



# Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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*"Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of your Holy Word..."*

We've been singing these words each week this summer as the Gospel is read. As summer winds down, we return to having the Contemporary service at 10:30 am each Sunday. The Taize Service remains each Saturday at 5:30 pm, and Traditional worship at 8:00 am Sundays. Here's what's happening in the weeks ahead:

**Sunday August 14**      **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

**Sunday August 21**      **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

Worship this weekend will be led by HS Youth and Adults who went on the summer mission trip to Jamaica will share their experience, giving praise to God and thanking the congregation for support of their efforts. Come listen, learn, rejoice!

**Sunday August 28**      **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

New Members Class, the first of three sessions, will be between services at 9:15.

**Sunday Sept. 4**      **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

Labor Day Weekend – At a time of national holiday, it's always great to worship and give thanks for the blessings of our nation.

**Sunday Sept. 11**      **Holy Cross Day / 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv. of 9/11**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

Sunday School Rally Day at 9:15 am – Register for classes, learn about fall programs, connect with members and friends. New Members Class (session 2) at 9:15 am.

**Sunday Sept. 18**      **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

Sunday School classes will begin this day – the first Sunday of a 4-week rotation. New Members Class (session 3) also at 9:15 am.

The Annual Meeting will follow the late service – elections, budget adoption.

**Sunday Sept. 25**      **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**      **Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am**

We'll welcome new members this weekend!

Weekly worship remains foundational for us. It sets the tone for us as individual believers and as the corporate Body of Christ. Lots of other programs happen during the week at CTS – Confirmation and youth ministry, support groups, committee meetings, etc. But all find their purpose and foundation in Word and Sacrament, celebrated weekly. As the busyness of another Fall season gets going, commit now to Sabbath time – to feed on the Word of God, to join in the praise, and to be nourished for life and service each week.

Blessings always,

+Pastor Joel Brandt

# Message from the Council President

## What's up with Council?

By now you have probably heard that our Pastors have made a decision to seek a new call elsewhere. This is in direct relation to the current conflict involving leadership, finances, and community. These decisions were in agreement with the Council and voted on to accept at our last council meeting on July 20th.

This transition will undoubtedly bring about more anxiety and fear of the unknown within the congregation. Now is the time for members and visitors of CTS to come together and walk with Christ wherever this new journey will take us. Amazing things can happen when the Holy Spirit is working in us and among us with a common goal in sight.

The council's leadership and decision making ability during this conflict has been challenged, as a group and as individuals. I pray that negative comments and attitudes by some members are a direct result of the anger, confusion and lack of information due to imperfect harmony within our CTS family. Myself, I thank God for the General Council and the Executive Committee. They have been deliberate and thoughtful, weighing the positive and negative of all situations. They are all loving, warm and compassionate folks, and I am glad to be a part of them. Without them, this conflict could have easily gone south long ago without anyone knowing what the Heck was going on. The current excitement is only a small piece of the big picture that the council has been deliberating on and trying to smooth out for the past 3 years. This group of volunteers are passionate about CTS and have a desire to see it grow and return to a healthy, vibrant congregation. These types of personnel and conflict issues are way out of the comfort zone for most volunteers and much more than they signed up for when they agreed to run for Council. Please know that the discussions regarding the health of CTS have taken a toll, and they have not been easy. Much time, conversation, thought and prayer has went into meeting after meeting with the goal being to have a positive outcome for everyone involved.

As we approach our new fiscal year (starting in Oct) there are openings in our leadership areas:

Following are the positions that are open for election for the next fiscal year that runs from October 2011 to September 2012.

Officers/Council Members: 1 year term – President, Vice President, Secretary; 2 year term – Financial Secretary; 3 year term -- (3) General Council Members. Other positions open: 1 year term – (3) Nominating Committee members, (3) Synod Representatives (must have one each male and female); 3 year term – (2) Audit Committee members (staggered terms), (3) Mission Endowment members (staggered terms). Please prayerfully self reflect how you can use your time and talents to be a part of our CTS leadership team in one of the above positions. Call or e-mail Lisa at the office (303-666-4655; [ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net](mailto:ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net)) to share your interest and a Nominating Committee member will contact you to discuss the position in further detail.

Please prayerfully consider being part of the solution to help CTS endure and thrive from this current conflict. Also, please add our council members to your prayer list.

Emmanuel ! God is with us!

Randy Geist, Council President

Feel free to call or contact me at 303.469.1939 or [rlgeist@msn.com](mailto:rlgeist@msn.com)

# Opportunities to Serve & What's Happening

## “CTS ANNUAL MEETING LEADERSHIP ELECTION

SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

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## Get Moving to Help Sister Carmen Move!

The OES committee is going to host a dance this fall to raise money dedicated to the move and expansion of the Sister Carmen Center. We are in very early stages of planning and need some volunteers to help us plan a dance. We specifically need teens, parents of younger children and some adults to help plan this fun event. We are also in need of someone with DJ experience. If you are interested in helping plan this event, please contact OES chair, Mo Kanwischer at [mo@momentumbc.com](mailto:mo@momentumbc.com).

