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## **CELC Newsletter**

Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church Church Website: www.celcstanley.com

#### Pastor's Message

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth—The blessed Trinity.

Saint is an English word drawn from the Lain adjective, sanctus, (from the Greek, hagios—both meaning "holy"). In the Scripture, the term "saint" is not limited to those who have already entered into glory through the gate of the grave. The term "saint" rather refers to all those who are in Christ, regardless of how much their lives are still in need of improvement. And so the Apostle Paul addresses the Christians in Corinth as "saints", even though he knew very well just how far away from perfection they were.

Therefore, when we consider the one holy Church we must take into account not only the immense cloud of witnesses surrounding the throne in heaven, but also those of us who are still far away from what we will one day finally be. We may revere and lift up as exemplary, particular saints who are of the Church in heaven, but their holiness is of the same kind as the holiness that all the Body of Christ shares, because it is from the same Head. So then, a few things about holiness.

First, it's helpful to realize that holiness or sanctity is a participation. One can choose not to participate in the life of Jesus' Church. According to Scripture, holiness (or "saintliness") is a participation in the life of God. So the beginning of holiness is not human ambition, but rather God Himself. Because of this, holiness is not merely moral progress in this life. I have met many moral pagans, and you likely have too. Holiness rather has to do with what and who we are as new creatures born again in the Son of God. It's not "a lifestyle" so much as it is "a life".

So, if holiness is "a life" (and it is) then it is first of all a gift given to us from God. It is born from our coming into contact with the holy things of God-- Baptism, Holy Communion, Holy Scripture, the grace of Repentance and so on. So many things that are given to us are holy. When we partake in them one of two things can happen: We either become holier by coming into contact with them, or we defile them by touching them. For more on this read Matthew 7.6 keeping in mind what happened when something came into contact with an unclean animal—that is, it was defiled.

Secondly, holiness has the characteristics of an atmosphere. Wherever we go, it goes with us. It was for this reason that Paul addresses the Colossian Church in this way: *To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are in Colossae.*" Here the Apostle twice uses the preposition "in". The holy brethren are said to be simultaneously "in Christ" <u>AND</u> "in the city of Colossae". So this is to say that their being "in Christ" is to determine and dictate *how they are to be* in Colossae. The fact that they are in Christ determines how they are to act and behave in the city. In the same way, the fact that we are *in* Christ (and THAT always first!) is to determine how we are to operate in the places where God in his wisdom has placed us.

The city of Colossae is sanctified in a way by the Christian's presence in it (as all cities are by the presence of the Christian community). By them God's own Presence is assured in the places where they are. (Matthew 28.20) The city is also the dwelling place and home for the holy and faithful people who are in Christ. And because of this fact, the city became the immediate setting of their holiness and fidelity. It's

the setting where they speak the truth in love, it's the environment of their mission, their courage, endurance, service, commitment and witness. What Christians are in the world is analogous to what the soul is in the body. As the soul is dispersed through all the members of the body, so Christians are scattered throughout all the cities of the world.

Lastly, sanctity is not optional. It is what naturally flows from God's justifying act, by which the Father makes us his children. *Pursue peace with all men, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord*. (Hebrews 12.14) This could not have been said more clearly--without holiness we will not see the Lord. Holiness and growth in it is not something extra that we can just do away with. We are told by the Word of God to "pursue" it. And even though holiness is first a gift, it requires a certain measure of striving and assent on our part. Our Lutheran Confessions call this co-operation with the Holy Spirit. For more reading on this check out the Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, On Free Will or Human Powers, paragraph 65.

