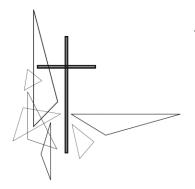


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## Pastor's Message

I recently experienced something rare: I attended a wedding and I didn't officiate. Over the last few years, my wedding excursions included rehearsal dinners, writing sermons and pre-martial counseling sessions. This time, however, my only expectation involved tearing up the dance floor. As I sat there in the pews, waiting for the ceremony to start, I realized that

every wedding comes with different types of expectations. Sometimes we are intimately involved with the planning and decision-making. Other times, we're a member of the bridal party, watching our good friend say "I do." Occasionally we're asked to just join in the celebration. Whether we realize it or not, weddings are filled with expectations. There are the expectations we bring to the big day, like knowing the ceremony will start late and that the lines for bacon-wrapped appetizers will be incredibly long. But weddings also expect us to act, pray and celebrate in specific ways too. A maid-of-honor is expected to give a toast, and the flower boys and girls are expected to throw their flowers in the right spots. A wedding includes more than just the expectations of the wedding couple and their families. Weddings have expectations for all of us.

In a similar way, churches have expectations too. But to notice them, we need to remember that a church is more than a building. A church is the assembly: the people gathered in Christ's name. When Paul wrote his letters to the Corinthians, Thessalonians, and Romans, he wrote to people. These small groups of disciples met in private homes since no official church buildings existed. The church was (and is!) the people who are brought together by the Spirit to follow Jesus. This following requires faith. It requires grace. And, it also requires changing out expectations because we're more than a group of people who hang out together. When we come together, Jesus promises to show up with us. This promise isn't pretend or abstract. Jesus' promise to each of us, and to the church, is very real. As people bounded to each other by our baptism and our faith, we are expected to be more than just mere acquaintances. Jesus expects us to be His church, together.

This expectation manifests in different ways. You're expected to meet with your fellow disciples of Jesus on Sunday morning if you are well and able. If Sunday morning doesn't work for you, then the entire community must do the work to create a new gathering at a different time and place. You're also expected to keep the community in your prayers, especially the people we name on out loud on Sunday morning. You might not know what they need prayers for but don't worry: God knows. You're expected, as a member of Christ's church, to financially support the community in a very intentional way. And finally, you're expected to make a difference in our neighborhood and in our world through our collective ministry or in another meaningful way. These expectations can be challenging but they exist so that our faith can be more than something that lingers in the back of our minds. Faith's expectations for us are how others will see what Jesus has done for us. In other words, Jesus' expectations are how we love – and this is the kind of love that will transform us into something brand new.

> See you in church! Pastor Marc



To my fellow members,

Thank you for your continued support of the work and ministry here at Christ Lutheran Church.

As we head into the summer months, I wish you a safe and enjoyable summer. Traditionally, church

attendance is low this time of year as people travel for vacations and spend time out in the warm weather. Our work at CLC, however, continues as usual. With that in mind, please consider keeping up with your pledges and contributions. If you are going to be away, the option is always there to send in your contribution ahead of time.

I leave you with the following verse from 2 Corinthians 9:6:

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."

> Yours in Christ, Noel Ulanday

## Genesis Garden

We picked 10 lbs. of vegetables earlier than planned. We're expecting a bumper crop this year but need your help. Come out on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm to tend this garden. Everything we grow will be donated to the Center for Food Action in Englewood!



## Mercy and Addiction

The following is a selection from an article published on LivingLutheran.com. Read the entire article at: <u>https://www.livinglutheran.org/2018/05/mercy-and-addiction/</u>

Last year a man overdosed in the parking lot of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Middletown, Ohio, where Michelle Terry is pastor. After being revived by authorities in the afternoon, the man nonchalantly showed up at the church's community outreach dinner that evening. "They didn't tell me at seminary what to do with this," Terry said.

