



February 2021

CELC Newsletter

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

Pastor's Message

Brethren of the Lord Jesus,

Pictures of lines of cars fill our news streams. Vaccines are rolling out, and I'm starting to hear from many of you about your soon to be appointments, or the receiving of your first and even second doses of the Covid-19 vaccine. For this I am thankful. In the news stream, I hear a great deal about the shortage of vaccines and therefore the lack of appointments to receive one. I hear much less, however, of the people in our society who are physically unable to make it to appointments—people who have had their licenses revoked, people who are homebound or can't drive for any number of reasons. On top of it, many of these same people may find it difficult to navigate through websites and schedule an appointment online. I suspect there are a great number of these people who are being forgotten and have little or nobody to care for them.

Worship During Lent

Ash Wednesday - 7:00 February 17
Lenten Vespers - 7:00 February 24
Lenten Vespers - 7:00 March 3
Lenten Vespers - 7:00 March 10
Lenten Vespers - 7:00 March 17
Lenten Vespers - 7:00 March 24
Maundy Thursday - 7:00 April 1
Good Friday - 7:00 April 2
The Resurrection of Our Lord - April 4

If you know of someone who might be in this sort of situation—inside of our church family or outside-- please let me know. I believe there are people all around us who need help but don't know where to ask for it. We can be the people they ask. We can be the people who make sure they get signed up for and make it to their appointments. If you know of someone like this, either give me their contact information, or give them mine.

The situation above as well as the situation we've been living in for just about a year now, is a poignant reminder to us that in this life, we are surrounded by the last enemy, Death at every turn. In the midst of a global pandemic we may feel like

we don't particularly need to hear the ever-looming words, "*Remember, O man, that you are dust and to dust you shall return.*" And yet, even now, we do. We need to hear them especially now! We need to hear them because one of the three functions of the Law of God is to drive us to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. And how greatly do we need precisely what the Gospel delivers—Life Himself!

So come Ash Wednesday (February 17) and hear the Law of God given to us, that it may direct our hearts to Jesus the Savior of men.

Your brother in Jesus, Pastor Frye+

Prayer Requests:

Reminder: People's names will be rotated off of the Prayer List upon request or after 30 days. If you know of someone who needs to remain on the prayer list for longer than 30 days, and have their permission to do so, please let the church office know.

Immediate Care Concerns: Eleanor Abernathy

Home-bound Members: Gaynelle Moore is her home and Eleanor Abernathy is her home.
Sherry Tindall is at her sister's Tonya Rutledge

Friends and Relatives: Betty Jones, Jack Wilson, Sherry Tindall, Ray McNeely, Faye Harper, Harry & Wanda Murphy, Rick Martin, Luther Murphy, Everett Lineberger, Donnie Miskelly, Jim Bumgardner, Devoe Casagrande, Betty Coulter, Andy Abernathy, Crystal White, Terry Throneburg, Tony Carroll, Buddy Hodge, Mickey Lineberger

February's Birthday's

1 Danielle Clippard	26 Ann Harrison
2 Ron Abernathy	27 Sally Mahovsky
5 Janice Clark	27 Ruth Ridge
5 Michael Olls	27 Susan Wyatt
5 Rebekah Olls	
19 Emma Powell	

February's Anniversary's

15 Leonard & Loretta Lewis

Baptism Anniversary

2 Amelia Clark
2 Whitney Clark
2 Ansley Spears
10 Wesley Clark
12 Brian Robinson
16 Kelli Costner
24 Ann Lineberger
24 Richard Smith

Dear Christ's Church Family,

Thank you for all your support & love for my family & me during the last months. We are so fortunate to have folks as you are doing such kind things for us. Your prayers, visits, cards, food and etc... are very much appreciated by all of us. Please continue to pray for us in the days ahead. Hope to be in the church before too long.

May Gods blessings be with each of you!

In Love,
Eleanor R. Abernathy

Blessing of the Home in (or around) the season of Epiphany...

...has long been a custom in the Christian Tradition. If you would like for the Pastor to come and bless your home give him a call to set up a time.



Cemetery Workday

Volunteers are needed to assist in the removal of fallen leaves and tree limbs in the historic Stanley Cemetery.

Bring your leaf blower and/or leaf rake.

Date: Saturday, February 13, 2021, if rained out then Feb 20

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

For more information call:

Bob Mahovsky, 704-678-6643

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING October 11th, 2020 MINUTES OF MEETING

Call to Order: President Jay Human called the meeting to order.

Devotions: Buck opened the meeting with a devotion.