So the command of our merciful Shepherd is: "Pursue holiness". So what then do we do? Surrounded by this great cloud of saints, we are to lay aside every sin that so easily slays and run with endurance the race which God has set before us. It's often the case that we know exactly what the pursuit of holiness requires of us. And so our problem isn't normally one of ignorance, but rather spiritual laziness—a softness or flabbiness of the will, ultimately sloth. This may be precisely the reason why the Bible uses active, athletic words to speak of this life-long pursuit for holiness. So then, let us <a href="run">run</a>, <a href="fight">fight</a>, <a href="strive">strive</a>, <a href="discipline">discipline</a> and <a href="train">train</a> ourselves in holiness, not just for the sake of the witness we give to the world, but also that we might draw closer to the One from whom all love flows; who has made us holy <a href="mailto:in">in</a> his Son, Jesus.

Your servant-brother. +Pastor Frye

## Memorial Day Service



CELC members who have served our country (missing a few in picture), but Thank You all for the years given to keep America Free.



### Prayer Concerns

Immediate Care Concerns: Judy Cloninger, Nancy Olls, Linda Cloninger, Hubert Abernathy,

Billups, Tyree Bost, Lindy Hawley, Christine Wallace, Gaynelle Moore,

Pearl Summey, Libby Michael, Jimmy Harrison, Richard Smith,

Susan Wyatt

Grieving: The Eddie Wyatt Family, Lisa Caudle (Lisa's Father)

Home-bound Members: Gaynelle Moore, Phyllis Hawley, Pearl Summey, Lindy Hawley

Edna Lineberger is in Stanley Total Living Center (502 B), Christine Members in Nursing Homes

Wallace is at Huntersville Health & Rehabilitation Ctr.,13835 Boren

St. Huntersville, Sarah Lewis is at Carillon Cramer Mountain

(Room C-2). Ruth Cloninger is at Carillon in Lincolnton

#### Friends and Relatives:

Everette Lineberger	Jewel West	Cindy Turry	<b>Bob Stewart</b>	Chris Davidson
Ann Lineberger	Eddie Rhyne	Jennifer Champange	Gail Conner	Harry Murphy
Karen Scrivani	Joe Canipe	Tom Hodge	Steve McAlister	Eleanor Flowers
Ron Ritchie	Tom Olls	Wanda Murphy	Amy Blythe	Robert Caskaddon
Bob Hilton	Rod Rudisill			

#### June Birthday's

June Birthday's		12 Lisa Cloninger		
2	Ryan Clark	15 Michael Dukes		
6	Caroline Hawkins	16 Pat McAlister		
6	Neal Ritchie	17 Buck Helms		
7	Mack Cloninger	23 Craig Poarch		
8	Brenda Cloninger	24 Lindy Hawley		
9	Jameson Bodenheimer			

#### Anniversary

19 Andrew & Nancy Olls 20 Bill & Doris Cope

#### Baptism Anniversary

- 1 Jameson Bodenheimer
- 3 Sarah Lewis
- 5 Ruth Ridge
- 18 Mary Robinson
- 20 Barbara Benedict
- 30 Mack Cloninger

#### Flowers for the Altar

If you are planning to get flowers for the altar the procedure is to contact a florist and arrange to have them delivered. You are responsible for paying the florist directly. If you use Stanley Florist, Robert has access to putting them in the church.

Also, the council approved for the church to provide the Altar flowers for funerals unless the family request to provide them or if they want to have special flower arrangements.



Grandfather, Craig Porch with a precious little patriotic dressed granddaughter, Tenley Carpenter

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Toilet Tissue Drive

The Women of the Church are starting a toilet paper drive for the food pantry. Please bring toilet tissue and put on the table in the memorial corridor.

# <u>Ladies Evening Together -- Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 -- 5:15 PM</u> <u>Parade of Tables/Hee Haw Entertainment</u> <u>Stanley Pentecostal Church -- Church Benefit</u>

A fun filled evening with a <u>meal</u> and many laughs are waiting for us to enjoy at a local church right here in Stanley. This is a fundraiser to help the Pentecostal Church purchase lighting for their Easter Program (I know alot of you have attended that program before). Great way to be together and help out a very good cause. The doors to the building open at 5:15pm and meal at 6pm. The Hee Haw Program will be a blast too. We need to reserve our tickets/table now -- <u>tickets are \$25.00 each</u>. Please let Mary or Kathey know this next week. Come join us! Plan on having a belly full of good food and lots of laughs. You will laugh more than normal because the Hee Haw characters are people you know!

