

*We are a Christ-Centered congregation committed to the authority of the Bible as the inspired Word of God. We follow His Word, which commands us to reach out to all people with the saving power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness and service.*

# Christiana Courier

Carl Haynes, pastor  
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## New music classes offered

Our Music Director Becky is developing two additional music classes for our children: one for ages 18 months to 3 1/2 years, and a second group for ages 3-5. (Target date to begin is still to be determined.)

All parents of children these ages should plan to meet with Becky in the Assembly Hall after church on September 4 for more information. This group would be modeled on the Kindermusik standard course of study, using instruments, stories, movement, manipulatives and music to stimulate and educate the whole child, but with spiritual emphases.

Becky was the founder of Kindermusik of Rowan in the 1990's and directed a school with an enrollment of over 120 children. The goal for our new music times is not performance, but rather family spiritual growth and holistic child development.

Parents would initially attend class with their children. Once protocol is established, the older group would begin class without parents, but be joined by their family during the last few minutes of music time.

There will be no charge and registration will open first to church members' families. If not filled, classes will then be open to the public, (perhaps for a small donation to the church's music fund?) Plan now to attend the meeting on September 4. Anyone interested may contact Becky by email at [beckycarolmorris@yahoo.com](mailto:beckycarolmorris@yahoo.com) or by text or cell phone: 704-213-1894.

## Men gearing up for annual Car Show

Members of Christiana! It's time to let your light shine!

Our 4th annual car show is Nov. 5. Events include a poker run from 9-11:30 a.m. The car show starts at noon.

The proceeds of this car show will benefit Brighten the Beacon projects.

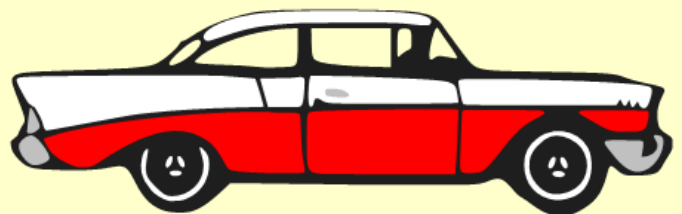
Once again there will be raffle baskets full of goodies, BBQ chicken (we hope to sell 400 halves), hotdogs, drinks, etc.

We could use your help as it takes a lot of people to be successful. We encourage you to attend the show and let the community know Christiana is alive and her light shines!

Alone, we can do little. Together, we can do much.

Do we (you and I) have the courage to make it happen?

Let your light shine on November 5th!



## Homecoming planned for September 18

Christiana Lutheran Church will celebrate its 145th Homecoming on Sunday, September 18. The Rev. Stephane Kalonji, pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church in New Bern, NC will be our guest preacher. Worship will begin at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. Following worship, the congregation will enjoy a covered dish lunch. Please bring a meat, vegetable and dessert to share. Drinks, cups,

plates and eating utensils will be provided.



# Youth Stuff

## Youth Helping in Worship in September

### Sept. 4

Crucifer: Carlee Lowry

Torches: Chase & Caylee Hawkins

### Sept. 11

Acolytes:

Meredith Stokes & Lani Isley

### Sept. 18

Acolytes:

T J Woods & Gabe Honeycutt

### Sept. 25

Acolytes:

Aubrey Honeycutt & Ainslee Lowry



## THRIVE @ 5 happenings

- ◆ THRIVE Lounge/Sunday School is every Sunday from 8:45-9:15am.
- ◆ Thrive @ 5 September 11 & 25
- ◆ Little Thrive Choir Sept. 11 & 25, 4:30 pm
- ◆ Thrive Youth Choir Sept. 11 & 25, 6:00 pm
- ◆ Thrive meets at church at 6 p.m. on Sept. 30 to go to East Rowan football game

## Those Who Serve in September

### Nursery Attendants

Sept. 4 Chris & Katie Sease

Sept. 11 R Honeycutt & L Kluttz

Sept. 18 Jill Shank & Brandy Fox

Sept. 25 S Paskiewicz & E Barnes

### Children's Sermon Part 2

Sept. 4 L Scott & M Riddle

Sept. 11 B Barnhardt & youth

Sept. 18 K Haynes & K Goodman

Sept. 25 Wendi & Caylee Hawkins

### Offering Counters

Sept. 4 Marsha & Dale Beaver

Sept. 11 R Crouch & E Eller

Sept. 18 D Smith & K Goodman

Sept. 25 M Zieverink & L Haynes

## September Birthdays

- 1 Phyllis Robinson
- 3 Erica Yost
- 6 Jason Smith
- 6 Cody Pruette
- 8 Jason Kluttz
- 9 Brantley Lyerly
- 11 Charles Roberts
- 14 Ann Meacham
- 15 Harry Agner
- 20 Avalyn Scott
- 26 Branson Pethel
- 28 Benjamin Rowland
- 29 Dave Beretsky
- 30 Adam Cross