Roll call and action on excuses for absence:

Present: Jay Human, Crystyl Human, Emma Human, Pastor Frye, Bob Mahovsky, Judy Abernathy, Buddy Abernathy, Tonya Stone, Leonard Lewis, Buck Helms, Richard Medlin, Gabe Frye

Absent: Janice Clark, Michael Dukes, Tommy Hedrick

Minutes of last meeting:

1. Judy made the motion to approve the minutes with the one correction regarding the Auto Allowance. Crystyl seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Report of the Pastor:

Pastor Frye brought the following matters to the Council for discussion and/or informational purposes.

- 4 Divine Services
- Officiated the funeral of John Wallace
- 21 phone calls
- 5 meetings
- Pastor Frye read the letter to the council that will be sent to the Stanley Police Department regarding their body cams.
- The pastor informed the council that the Girl Scouts are partnering with the Stanley Cemetery Ancestry Fund this year in its Wreaths Across America initiative to honor fallen veterans. We were asked if they could use our Family Life Center to store their wreaths overnight.
- Starting weekly bible study again on Wednesday, November 4th at 6 o'clock.
- Pastor asked if anyone had found a use for the Carolinas Mission District funds yet.
- The pastor wanted to know if the council had upheld their request to call 2 fellow members to check in on them.

Reports by General and Capital Fund Treasurers:

Michael: Michael gave the Designated Funds report and Deposit Summary for September 2020. Michael informed us that we paid our quarterly insurance in September.

Crystyl: Crystyl gave the Capital Fund Report for September 2020.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Archives/Communications: Dehumidifier has been installed. Richard said it is working well.

Endowment: Janice sent in her report regarding the deadline for the scholarship fund. They only got one applicant, they did reach out to a few more people but didn't hear anything back.

Finance: Tommy presented the updated proposed 2021 budget. Bob made the motion that we change "Auto Allowance" to "Medical Differential", Leonard seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Property Committee: Bud reports that:

9/15 Archway in the memorial garden was painted

9/23 Sidewalk was repaired

Social Ministry: Still have not got the information about the Backpack program. Were waiting for the schools to inform us of the number of packs we need to make this year.

Nancy and Rick were supposed to find out whether we could start shopping in bulk at Aldi again.

Stewardship: Todd Campbell and Gabe Frye have been added to the list of 2021 council candidates.

Youth: Gabe wanted to ask the council about their opinion on when the acolyte and crucifer schedule should go back to normal. The pastor expressed that he didn't know if people would feel comfortable being forced to come back to service.

Christian Education: No report, **Evangelism:** No report, **Internal Ministry:** No report, **Mutual Ministry:** No report, **Worship and Music:** No report.

Report of Special Committees:

Cemetery: No report, **Safety and Security:** No report.

Website: Bob had a discussion about the cost of live streaming with Gil Harris on 10/11, he will present a full report at the November meeting.

Other Reports:

Bob attended the Town of Stanley Council meeting on October 5th.

Unfinished Business:

No report.

New 2020 Council Business:

Heifer International was hacked in May, they sent us a pamphlet saying we should be cautious of receiving anything from Heifer International.

Adjournment:

1. The next council meeting will be on **November 9th**, Tonya will lead devotions. Leonard and David will continue to open and close the church.
2. Emma made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Tonya seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned following The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma C. Human, Secretary

ZOOM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING December 13th, 2020 MINUTES OF MEETING

Call to Order: President Jay Human called the meeting to order.

Devotions: Pastor Frye opened the meeting with a prayer.

Roll call and action on excuses for absence:

Present: Jay Human, Emma Human, Pastor Frye, Bob Mahovsky, Judy Abernathy, Buddy Abernathy, Tonya Stone, Michael Dukes, Buck Helms, Janice Clark, Tommy Hedrick **Absent:** Crystyl Human, Richard Medlin, Leonard Lewis, Gabe Frye

New Members Present: Gil Harris, Paul Brodland, Todd Campbell

Property Committee: Bud reports that:

- The freezer in the Family Life Center is consuming quite a bit of power. Bud wanted to know if we could turn it off or set it to a higher temperature. We decided to turn it off and a couple of times a year we could turn it back on to make sure it is working properly.