Men you are welcome too!

#### Rescheduled Date

Prime Timers Event --- Sunday --- JUNE 24, 2018

Fun and Pizza

Leaving CELC at 12:15 pm

Lunch and Sunday afternoon together at the old homeplace in Statesville.

There will be one glorious sound going on with some old friends.

Make it your way Pizza! My brother Ernie will cook it in his outside brick oven!

Lorraine, my sister-n-law will have the crust ready and we will take everything for the salad bar ... this is going to be good! Delicious desserts too! Be thinking on what you want to bring and I'll have a sign-up list soon. Be sure and wear outdoor clothes and bring your lawn chair for a great time. Sign-up now so we can plan on transportation and food just let Mary or Kathey know asap!

### Summer Special Time at Operation Christmas Child Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 --- 9am to 12pm

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to be a part of the "Good News of Jesus Christ" for boys and girls around the world.

We will help build-a-shoebox-online gifts for distribution!

Three hours of valuable time and with your church members too!

We will leave CELC at 7:45am and return around 3:00pm.

Wear comfortable shoes and clothes ... bring a snack too!

Sign-up with Kathey or Mary --- we have eight places reserved for us.

# 2018 Graduates

### **Emma Human**

Emma Human is the daughter of Jay & Crystyl Human and the granddaughter of Leonard and Loretta Lewis. Emma will be graduating East Gaston and plans to attend Gaston College working towards her nursing degree. She will then transfer and finish with a bachelors degree at either Gardner Webb, UNCC or Lenoir-Rhyne. Her plans are to work in Labor and Delivery and eventually go back to get her master's degree.



## Jay Human

With the completion of my Doctor of Education degree and my upcoming retirement from the Gaston County Police Department, I plan to continue my work in education. I have been an Instructor at Gaston College in the degree program as well at the Basic Law Enforcement Training program since 2008. I am excited to expand those opportunities there, in addition to exploring the possibility of also teaching at some of the local colleges and universities. I believe that my

degree in education and the over twenty-eight years of experience in law enforcement that I have to draw from, provide me with the unique opportunity to better prepare our next generation of public safety.







**Graduation Sunday** 

### Children and Grandchildren of our members.



Emily Page Faulkenberry is the daughter of Leigh Anne Faulkenberry and granddaughter of Bud and Judy Abernathy. Emily graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BA in Elementary Education on April 28.

Emily was highly motivated throughout her four years at North Greenville. She maintained a 3.9 GPA and spent a great amount of time serving her community. Emily served as a Resident Coordinator for two years where she served the needs of sixty residents. She was also the president of Beta Delta Education Honors Society. In this capacity, she conducted meetings, seminars, and supervised service

projects. Emily also spent three summers working at Camp Longridge as a counselor. Her responsibilities were teaching and leading students, with two summers serving as an intern supervisor and head lifeguard. In her free time she loved to play intramural sports as well as hangout with friend. During her senior year she student taught in a 5th grade ELA class and assured her love and passion for teaching and making a difference in student's lives. Emily plans to pursue

her Masters in Special Education.

Zachary Sherrill Drury (Zach) is the grandson of Bud & Judy Abernathy and son of Chad and Jennifer Drury. Zach will graduate from East Gaston High School on June 9, 2018. Zach was recipient of the Microsoft IT B-Excel/Access Award and also obtained GOLD on AC work keys.

Zach is an avid hunter. He enjoys turkey and deer hunting. Zach is a master at turkey calling. He has a wide collection of turkey calls.

Zach plans to attend Gaston College. He is interested in Drafting.