**Happy  
Birthday!**



## September Altar Flowers

Sept. 4 Jan Pruette

Sept. 11 Patti Boles

Sept. 18 Kevan Barringer

Sept. 25 Don Smith



Altar Flowers



## ***Making Disciples***

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV)

In these verses from Matthew, known as the Great Commission, Jesus commands us to make disciples. And he tells us how to do it—by baptizing them in the Trinitarian name of God and teaching them what Jesus has commanded us to teach. The whole purpose is to grow the Church, the body of Christ with people who believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior and are trained to go out make disciples, etc., etc. In other words, we are to reproduce disciples.

Now for the most part, we Lutherans have taken this to mean physically. We’ve been good at what I call “bedroom evangelism” literally making new Lutherans. But that only works for so long. For example, my wife and I are no longer making Lutheran Disciples that way. This way of evangelism is limited by age, but spiritually reproducing disciples has no age limit. Unfortunately we Lutherans have not been very good at the latter. But that’s about to change.

I have been working with a coach from the Navigators, an organization that trains Christians to be disciple makers, for nearly two years. And in the past year I have been working and training a team of our members to be disciple makers and they are ready to begin asking members of Christiana if they would be willing to work with them to be trained to make disciples.

I am starting a new discipleship team that I will train to make disciples and they will be ready next year to go out and train people to make disciples. The plan is for this to spread throughout the congregation until most all of us are trained to spiritually reproduce disciples. Then we will be ready to go outside the congregation and reach out to non-believers and seek to make disciples of them.

Groundwork has also been laid with the Congregation Council and our Youth Director, Brittney. We’re using the book “Growing in Christ” and are memorizing key Scripture verses intentionally chosen to help us be prepared to share the basics of our faith. Brittney will eventually begin working with our youth, training them to make disciples.

The vision is to change the culture of our congregation from one of taking in new members, to one of making new disciples. In order for us to be able to do that, we have to be disciples ourselves. Disciples of Jesus are obedient to him and his commands; disciples are students of the Word of God—reading it, studying it, memorizing it, and sharing it with others. Disciples are faithful pray-ers and givers. We are faithful to share our faith with others. Fellowshiping with other disciples is important to us because we gain strength and support from one another. This leads us to work together to serve one another within the body of Christ as well as outside of it.

In October I am going to be doing a sermon series on Discipleship and preaching on the areas of Obedience, Prayer, the Word, Stewardship, Fellowship and Witnessing. Please be in prayer for me that the Holy Spirit will guide me in preparing for this sermon series. Be in prayer also that the Spirit will guide each of us to be open to becoming disciples who are trained to “spiritually” reproduce and make more disciples, especially if you are asked by one of those who’ve been trained to do this. Pray for the culture of our congregation to become a disciple-making culture for the building up of the Kingdom and the glory of God.

*Pastor Carl*

# LCW

## Group #1

will meet on Tuesday August 30 at 10:00 AM  
with  
Glenn Wall, program leader.  
O'Charlie's for lunch

## Sister Lucille Group

will meet on Tuesday, September 6 at 6:30 p.m.  
in the Assembly Hall  
with Jan Pruette, hostess  
and LaVaughn Beaver, program leader

# C-Fest Celebrating the C in YMCA



Sept. 24 10am-2 pm  
Saleeby-Fisher  
YMCA

## Christian Fun Family Festival

- ◆ Inflatables
- ◆ Fish the Magish
- ◆ The Chapeleers
- ◆ Barry McGee, comedian
- ◆ Food, Drink
- ◆ Catawba Worship Arts
- ◆ Dunking Booth

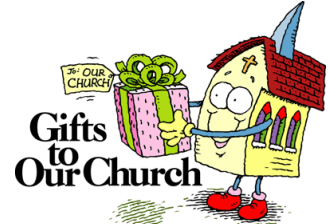
## Gifts to Brighten the Beacon

In honor of Linda Crouch by Kate Beretsky

In memory of Jettie Connell by Charles & Jenny Roberts, Madeline Zieverink, Mike & Vickie Keene