New 2020 Council Business:

2021 Council Representatives:

- **President-**
 - Judy Abernathy. Bob made the motion, Jay seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Vice president-**
 - Paul Brodland. Jay made the motion, Judy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Secretary-**
 - Emma Human. Judy made the motion, Bob seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- **General Fund Treasurer-**
 - Michael Dukes. Jay made the motion, Tommy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Capital Fund Treasurer-**
 - Crystyl Human. Judy made the motion, Tommy seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- **Financial Secretary-**
 - Michael Dukes. Jay made the motion, Buck seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Liaisons:

- **Archives and Communications-** Bob Makovsky
- **Christian Education-** Paul Brodland
- **Endowment-** Janice Clark
- **Evangelism-** Todd Campbell
- **Finance-** Tommy Hedrick
- **Internal Ministry-** Emma Human
- **Mutual Ministry-** Gil Harris
- **Nominating Committee-** Jay Human
- **Property-** Bud Abernathy
- **Social Ministry-** Tonya Stone
- **Stewardship-** Jay Human
- **Music and Worship-** Buck Helms
- **Youth-** Gabe Frye

Trust Officers-

- **Team 1-** Crystyl Human and Leonard Lewis
- **Team 2-** David Lewis and Charles Ray
- **Team 3-** Prissy Helms and Kim Costner
- **Team 4-** Jay Human and Todd Campbell

Bud made the motion to approve the liaison teams and Buck seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

1. The meeting was adjourned following a prayer from Pastor Frye.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma C. Human, Secretary

4th Quarter 2020 -- All Funds Received			
	October	November	December
General Fund - Unrestricted *	\$ 15,745.00	\$ 15,055.00	\$ 17,260.00
Other Income	\$ 43.93	\$ 12.57	\$ 1,947.25
Total General Fund Offering	\$ 15,788.93	\$ 15,067.57	\$ 19,207.25
Designated Gifts	\$ 1,285.25	\$ 4,757.75	\$ 3,573.00
Capital Fund Offering (Bldg & Memorials)	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 1,350.00
Total Offering	\$ 17,199.18	\$ 22,645.32	\$ 24,130.25
* 4.5 % Benevolence to NALC			
* 5 % Given for Local Benevolence (CELC Social Ministry Programs)			

4th Quarter 2020 -- General Fund Offering vs. Expense			
	October	November	December
General Fund Offering	\$ 15,788.93	\$ 15,067.57	\$ 19,207.25
Designated Funds (Budget)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.00
Designated Fund Disbursements	\$ 935.25	\$ 1,384.22	\$ 5,461.10
Transfers to Capital Fund	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 4,950.00
EXTENSION - Benevolence	\$ 1,495.78	\$ 1,430.23	\$ 1,639.70
EXPANSION - Mission in Community	\$ 25.95	\$ 25.95	\$ 2,511.95
GUIDANCE - Mission in Staff	\$ 10,843.08	\$ 12,569.12	\$ 11,816.76
MINISTRY - Worship & Word	\$ 157.80	\$ 18.34	\$ 112.96
DEVELOPMENT - Admin & Property	\$ 3,187.44	\$ 2,628.20	\$ 3,060.69
OTHER EXPENSES - Insurance, etc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,681.50
General Fund Expense	\$ 15,710.05	\$ 16,671.84	\$ 23,823.56
All Expenses (Including DF & Transfers)	\$ 16,770.30	\$ 20,876.06	\$ 34,234.66
Monthly Balance	\$ 78.88	\$ (1,604.27)	\$ (4,541.31)
YTD Running Balance	\$ 18,041.99	\$ 16,437.72	\$ 11,896.41

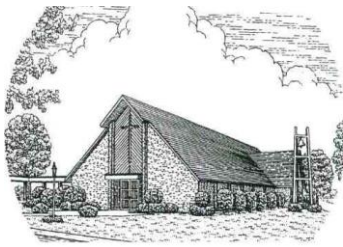
Note -- No worship services on December 6th, 13th or 20th due to the coronavirus



February 2021

Sunday	Mon	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3 Bible Study 6pm	4 Food Pantry 11am- 12:30pm	5	6
7 Divine Service 10:30pm	8	9	10 Bible Study 6pm	11 Food Pantry 11am- 12:30pm	12	13
14 Divine Service 10:30pm	15	16	17 Ash Wednesday Service 7pm	18 Food Pantry 11am- 12:30pm	19	20
21 Divine Service 10:30pm Church Council Meeting 6pm	22	23	24 Lenten Vespers 7pm	25 Food Pantry 11am- 12:30pm	26	27
28 Divine Service 10:30pm						

If you need anything please call the church between 8am-12:30pm,
Monday - Friday.



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Pastor: Rev. Wesley R. Frye, STS
Administrative Assistant: Julie Bodenheimer
Facilities: Rick Chapman
Choirmaster: Nancy Olls

Schedule:

Sunday

10:30 am Worship Service

Church Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:00 am until 12:30 pm