While the congregation handled the crisis well, she said they weren't quite sure how to help him when he showed up at the dinner. "I contacted the



assistant to the bishop and said, 'I don't know what to do,' " Terry said. "The first instinct is to lock the church doors, but I knew that wasn't right. The assistant the Sunday to the bishop came next and praved with us." Bethlehem is working to address the drug issue that has impacted its community. The rural area has been the subject of many national news stories and documentaries.

Dara Yah'ya, program manager for youth development and wellness for Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area in Washington, D.C., is doing a lot of education on substance abuse and is planning to start support groups and retreats.

"The stigma of having a substance use [disorder] keeps people from getting treatment," she said. "What we do is help the young people manage the stigma so they can stay in treatment. We still want them connected to their primary treatment, but we have support groups and we encourage them."

opioid story is the same from the cities to the suburbs. The Wendy Abrahamson is pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Our Saviour Plains, N.J., part of Pequannock Township, in Pompton which has a population around 15,000. She said the congregation helped found Community Partners for of churches, social service Hope, а group agencies, hospital that addresses community businesses the local and issues. "Last year we were talking about community awareness and the size of our town," she said. "Having had three overdose deaths, we knew we weren't immune to the crisis."

Community Partners for Hope has sponsored a few well-attended opioid awareness events, featuring experts from the court system, the hospital and a recovering heroin user. They sponsored a "Hidden in Plain Sight" event by Power to the Parent, where a typical teenager's room was replicated to show parents the ways they can hide alcohol, drugs and paraphernalia. The group also hosted former NBA player, Chris Herren, who discussed his battle with drugs.

While Abrahamson said she spends several hours every month planning and promoting community events, she doesn't mind the extra work. "I see it as living out Matthew 25:35—'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,'" she said. "We're called to take care of one another. I think our organization believes in the strength of our community, and the healthier we are as people, the healthier we are as a community. As we've learned, it's across every economic status, race and culture. It hasn't skipped anybody."

#### From the Finance Committee

In accordance with the Congregational approved motion on June 3, 2018; the 'Restricted' funds approved for use are the following.

Approved amount	\$50 <i>,</i> 000.
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#### Amount accessed from approved funds:

Through May 31 <sup>st</sup> , prior to the June 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting	\$ 3,928
Amount for June 2018	\$ 2,255

Total amount of remaining available Funds\$43,817

#### Medicare Update to be Presented

On Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup> in the Sonshine Room, following the 9:30 am summer worship service, CLC will be sponsoring a Medicare update given by Nancy Ulanday who is a SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) volunteer. If you are interested, please RSVP to Doris Crouse in the church office, 201-391-4224. Your friends are welcome!

## Members of the Care Committee and Their Friends



This was a celebration at the end of their programming year with a special lunch at *Osso Bucco*! The Care Committee oversees many different ministries at CLC with a focus on helping community members through crisis and also care for the aging. We look forward to kicking off the next programming year in September.

## Don't Forget: Traveling this Summer?

If you find yourself in another part of the world on a Sunday morning, make sure to visit a local church and bring back a bulletin for Pastor Marc. Recently he visited a Christ Lutheran Church in Highlands Ranch, Colorado and found a few new things in their bulletin that we might want to try. Drop a bulletin off at the church office and let Pastor Marc know how that church service went!

# We Are Getting Ready to Print a New Church Directory!

But first, please stop by the church narthex and edit the draft of your listing. Write "OK" if it is already what you would like published. You may also call the church office or send an email to us to share your directory information or to tell us it is OK as printed.

In addition, we are updating the church records of our membership. There is a list to write in your name, your birth date, baptismal date and an anniversary date, all of which will be for the church records only.



#### We Are Thankful!

**Save the Date for Women's Weekend at Koinonia!!** This year, Christ Lutheran Church Women have scheduled the weekend of Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> as the Women's Retreat weekend. More details to follow in the fall. Think about joining in for fun, food and a respite from your busy life here in Bergen County!