In memory of Joe Renegar by Alan & LaVaughn Beaver, Dale & Marsha Beaver, Francis Peeler, LCW Group #1

In memory of Grace Kluttz by LCW Group #1, Charles & Jenny Roberts, Frances Peeler, Mike & Vickie Keene



In memory of Nancy Fisher by Madeline Zieverink, Charles & Jenny Roberts, Frances Peeler, Mike & Kate Beretsky, Onetia Bruce, Jean Ray, Annita Davis, Carolyn & Gordon Hurley, Joyce Trexler, Alan & LaVaughn Beaver, Kent & Carol Brown, Helen Brown & family, Betty Rose Witty, Kay Abernathy, Doris Ritchie, Eddie & Debbie Eller, Don & Rose Dedmon, Larry & Sandra McKenzie, Elaine Hon-eycutt, Don & Pat McDonough

In memory of Jim Kluttz by Alan & LaVaughn Beaver

In memory of Lana Moore by Madeline Zieverink, Teresa McKinney, Charles & Jennie Roberts, Jay & Karen Goodman, Mike & Kate Beretsky, Doris Ritchie

**To the cemetery fund** in memory of Wendell & Pansy McNeely Kluttz by Frances Kluttz Ruggles

## Remember our shut-ins

**Genesis:** Carolyn Barringer Corl

**Liberty Commons:** Elizabeth Ritchie

**Trinity Oaks Health & Rehab:** Katherine Lyerly

**Autumn Care:** Naomi Cates, Pat Ramsey

**NC State Veterans Home:** Claude Lyerly, Gib Russell

**The Meadows of Rockwell:** Juanita Hovis

**Carillon Assisted Living:** Pauline Lyerly

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Mailed August 24, 2016

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Sunday School 9:15 AM  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

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Council Vice-President: Jeff Fleming  
Council Secretary: Bruce Wilhelm

Church Secretary: Ann Teague  
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Church Treasurer: Dale Beaver  
Organist/Music Director: Becky Morris  
Youth Director: Brittney Barnhardt

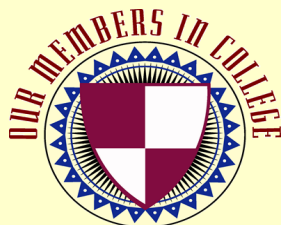
Lutheran Church Women: Sue Wall  
Christiana Lutheran Men: Jason Smith  
Christiana Rowdy Seniors: Jenny Roberts

Chancel Choir  
Becky Morris, Director  
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Handbell Choir  
Kathy Haynes, Director  
Sundays at 5:00 p.m.



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Please advise the church office of any additions or corrections to this list at 704-279-4655 or [christiana1@charlotte.twcbc.com](mailto:christiana1@charlotte.twcbc.com).

## September Scripture Lessons

**Pentecost 16, Sept. 4**  
Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
Psalm 1  
Philemon 1-21  
Luke 14:25-35

**Pentecost 17, September 11**  
Ezekiel 34:11-24  
Psalm 119:169-176  
1 timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10

**Pentecost 18, September 18**  
Amos 8:4-7  
Psalm 113  
1 Timothy 2:1-15  
Luke 16:1-15

**Pentecost 25, September 25**  
Amos 6:1-7  
Psalm 146  
1 Timothy 3:1-13  
Luke 16:19-31



# Thanks!

Dear Christiana Lutheran Church,  
Thank you very much for your support of this year's Baby Bottle Campaign. Your support as a church family is vital to the continued success of the campaign. We appreciate your church's support of our event.  
Sincerely,  
Ashley Duncan,  
Director of Administration



To benefit  
Organ Lutheran  
Church  
Outreach  
Ministries  
Food Pantry

## Hunger Awareness Walk

Oct. 2, 2:00 pm beginning at Rockwell United Methodist Church

Sponsored by Ursinus UCC.  
Call 704-202-4952 to register or for more information.

### Food Drive Announced

LCW Group #1 will sponsor a food drive throughout the month of September. Rowan Helping Ministries is in dire need of supplies at this time. So

**PLEASE GIVE** so that others may eat!

Food collection boxes will be placed around the entry areas of the church.

