacon Kathy*



# In Our Hearts and Minds...



## Continuing Prayer Concerns

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

Jackie Larson	Linda Uecker	Kodi
Marty	Cal Bosch	Jim Sund
Cindy Lane	Sarah	Charlie
Tim Schultz	Laura Klippert	Keikue Lugo, Shawn, & Armando
Ken Osborne	Mary & John DeBroeck	Reese, Emily, & Stella
Gina Hunter & Family	David Lundy	Terry Stolley
Morgan	Beth Rood	Albert
John Whitcomb	Jaden Shaw	Olivia

Friends & Family of Dave Murray

*(Please help us keep this up to date and let us know when prayers have been answered.)*

## Serving Our Country

Taylor Bunker - USN	David Carlson
Brian Eling - USA	Luke Harper
Chris Wendt - National Guard	Justin Hughes – USA
Hannah & Nick Brown—USAF	Ian Dunbar—USMC



	<u>Worship Asst</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeter</u>
Oct 1st		Jim/Laura/Richard		Sue Stewart
Oct 8th			Jim Eling	Sue Stewart
Oct 15th		Jim/Laura/	Jim Eling	Sue Stewart
Oct 22nd		Heidi Taylor		
Oct 29th		Richard Roberts		
Altar Guild:	Laura Larson & Kathy Sebree			
Counters:	Sue Stewart & Jim Sund		Thank You!	

# CELEBRATIONS

## October Birthdays & Anniversaries

5th Fiona Dunbar

7th Austin Stone

14th Chris Peterson

22nd Andy Carroll

27th Ginger Mick



1st Nancy Rasmussen & Keith Dohrmann

17th Don & Rita Fisher



### October Scripture Readings:

Oct 1st	Ezekial 18:1-4;25-32	Psalm 25:1-9	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32
Oct 8th	Isaiah 5:1-7	Psalm 80:7-15	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33-46
Oct 15th	Isaiah 25:1-9	Psalm 23	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
Oct 22nd	Isaiah 45:1-7	Psalm 96:1-13	1 Thess. 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15-22
Oct 29th	Leviticus 19:1-2;15-18	Psalm 1	1 Thess. 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-46

Reformation Sunday is the 29th! Remember to wear **RED**





**Guy's Night Out**

**October 19th**

**7:00**

**Abby's Pizza**

**4808 Tieton Drive**

*Gals' Lunch Out*

*October 19th*

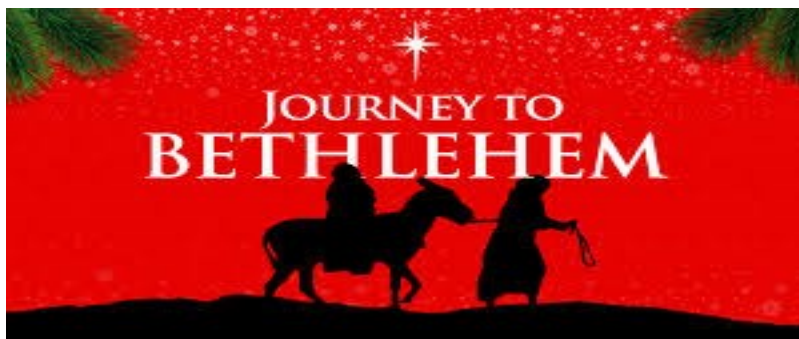
*11.45*

*Caffe' 11th Avenue*

*1003 West Yakima Ave.*



After a four-year hiatus, the Yakima Seventh-day Adventist Church (Nita's church) will be doing Journey to Bethlehem Dec. 1-4. Those of you who have attended know that it's a small version of the town of Bethlehem at the time of Jesus' birth. It takes about 200 people to be shopkeepers, lepers, dancers, tax collectors, soldiers, etc., etc. If any of Christ Lutheran members or friends would like to be involved, please talk to Nita, call her at 509-731-9926 or call Debbie Gilbert, Coordinator, 509-969-1552. It's one of the most popular events in the advent season, and thousands have enjoyed it in past years. (Izzie the camel will be here!)



**Come One, Come All to Christ Lutheran Family Bible Night!**

**Fun for all ages!**

**Sunday, October 22nd**

**4:00–5:30**

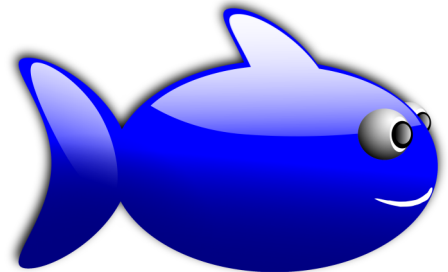
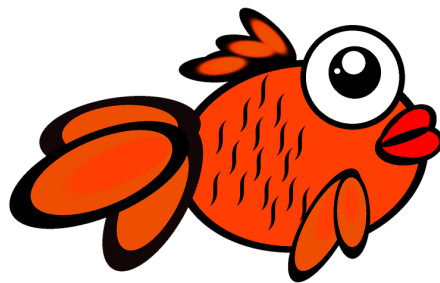
**Step Right Up and Become Fishers of Men**

**Hear stories of Great Men who Fished for People**

**Crafts and Activities for all ages**

**Sing songs about Fishers of Men**

**Have a Fishers of Men Meal**



**Harvest Dinner**

**Sunday, October 29th**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Stew, Bread, Dessert**

**Fund Raiser for Veteran's Thanksgiving Boxes**

**More Details to come**

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5606 W Lincoln Ave  
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