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Glen at **A+ Cleaners** on Chestnut Ridge Road in Woodcliff Lake. We were given a donation of a beautiful wedding gown during Trash & Treasure, which we then donated to an organization that provides gowns to military and first responder brides. We brought the gown to Glen to have it cleaned, which he did and boxed it for us at no charge. He did an amazing job and was so thoughtful. If you're looking for a local dry cleaner, please consider A+!

Christine Badame

#### School Kit Items on Sale (already!)

Remember how excited you were to buy your new school supplies to start the year? You can give a child that same feeling by watching sales and buying the following items:

Drawstring backpacks or tote bags, about 14" x 27"

70-sheet spiral notebooks

Pencils with erasers

Pencil sharpeners

Box of 24 crayons 12" rulers Scissors (rounded tip) Large erasers



Last year we were able to assemble 52 kits. Let us see if we can beat that number. Please place your items into the basket in the Narthex. Bless you for helping to put some joy into a child's life.

Remember to collect small toiletry items you find in hotels. These are needed for St. Timothy's Blessing Bags .For questions call JoAnn Sallo, 201-666-2156



## Updates from the Center for Food Action

The Center for Food Action in Englewood (<u>cfanj.org</u>) has launched a couple of amazing new programs! Below a is list of just some of the ways they're working hard to make sure seniors, families, children and adults are fed during these summer months.

✤ Last year CFA rescued 447,792 lbs. of food from area supermarkets. Not only did this increase our ability to provide fresh meats and vegetables to our clients, it helped reduce food waste. Food that gets thrown out ends up in landfills, where it gradually decomposes and releases methane, a strong greenhouse gas.

CFA, in partnership with the Community Food Bank of NJ, is distributing fresh produce to residents living in the Metropolitan and Vanguard communities in Moonachie and hosting a Free-Farmers Market for residents of the Englewood Public Housing Authority.

Dinners4Seniors: to expand how the CFA helps our growing senior population, they will be giving four additional meals to qualifying seniors. The package will include individual servings of salmon, cod, chicken breasts, ground turkey, vegetables, seasonings and more.

✤ 4-H CFA Englewood Gardening Club Bergen County 4-H and CFA are collaborating to build a 4-H CFA Englewood Gardening Club. Through this partnership, young people will have an opportunity to learn hands-on gardening skills while giving back to the community.

And, as we've done for the last 33 years, we continue to deliver fresh produce from our Genesis Garden to the CFA each week. Together, we can make sure all people in northern New Jersey are fed.

## Save the Date: VBS August 6-9, 2018, 9 am—12 noon

#### Discover God's Way of Peace!

For Pre-K (3+) through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Welcome to Peace Lab, where children discover God's way of peace! From learning how to resolve conflicts to figuring out ways to help others, this interactive VBS curriculum helps children learn how to be peacemakers. Each day children will explore Bible stories in fun and interactive ways, equipping themselves to follow Jesus as compassionate peacemakers.



Suggested donation: \$20.00 per child with checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church (VBS in the memo line). Register online at <u>http://www.myvbs.org/clcvbs</u>.

#### From the Library—

Need a book or two to read while sitting on the sand or at poolside?

Browse the selection of books on display in our library. Some are light reading, some are funny, all are good "summer reading".

On a more serious note, William Paul Young, who wrote "The Shack," has published his first non-fiction title: "Lies We Believe About God," a very readable book about taking God for granted. This title is also on display.

## New at Christ Lutheran – "GAB Session"

On July 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am we will have a get together just to socialize and have a no frills lunch (pizza). There is nothing to bring. Just come and enjoy. If you would like to join us, please RSVP with Debbie Louis by calling 201-358-6435.

## Some Summer Worship Notes





# Celebrating God's Gift of Musical Talent

Do you sing or play an instrument? We want to spend the summer featuring the musical talent in our pews! Please consider sharing your talent with us this summer. Dates are available through September 9. Sign up by calling the church office (201-391-4224).