Thank you!



## FEED THE HUNGRY

### New Disciples Class planned for September

On September 4, 18 & 25, & October 2, beginning at 9:15am Pastor Carl will lead a new disciples class. Anyone interested in becoming a part of Christiana or learning more about what we Lutheran Christians believe and teach, see Pastor Carl or call him at 704-223-1468 to sign up. The classes will be held in his study.

# Healthcare Ministries Health Fair set for Sept. 24 9 a.m.—1 p.m.



- ◆ Chancel Choir rehearsals are weekly on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
- ◆ Handbell Choir rehearsals are weekly on Sundays at 5 p.m. beginning September 11. If you want to be a Ding-a-Ling, show up at 5 on Sept. 11
- ◆ Thrive Youth Choir meets Sept. 11 & 25 at 6 p.m.
- ◆ Little Thrive Choir meets Sept. 11 & 25 at 4:30 p.m.

## First Communion Classes and Presentation of Bibles

First Communion classes will be held on Wednesdays this year and are open to 5<sup>th</sup> graders and any older youth who have recently joined the church and have not been through this instruction. This is to educate these youth in the meaning of the Sacrament of Holy Communion so that they can begin receiving our Lord's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of their sins.

Orientation will be held on Sunday, September 4th at 9 am in the Assembly Hall. During Worship that same Sunday, the youth will be presented with their Bible and parents will receive support material. This is the Bible they will use for the classes in 1st Communion and later on, Confirmation.

1st Communion Classes will begin September 9th at 4pm in the hall and go until 5pm. The dates for classes will be September 7, 14, 21 & 28. The youth will then receive their first communion on Sunday, October 2 during the 10:30 am worship service.

## Prayer Concerns



Clarence Bostian, in ICU at NHRMC, critical condition. Pat Ramsey, recovering from surgery at CMCNE, then to Autumn Care for rehab. Becky Preslar's mom, Ruby Peck, Lutheran Home, Albe-marle, recovering from broken hip & wrist. Joyce Ketchie's daughter Tonya recovering from brain surgery to remove cancerous tumor. Charles & Jenny Roberts' friends, Len Olson, cancer & Sandy Moldovon, injuries from fall. Patti Boles, Cushing's disease. LaVaughn Beaver's husband Alan—renal dialysis. Jeff Yost—high blood pressure, stress test. Denise Koehn's father recovering at home; her friend Sandy Morris, stage 3 breast cancer. Pauline Lyerly, Carillon, rm. C13. Gloria Cross, kidney issues. Marsha & Dale's friend, Gail Reynolds, stage 3 pancreatic cancer. Miles Rhodes, prostate cancer. Ann & Bill Meacham in poor health.

***Congratulations to Tony and Wendi Hawkins at the birth of their son Colton***

***Sympathy to the family of Grace Kluttz who died August 1.***

***Sympathy to Terry Connell and family at the death of his mother, Jettie Connell.***

***Sympathy to Alan & LaVaughn Beaver at the death of Alan's sister, Lana Moore.***

***Sympathy to Rose Dedmon and family at the death of her sister Nancy Fisher.***

***Sympathy to Sandra Fesperman and family at the death of her brother Jimmy Kluttz. His graveside service will be held here on September 17th at 1pm.***

# Christiana Church Council Minutes

August 14, 2016

**Members Present:** Laurie Ritchie (Pres.), Jeff Fleming (V.P.), Bruce Wilhelm (Sec.), Pastor Carl Haynes, Jason Smith, Harold Morris, Joe Koehn, Richard Crouch, Robbie Robinson, Glenn Wall, Jenny Roberts, Madeline Zieverink, Leanne Kluttz, Banks Kluttz, and Charlotte Pacillio

**Members Absent:** J. Wood

**Also Present:** Dale Beaver, Treasurer and Brittney Barnhardt, Youth Minister

**Invocation:** Pastor Carl Haynes

**Prayer of Blessing:** Council members in unison.

## Council Business

### Concerns, Receptions and Approvals

July 10, 2016 council minutes were approved as submitted.

Financial Report for July, 2016 was approved as submitted.

Pastor and Youth Director Reports were accepted as submitted.

### Prayerful Consideration of Council Matters

#### Member Transfer Requests

The membership transfer request of Kevin and Susan Holland was approved:

#### Music Program Expansion Proposal

The executive committee met on July 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss the music program expansion proposal from Becky Morris. The executive committee then referred the proposal to the stewardship committee for review and advice. The executive committee met again this morning prior to the council meeting to review the recommendation from the stewardship committee and explore the proposal further before deciding on a recommendation for council.