Megan Ann Yarbro is the granddaughter of Rachel Walker. Megan graduated from Gaston College on May 3<sup>rd</sup> with an Associate's degree in health and fitness science. Megan also received the Outstanding grade award and the Academic Achievement Award. Megan will be going to Gaston College to get her Bachelor's degree in nursing.

Brett Holland, son of Lisa Costner and Kevin Holland and the grandson of Richard and Bitsy Medlin graduated on May 11, from the Belk College of Business at UNCC with a bachelor's degree in organizational business and a minor in economics. He is currently working part time for NOS in marketing as a brand ambassador.

Garrett Oakes is the grandson of Linda Cloninger and son of Robbie & Carla Oakes. Garrett graduated from UNCC with a degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice.

#### Note from the Church Council President

#### DO IT

don't cross oceans for people who wouldn't cross a puddle for you.

No, do it. Do cross oceans for people. Love people, all people. No conditions attached, no wondering whether or not they're worthy. Cross oceans, climb mountains. Life and love isn't about what you gain, it's about what you give.

Blessing to All, Judy Abernathy Council President



The Family of Marvin Edwin "Eddie" Wyatt Jr. acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

The Family would like to express our sincere gratitude for all the prayers, cards & support through the years. We also want to say Thank you for the delicious supper prepared for us.

This means more to us than you will ever know.

We Love You!

The Wyatt Family

#### CHRIST'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### Called Congregational Meeting

May 6, 2018

#### Minutes of Meeting

<u>Call to Order:</u> At the conclusion of the Sunday morning worship service on May 6, 2018, Judy Abernathy, as President of Church Council, called a special congregational meeting to order.

<u>Purpose of Meeting:</u> The purpose of the meeting was to have the congregation discuss the options for the new floor covering for the Family Life Center and to have a congregational vote on their choice of floor coverings. Pastor Frye addressed the congregation and told us to remember that the floor covering is not an eternal issue. He wants us to put it in perspective and understand that it is a <u>floor.</u> Judy Abernathy addressed the congregation and thanked the members of Council and the Property Committee for all the time they have spent researching the different possibilities for the floor covering. She asked that the congregation consider extra funds that may be needed, depending on the choice of floors. She also noted that fundraisers may be necessary to meet our goal. She then opened the floor for questions from the congregation.

**Motion:** After several questions from the congregation, a motion was made to have the vote. The motion was seconded and the vote was taken.

<u>Action by Congregation:</u> Ballots were handed out by the ushers and the congregation cast their votes for the new floor for the Family Life Center. The ballots were collected by the ushers and the vote was counted by Judy Ray and Richard Medlin.

Results of Vote: Floor "A", metallic epoxy, received 37 votes. Floor "B", the Strata floor, received 24 votes.

Other Business: None

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion was made to adjourn the congregational meeting. The motion was seconded by Ann Lineberger. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph L. Keefer, Council Secretary

## Family Life Center Fund Raiser

Work has begun on the floor in the FLC. Approximate cost of the floor is \$31,000. Fund raising is underway and we hope to raise enough money to pay for this project by Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018 which is homecoming.

Your support and contributions are very much appreciated.

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING April 8, 2018 MINUTES OF MEETING

**Devotions:** Judy Abernathy opened the meeting with a devotional reading and prayer.

#### Roll call and action on excuses for absence:

**Present:** Pastor Frye, Judy Abernathy, Michael Dukes, Tommy Hedrick, Prissy Helms, Crystyl Human, Joe Keefer, Leonard Lewis, Pat McAlister, Richard Medlin, Judy Ray, Brian Robinson, and Tonya Stone **Absent:** Nancy Olls, Laura Olls

#### Minutes of last meeting:

1) The minutes of the March 11, 2018, Council meeting were approved with one correction. Tonya made a motion to accept the minutes. Pat seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### Reception of petitions and communications and new business:

- 1) There is a request to start a designated fund for the cemetery. It will be called The Cemetery Ancestry Fund. If approved, the congregation would be asked to donate by way of the designated fund. The request was tabled until next Council meeting.
- 2) There is also a request to move the playground equipment. Property committee will look into it and Council will vote on the request at the next Council meeting.
- **3)** There is a request for \$500.00 for new kitchen equipment. Apparently, some items have left and not come back. Items that need to be replaced include four 4-inch pans, four 2-inch pans, four lids, knives, large spoons, measuring spoons, and measuring cups. Teresa Davis will purchase necessary replacements at a kitchen supply store in Charlotte. Brian made a motion to get the new supplies, Tonya 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion passed.
- **4)** Jay Human has requested use of the educational building. He teaches a Basic Law Enforcement Training class for police officers and will use it to help train recruits. It would be used 3 times throughout the year. This was unanimously approved by Council.
- 5) There is a request from Lois to use the sanctuary for a piano recital with Lou Price. This would also include use of the Education Building for a post-recital reception. We ask that they check with Julie to prevent any scheduling conflicts. A Facility Use Guideline must be filled out. This request was approved by Council.

  Report of the Pastor: Pastor Frye brought the following matters to Council for discussion and /or informational purposes.
- 1) Report of pastoral activities for the month of March, 2018. Pastor Frye presided over the Divine Service 6 times, presided over 3 midweek Vesper services, and presided over 4 Confession and Absolution services. He also preached at the United Churches Palm Sunday worship service at Community Pentecostal. He had 7 pastoral contacts, 6 meetings, Pericope study 3 times, and attended *what he thought* was "An Evening South of the Border" for a real fun night.
- 2) Regarding the Communion Set, Pastor Frye reports that a sight unseen estimate to strip, buff and silver plate our 5 Communion trays is \$1350.00. Insurance will be approximately \$120.00. Shipping will cost \$50.00. Total cost would be about \$1,520.00. They cannot give us a firm quote until they have them in-house. Turn-around time for this service would be 4-6 weeks. The cost of replacing our 5 trays with top cover and base from both Concordia and Almy is exactly the same at \$2,622.10. Funds are available specifically for this purpose. After discussion, Prissy made a motion to purchase new trays, covers, and base. Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion passed. Pastor Frye was very happy with this decision.
  - 3) Pastor Frye also reports that Midweek Bible Study will resume again on April 18, 2018.
- **4)** Pastor Frye brought to our attention that we need to elect a lay delegate for the NALC Carolinas Convocation. We need delegates to represent our church. Pastor Frye will be our pastoral delegate. Leonard Lewis will serve as our lay delegate. The convocation will be held May 18-19, 2018 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Troutman, NC.

#### **Reports by General and Capital Fund Treasurers:**

- 1) Michael presented the March, 2018 financial report for the General Fund to Council members for review and discussion. He also presented the Designated Funds report for March, 2018.
- 2) Crystyl presented the Capital Fund report to Council members for review and discussion. There were no disbursements in March, 2018.

3) Crystyl brought to our attention that there is \$2,500.00 in the Columbarium Fund. She would like to "undesignate" these funds and use the money for a more immediate need. The cost of a columbarium is prohibitive and there is no need.

#### **Reports of Standing Committees:**

Archives/Communications: No Report, Christian Education: No Report, Finance/Stewardship: No Report, Social Ministry: No Report, Stewardship: No Report, Worship and Music: No Report, Youth: No Report

#### **Endowment:**

1) The Endowment Committee met on March 20, 2018. We met with our Thrivent advisor to discuss our investments. We also had 2 requests for funds. We allotted funds for Lois for 2 music programs and for Rebekah Olls to attend music week at UNC Greensboro.

#### **Internal Ministry**: Prissy reports that:

1) Graduation recognition will be in late May/early June for 2018 graduates.

Mutual Ministry: Pat reports that a meeting will be held Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

#### **Property Committee: Brian reports that:**

- 1) The "critter" above the choir room was a young raccoon. He has been trapped and relocated.
- 2) Signs will be posted inside the church and other areas to remind everyone to keep doors closed for energy efficiency.
- 3) Brian has recommended that all pilot lights be turned off when not in use. He will check to see if that is something that can be done safely and easily.
- 4) The old flooring has been removed from the FLC. It is ready for the new floor.