## Finding Your Spiritual Gifts

God has given each Christian two vitally important gifts. The first is the gift of faith in Jesus Christ, his work of redemption and thus forgiveness of sin. The second is the gift of one or more special abilities, which are to be used for the purpose of unifying the body of Christ and for the growth of God's Kingdom. These abilities are called spiritual gifts, and they are received through our baptism. Like other presents, it is impossible to fully appreciate and make use of our spiritual gifts until they have been opened.

Starting on July 15<sup>th</sup> through August 19<sup>th</sup>, we'll take time each Sunday to dig into our possible Spiritual Gifts. Know you'll miss one of those Sundays? We'll get you caught up when you get back!

## 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering June 26<sup>th</sup> - July 1<sup>st</sup> Houston, Texas This Changes Everything

What happens when you get 31,000 Lutherans into an NFL football stadium? You get the ELCA Youth Gathering! This every-three-year event brings high school students from all over our denomination (all 50 states. the Caribbean, and 8 countries) to experience Jesus in new ways. This year Pastor Marc, Coleen Daub, and Brendan Post attended from CLC. We arrived a



day early and spent the first day exploring Houston. We joined thousands of other Lutherans to see the Houston Astros defeat the Toronto Blue Jays in baseball (and enjoy Minute Maid Park's dollar hot dogs). We also saw America's space program up close at the Johnson Space Center. It was exciting to sit in the original mission control center for the Apollo moon missions.

The Youth Gathering started the evening of June 27<sup>th</sup>. Each night through June 30<sup>th</sup>, we gathered at the home of the Houston Texans. The stadium was set up as a large concert with a huge stage. The event opened with words and prayers from the Presiding Bishop of the ELCA (The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton) and the host of the gathering: the Gulf Coast Synod. A talented DJ kept us dancing in our seats, and musical acts, from hip hop to pop to contemporary Christian music artists, inspired us with their faith. Each evening speakers from a variety of backgrounds told us how Faith, Grace and Hope change everything. Rev. Tuhina Rasche shared her personal story about growing up Hindu yet finding herself meeting Jesus at a church in college. Rev. Will Starkweather shared his powerful story of recovering from committing self-harm as a teenager. He told how the Christian Church failed him, blaming him for his behavior. Yet it was a Lutheran community that accepted him, loved him and reminded him that he was always a beloved child of God. It was through the ELCA that he healed and heard God's call towards ordained ministry. Other speakers included Maria Rose Belding who started a non-profit steering 1.7 million pounds of food waste to people in need. The Rev. Nadia Bolz-Weber shared how uncool she was in high school and used parts of the baptismal

liturgy to silence the voice in our heads that says we are not worth love. New Jersey's own Jamie and Rebekah Brusselhoff shared their story as a family living with a daughter who is transgender. Rebekah, who is 11 years old, ended her words by saying that everyone in that stadium gave her hope. Several speakers shared their stories dealing with racism, addiction, eating disorders, and violence. Each speaker reminded all of us that the church has something to say about all aspects of life. In the congregational setting, we might avoid these kinds of difficult conversations. But most youth in high school know someone (or is that someone) who is experiencing addiction, self-harm, and other kinds of suffering. The Gathering is powerful because it shows how faith isn't separated from real life. Rather, faith is how our life becomes as real as it can possibly be. You can view all the speakers on the ELCA's YouTube channel at <u>YouTube.org/elca</u>.



Our first full day at the Gathering sent us into the Interactive Center. The Interactive Center is a ministry theme park. Activities at the Center included blood donation, habitat for humanity builds, obstacle courses, bounce houses, prayer centers, and ways to embody Bible stories. We visited the booths showcasing all 26 colleges and universities affiliated with denomination. our We entered an interactive area where we explored what it's like to be an unaccompanied minor immigrating to the US or being a Rohingya family escaping

genocide as refugees escaping to Bangladesh. We took our personal spiritual gift inventories, discovering what kind of character from Star Wars we might be. We also spent time discovering the many different kinds of Lutherans there are in the world and played life-sized Jenga with new friends from Maine. And during all of this, we tried to get selfies with people from all parts of the ELCA. We ended up with 36 states and you can view all of those on our Instagram at Instagram.com/clc4u.