After much discussion and debate, council approved a motion to send a recommendation to the stewardship committee to increase the salary of the music program director by \$5,000. The stewardship committee will take this proposal into consideration during its annual budget planning meeting on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Bible Study** – “Growing in Christ”

**Next Council Meeting:** September 11, 2016 at 7:30am

**Church Lock up:** September - Richard Crouch; October - Harold Morris

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Wilhelm

Council Secretary

### A Bible Study on Aging announced

Beginning September 1 at noon the Christiana Rowdy Seniors will have a cover-dish luncheon in the assembly hall of the church. Following that Pastor Carl will conduct a Bible Study entitled “A Covenant of Aging.” This is a Bible Study for Mature Adults by Pr. Brad Hales. It bears in mind the unique perspective of those who have seen many years in their relationship with God, and may wonder how faith can speak anew to their daily lives. The simple, straightforward questions offered for discussion focus on Scripture texts that address some particular concerns for older (read: mature) Christians. The participants book is \$6. Bring your Bible and a pencil or pen. Pr. Carl will have the books available for purchase. See you on September 1<sup>st</sup>.



## 2016 NALC Convocation focuses on "Holy God, Holy Lives"

More than 400 NALC members gathered August 10-12 for the 2016 NALC Convocation in Anaheim, Calif., around the theme, "Holy God, Holy Lives." Among them representing Christiana were Richard and Linda Crouch who were our delegates; and Pastor Carl and Kathy Haynes.

Major presentations were provided by the Rev. Dr. Malcolm Guite of the University of Cambridge, England, and musician Steve Bell from Winnipeg, Manitoba. They combined to lead devotions during the Convocation and led a poetic and musical reflection on the theme. Prof. Guite also gave an address entitled, "C.S. Lewis: 'Friendship and Holiness.'"

The Rev. Dr. James Nestingen, a noted Lutheran historian, led a Bible study and was preacher for the Communion service.

"Holy Families" will be a special NALC emphasis as a part of the 2017 celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. A variety of resources will be available for congregations and families.

**The NALC Mission Festival** began the Convocation under the theme, "Faith is Made Whole in Community." Time on Wednesday and Thursday was spent focusing on what it means for the NALC to be a Mission-Driven church. Speakers included Bishop John Bradosky, Pastor Gemechis Buba, Assistant to the Bishop for Missions, and Gary Pecuch of faithwebbing.com. Delegates also focused on developing mission plans for their congregations and Mission Districts.

**Elected to the NALC Executive Council** to four-year terms were Lynn Kickingbird of Edmond, Okla., and Pastor Kenneth Kimball of Waterville, Iowa. Pastor David Schafer of Waukon, Iowa, was elected to the Court of Adjudication. The Convocation also ratified the election of four people to the NALC-Canada Section Governing Board.

**North American Lutheran Seminary** Board of Regents members were elected. Pastor Cathi Braasch of Elwood, Neb.; Donna Evans of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Pastor Jeffray Greene of Brooks, Ga., were elected to six-year terms. Bishop Paull Spring of State College, Pa., was elected to a four-year term to fill a vacancy on the board.

**2017 budgets were approved.** The Convocation approved a \$2 million operating budget for the NALC. Budgets were also approved for the NALC's two designated funds: \$140,500 for the Great Commission Fund and \$525,160 for the Fund for Theological Education (which includes the North American Lutheran Seminary). Treasurer Ryan Schwarz reported that NALC "income is very substantially below budget." Many delegates expressed concerns about the shortfall and committed to addressing support for the NALC in their congregations or encouraging gifts by individuals.

**The Braaten and Benne Lectures in Theology**, the annual theological conference which precedes the Convocation, focused on theological perspectives on the Person of Christ. Five speakers explored the theme from different theological perspectives. The speakers were Dr. Carl Braaten, Dr. Phillip Cary, Dr. Wesley Hill, Dr. Mickey L. Mattox, and Dr. Michael Pasquarello III.

**Video recordings** of the NALC Convocation and the Braaten-Benne Lectures on Theology will be available for viewing online at [www.thenalc.org](http://www.thenalc.org). Documents from the Convocation and daily summaries are also available online.