#### **Report of Special Committees:**

- 1) The Cemetery Committee progress notes were presented to Council for review and discussion. There will be a **cemetery work day on April 28, 2018** from 8:00am to 12:00pm. There was a discussion regarding the cost of Jason, who has been teaching us how to repair and maintain the head stones. The cost is \$1200.00 per weekend. Richard feels that we are able to do the work and train others to help. We can then use the money toward the cemetery fund. April 28 will be the third weekend with Jason. United Churches of Stanley will pay Jason's fee for that weekend.
- 2) The Website Committee progress notes were presented to Council for review and discussion. Please check out our new website. Thanks to Bob Mahovsky, Pastor Frye, Julie Bodenheimer, Susan Hawkins, Terri Hedrick, and Crystyl Human for all their help!

#### Other Reports: Safety and Security Committee

- 1) The video doorbell will be ordered through the county.
- 2) Three first aid kits have been ordered.
- 3) Leonard presented information on a six-channel security camera system. It is the Lorax system.

The cost is 650.00 and it has a 5-year warranty. It also has 1.0 TB of memory. The cameras are wireless with rechargeable batteries. The batteries last 2 months before recharging is necessary. Council understands that security cameras are a necessary part of our recommended security improvements. Richard made a motion to purchase the Lorax camera system. Leonard  $2^{nd}$ . The motion carries.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1) Family Life Center Floor: The FLC flooring has been removed. The joints are symmetrical, but two cracks need to be addressed. We have received a lower quote from the Strata Floor representative. The original cost was \$46,300.00; the reduced price is \$43,075.00. All flooring possibilities were discussed by Council. After our discussion, Council voted to choose the Epoxy floor sealant as the best option for the Family Life Center. Judy will write a letter to explain our choice to the congregation before a congregational vote. A motion was made to do this by Tonya, Leonard 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **New 2017 Council Business:**

- 1) David and Leonard will open and close the church in May, 2018. Thanks, David and Leonard!
- 2) Council would like to recognize Bud for cutting the grass around the walking track.

#### Adjournment:

- 1) The next council meeting will be May 20, 2018, at 6:00 PM. Prissy will lead devotions.
- 2) The meeting was adjourned following The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Joseph L. Keefer, Secretary

#### ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES WITH RELATIVES IN THE STANLEY

**<u>CEMETERY!</u>** We are planning a new program of remembrance for this Memorial Day and every Memorial Day henceforth. Let us call your attention to a very important question and some very important information.

#### WHO IS TAKING CARE OF YOUR ANCESTOR'S CEMETERY PLOT?

Many years ago when your ancestors, great ancestors, great great ancestors passed away there was a belief that the loved ones would never leave them and would take care of the burial site. So a perpetual care fund was never created because it was felt there was no need for it.

For a long time, family members and friends did take care of the grave sites of those they loved and respected. Sadly, for those in the cemetery as our society became more mobile some people moved away, or other family issues came about, therefore the burial sites were left unattended.

For the last few decades the Town of Stanley was the primary organization to maintain the grounds in the historic Stanley Cemetery. In the year 2017 that came to an end. The Town of Stanley elected to cease all care for the Stanley Cemetery. They said it is up to those who own the land to do the maintenance. Denying the reality that those who are buried in the cemetery own the land in which they are buried.

#### So, who now will care for those who went before us?

A new non-profit private charity, led by people like you who have relatives buried in the Stanley Cemetery, is trying to step up to show love and respect for our ancestors. But this small group cannot do it alone. Your financial help is needed if the STANLEY CEMETERY ANCESTRY FUND is going to be able to take on this important and very urgent responsibility.