Our second day at the gathering invited all of New Jersey to interact with each other in worship. Pastor spent than Marc more year а organizing this event with help from other leaders in our synod including Carla Ferreira, Rev. Chelsea Miller, Debora Porowski and Jason Reed. Over half a dozen churches with almost 50 youth and adults helped make the event happen. The term of the day was grace so we spent time living into



the grace God gives us each and every day. We met new people, wrote our own prayers and made a promise to pray for someone we didn't know before the day began. Over 400 people listened to Bishop Tracie Bartholomew preach the gospel through the story of Phillip and the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8). We then shared in communion, knowing that our time around the Lord's Table connects us with all of God's people. Even though we were in Houston, our communion united us with you and all the faithful in New Jersey.



Our final full day at the Gathering took us out into the streets of Houston to give back to the city that had welcomed us. We joined congregations from Kansas to enter a community that is looking to change. In the hot and humid Houston sun, we picked garbage alongside the road. We dug out old tires and unused fast food sauce packets and found thousands of tiny pieces of Styrofoam from Sonic that needed to be collected and thrown out. The work was hot and hard but is needed to help a part of Southeastern Houston become a more inviting place to live. Sometimes the

way we love our neighbor is by rolling up our sleeves, putting on sunscreen and digging up an old tire that has been there for years. Instead of saying, "not my problem," we serve by making it our issue and doing what we can to change it.

The ELCA Youth Gathering is a fun, channeling and exhausting experience. It's also incredibly faith-filled. All of us who attended this year can't wait for 2021 when the gathering will meet again in **Minneapolis from June 29<sup>th</sup> - July 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

## Being Community Together: Congregational Meetings

A big thank you to everyone who attended our congregational meeting on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We made an important decision in the handling of our finances, authorizing the additional use of some of our Restricted Investment funds. Our finances are structured so that most are invested in a conservative way. This change in our finances occurred roughly 20 years ago when the Parsonage (the pastor's home built by the church) was sold. This structuring of our finances does help increase the ways our money works for us, but it also means that when giving patterns or the market changes, the cash for operating expenses dries up. The congregation voted to authorize using some of our Restricted Investment funds to help with operating expenses. As you'll see in other places in this edition of the Messenger, we are also sharing with everyone when money needs to be used in this way. Noel, as Council President, affirmed at the meeting that the church Council will put together more robust financial plan in time for our annual meeting in February 2019. The Finance Committee and church Council took steps after the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to start preparing for such a plan.

At our last church Council meeting, the Council talked about ways to improve how our meetings are run. Some new items at our last meeting went very well: the presentations prior to Q&A and the increased use of microphones. However, as the meeting continued, how we talked to each other became difficult. We started to slip away from how these kinds of meetings are run. The Council talked about ways to help us be more effective, caring and faithful at all future congregational meetings. At our next one, we will take time at the start to remind everyone how these meetings are run, how (and to whom) all comments are addressed and how the amendment to the amendment process works. One of the great things about the CLC community is that we all are prayerfully engaged in discovering where Jesus wants us to go. This takes time, energy and spirited conversation. We can expect that we won't all be on the same page at the same time. But we can also expect us to love and care for each other so that we can keep being the people God is calling us to be.

#### An Opportunity to "Serve"

#### **Family Promise Dinner**

Our date for serving dinner to the homeless in Hackensack is September 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in helping to prepare the meal at Christ Lutheran that afternoon or serving in Hackensack late afternoon, please contact Meredith Drobinske, 201-385-3882 or mjcd913@aol.com or sign the poster in the Narthex.

#### A Thank You from Meals on Wheels, North Jersey

Dear Friends:

This will acknowledge, with our sincere and heartfelt thanks, your generous contribution made to Meals on Wheels of New Jersey.

This contribution will not only enable us to continue delivering nutritious meals to our seniors in need, it will help us move forward with our "More than a Meal" initiative which brings a social services component into our program. This program provides guidance to our clients by way of our own in-house social workers who are able to partner with community resources that can provide additional services to our most needy clients.

Meals on the Wheels is currently finishing a 2-year study connecting Meals on Wheels clients with in-house social workers. Learn more about the study by visiting: <u>https://www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org/theissue/research/more-than-ameal</u> and stay up to date with Meals on Wheels by visiting their website: <u>http://www.mealsonwheelsnorthjersey.org</u>. One half of a percent of every financial gift you place in the offering plate at Christ Lutheran Church goes to support Meals on Wheels in North Jersey.

## Habitat for Humanity: Bergen County -Seeking Volunteers

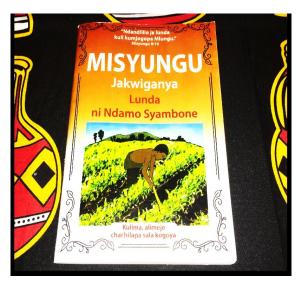
The Habitat ReStore needs your help! Located in Westwood (121 Carver Ave off Old Hook Road), the ReStore sells new and gently



used furniture, household goods and building materials to the public for a fraction of retail prices. All proceeds go to support Habitat for Humanity of Bergen County in the building of affordable housing in our area. In March, the ReStore raised over \$34,000 in revenue! The business is going well but needs more volunteers. Visit <u>https://www.bergenrestore.org/</u> to learn more about the ReStore and <u>https://habitatbergen.volunteermatrix.com/</u> to volunteer!

## An Update from Debbie Kruegle: Missionary in Africa!

In mid-April I traveled to Oaxaca, Mexico for a workshop in computer software that will help me as I analyze certain features of Chiyao and apply that to the translation work. It was good to see colleagues and friends there and to get some training that is more difficult to access where I'm located in Africa (Eating real tacos, tlayudas and enchiladas wasn't so bad either!). I'm visiting with my parents in Florida now and preparing for another linguistics workshop in June/July at an SIL school in Canada. I realize that as I travel like this and have these opportunities, many of you are partnering with me to make that happen. THANK YOU for your partnership. It's so valuable.



And thank you for praying for completion of a children's book the team in Malawi has been working on, named Proverbs Which Teach Wisdom and Good Behavior. On May 8, Yao societal leaders governing almost 2 million people in Malawi and Mozambique gathered for the launch of the book along with 2 District Commissioners (similar to state governors) and a member of the Malawi President's cabinet, the Minister of Education, Science and Technology.

The Yao leaders are incredibly excited about the transformation they expect God to make in their society through this book. The children's book began by request of the chiefs, and they have been involved throughout the whole process. The first two thirds of the book consists of Scriptures from the Bible. The last third contains some of their traditional instructions for their children and some of their proverbs.

Some of the highest level Yao chiefs expounded portions of God's word during the meeting on May 8. Two TV stations, three radio stations and one newspaper were present and broadcast lengthy reports of the events. A Yao youth read Psalm 1 in Chiyao which thrilled the press and the audience. From all reports the books are selling quickly and are being received well by the Yao.

To partner with Debbie's ministry, visit <u>https://www.wycliffe.org/partner/kruegle.</u>

## What Books are You Reading This Summer? Here's a Few that Caught our Eye!

Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner and Saint By Nadia Bolz-Weber

Rev. Nadia Bolz-Weber spoke at this year's ELCA Youth Gathering and that made us want to revisit her first memoir. The following is from the publisher: Using life stories-from living in a hopeful-but-haggard commune of slackers to surviving the wobbly chairs and war stories of a group for recovering alcoholics, from her unusual but undeniable spiritual calling to pastoring a notorious con artist-Nadia uses stunning narrative and poignant honesty to portray a woman who is both deeply faithful and deeply flawed, giving hope to the rest of us along the way. We have a copy of this book in our church library.