Please communicate this important work to all your family members so that they may also choose to show love and respect for their relatives by supporting the nonprofit group that will fund the work to maintain the Stanley Cemetery

Please read the following donation information page, enter the requested information and either place it in the offering plate or mail it to The Stanley Cemetery Ancestry Fund, at this church address.

We are requesting family members and friends of those buried in the Stanley Cemetery honor and respect their friends and relatives through new designated fund annual donations into the Stanley Cemetery Ancestry Fund in the months of April and May (before Memorial Day). These funds are critical for us to begin maintaining the Stanley Cemetery. Without these donations the cemetery maintenance will have no operating funds and sadly become overgrown, leaving us susceptible to receiving a nuisance citation from the Town of Stanley

#### What does it cost to maintain a double cemetery plot?

Based on a similar existing program in Donalsonville, Georgia, that has been acting as a perpetual care fund for over 25 years, the cost of maintaining a plot for two individuals has been calculated to cost \$75.00 per year. Larger plots take more time to maintain and cost more. A family plot for 4 would cost \$150.00 per year. To create reserves and exist as a perpetual care fund, the Donalsonville program received multi-thousand-dollar donations from some donor's bequeaths, some from qualified charitable donations (that reduce taxable income), and just generally large donations from those who saw the need and accepted the moral responsibility to build a perpetual care fund. The Town of Stanley said it cost them \$13,000.00 per year to maintain the cemetery. So your generosity is greatly needed.

#### Can these donations come from general fund contributions?

No. Please remember that we are asking that these contributions be a new additional responsibility donation for each person/family, and donations into the Church general offering not be affected by the funding of this new designated fund. The administration and oversight of the Stanley Cemetery Ancestry Fund will evolve into a group separate from our church and its administration will contract for mowing the low growing vegetation and pay expenses for the cemetery maintenance with the oversight of its own administration and board of directors. This new group will take some time to process the necessary N.C. State forms to become a not-for-profit corporation and our church is assisting in collecting donations so that maintenance crews can be contracted and paid as soon as possible to avoid the cemetery becoming overgrown with tall grass and weeds.

For more information, or to volunteer your time and talent, you may contact one of the individuals listed below (all of whom are working to solve this problem):

Pastor Frye, Judy Abernathy, or Bob Mahovsky

Please tear off the form below and place it in your regular offering envelope, or in a generic offering envelope available in each pew where you sit in the church. Please remember to write "For Ancestry Fund" on your check. Donations may also be mailed to: The Stanley Cemetery Ancestry Fund, c/o T. Deese, Treasurer, P.O. Box 772, Stanley, NC 28164.

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Street Address	City	Zip	

## June 2018

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3 Sunday School 9:30am The Divine Service 10:30am	4	5	6 Bible Study 5:30am Choir Practice 7:00pm	7 Food Pantry 11am-12:30pm  Service of Confession & Absolution 12:30- 1:30pm	8	9
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10:30am Council Meeting 6pm			7:00pm	& Absolution 12:30- 1:30pm		
17 Sunday School 9:30am	18	19	20 Bible Study 5:30am	21 Food Pantry 11am-12:30pm Service of Confession	22	23
The Divine Service 10:30am			Choir Practice 7:00pm	& Absolution 12:30- 1:30pm		
24 Sunday School 9:30am The Divine Service	25	26 Operation Christmas Child	27 Bible Study 5:30am	28 Food Pantry 11am-12:30pm	29	30
10:30am Prime Timer Pizza Party leave at 12:15pm from CELC		Summer Event from 9am- 12noon	Choir Practice 7:00pm	Service of Confession & Absolution 12:30- 1:30pm		



## Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church

203 S. Main St. Stanley, NC 28164

## CELC Newsletter June 2018



Pastor: Rev. Wesley R. Frye, STS

Administrative Assistant: Julie Bodenheimer

Facilities: Rick Chapman

#### Schedule: Sunday

9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service

#### Wednesday

5:30pm Bible Study 7:00pm Choir Practice

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday—Friday 8:30am until 1:00pm