#### **Fly Girls: How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and Made Aviation History** By Keith O'Brien

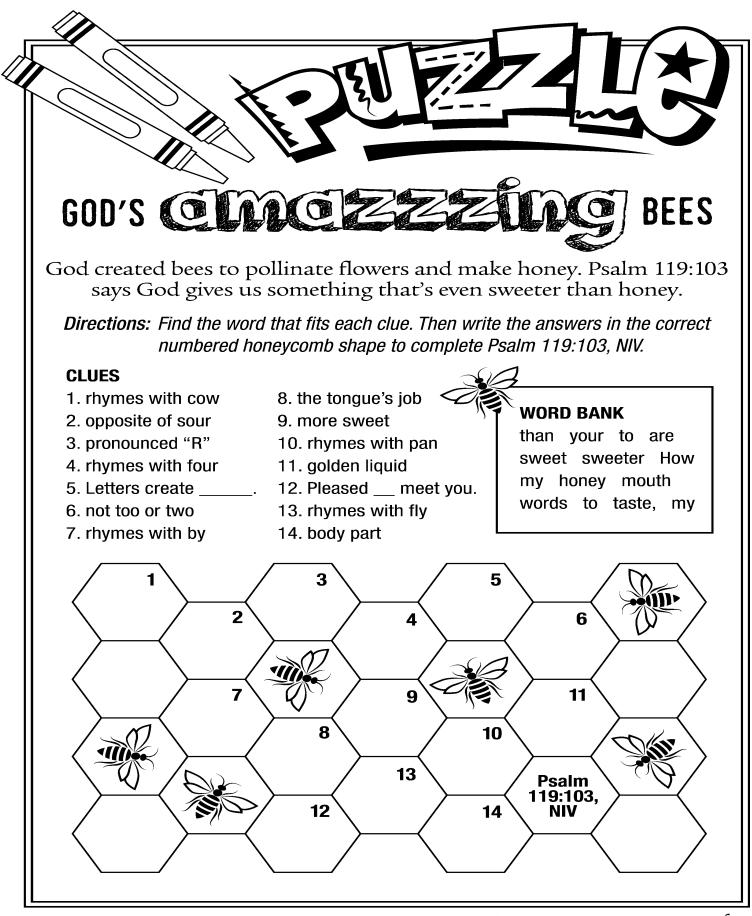
This new book is showing up in several summer reading lists. The book tells the story of five women (Florence Klingensmith, Ruth Elder, Amelia Earhart, Ruth Nichols, and Louise Thaden) who, together, fought for the chance to race against men in airplanes in 1936. This is from the publisher: Between the world wars, no sport was more popular, or more dangerous, than airplane racing. Thousands of fans flocked to multi-day events, and cities vied with one another to host them. The pilots themselves were hailed as dashing heroes who cheerfully stared death in the face. Well, the men were hailed. Female pilots were more often ridiculed than praised for what the press portrayed as silly efforts to horn in on a manly, and deadly, pursuit. Fly Girls recounts how a cadre of women banded together to break the original glass ceiling: the entrenched prejudice that conspired to keep them out of the sky.

#### Every Color By Erin Eitter Kono

From the publisher: In this picture book, Bear longs to see color . . . but everything around him on the North Pole is white, white, white. When a seagull brings a gift from a little girl, Bear falls in love with the colors in her painting, but it's not enough. So the girl sets off in her boat to take Bear on an adventure and help him see the colors up close. The pair visits colorful landmarks around the world, from the windmills of Holland to the Egyptian pyramids to New York's Statue of Liberty. And by the time they return to Bear's polar home, Bear has learned to see color reflected all around him—especially the colors of the Northern Lights, which were there all along.

Don't forget! If you purchase from Amazon, be sure to use <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and set the charity you support as Christ Lutheran Church Woodcliff Lake (you'll need to search a bit to find it). .5% of your purchase will go to support the ministries at CLC.

2018	July & August						
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