**The Food Sensitivity Support Group** took a short summer break and now will meet again on Sunday August 21, 2011 at noon in the fellowship hall and may even go on a field trip! If you are interested in joining us or would like more information, please contact

Annette Plutt at [akplutt@msn.com](mailto:akplutt@msn.com).

## WORSHIP

We Need You . . . we are in need of someone to coordinate our Worship Team schedules – Helen MacDonald has done this for quite a while but now is “retiring” so that she can serve in other meaningful ways. (Thank you, Helen!!) Her process has included sending reminders early each week to that week’s volunteers and completing the monthly schedule for the website/newsletter. If you can help with this task, please let us know! Contact the church office (303-666-4655, [ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net](mailto:ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net)).

**CTS PRAYER CHAIN** We are looking for members who are willing to help others through prayer. We are starting an e-mail prayer “blast.” As a need for prayer is requested, it will be sent out via e-mail so individual prayers can be made immediately. No need to forward or contact another person on the list. To be added to the distribution list send your contact e-mail information to [ctsprayers@gmail.com](mailto:ctsprayers@gmail.com) or contact the church office. If you have a prayer request it can also be sent to [ctsprayers@gmail.com](mailto:ctsprayers@gmail.com) or contact the church office or pastors.

## Choices Divorce Recovery Workshop

Choices Divorce Recovery Workshop will be held at Boulder Valley Christian Church starting Friday, September 23rd. These affordable workshops helps you identify the issues, provides strategies, discusses choices and gives support and hope for adults and children. [www.bvchristian.org](http://www.bvchristian.org) or 303-494-7748 for more information and registration. If you have questions, contact Jerry & Sharon Routt, 303-581-9251, the adult workshop leaders. Confident kids workshop also runs concurrently for K-6.

## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Wanted for August :

The Sister Carmen Center provides year-round support to area families in need. Consider donating the following items to the Blue Barrel this month:

**Hot & Cold Cereals and Juice**

Check out Sister Carmen for more news on how you can help make a difference. Thank You!!

## Sign up for Synod weekly news brief from "Rocky Mountain Synod, ELCA"

Sign up NOW for the RMS Newsletter at this page: <http://rmselca.org/synod/newsletters/index.htm> !

This week they have links to summaries of the recent Synod Assembly!

Check it out: <http://www.rmselca.org/synod/newsletters/landscape/LandscapeAssembly2011co.pdf>

ENJOY!!



### High School Dates to Remember:

- 8/2 – Oh-ey-sis 6-8pm Long/Godman House  
2125 Keota Ln Superior
- 8/5-6- Relay for Life
- 8/9- Oh-ey-sis 6-8pm Juli Duffer's House 683  
Ridge View Dr Louisville- bring your swim  
suit
- 8/13- HS Palooza 5-8pm Rahn's House 191  
Paragon Dr Boulder
- 8/14- Youth Band Practice 11:45-1pm  
Mission Trip worship planning 5-8pm
- 8/16- Oh-ey-sis 6-8pm at CTS- Amegay Ight-  
nay
- 8/20- Mission Trip Worship 5pm
- 8/21- Mission Trip Worship 8am  
Mission Trip Thank You Breakfast  
9:15am  
Mission Trip Worship 10:30am  
Lutheran College Fair- See youth board  
for more info
- 8/23- Oh-ey-sis 6-8pm Dig Deep
- 8/27- HS 14er Hike- See youth board for more  
info
- 8/28- Youth Band Practice 11:45-1pm
- 8/30- Oh-ey-sis 6-8pm Smart Tee Night

### Middle School Dates to Remember:

- 8/5-6- Relay for Life
- 8/11- Movie on the Wall 6-11pm
- 8/14- Youth Band Practice 11:45-1pm
- 8/28- MS AC Lunch at Noon  
Youth Band Practice 11:45-1pm

## Youth News

Welcome to August! My, oh my how the summer has just flown by. I hope it has been a fun summer and that gearing up to go back to school comes with little stress and more excitement. August is bringing about change here at CTS as we have learned Pastor Joel and Pastor Annemarie will be perusing new calls and leaving the CTS community. This has created many mixed feelings across the CTS community (which I hope are shared and continue to be shared and talked about) and we know change can be hard. My prayer is that, especially during this time, we as a community, as a family can come together to support, love, and encourage each other. I was reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 which reminded me of the importance of the whole body and the idea of there being many parts but one body. I encourage you to take a few minutes and read this. Read it with your family and take some time to talk about what does this mean in your family and what does it mean as we are a part of the CTS family. What does this say about unity? About community? About gifts? As we make this transition, let us be reminded who calls us by name, in whose name we gather, and the love that is given to us that we might go out and share it. Let us continue to talk to each other, to support each other, to share with each other so that we make this journey not alone but as the body God calls us to be, as the CTS family. Thank you for being an important part of this body!

Some things to highlight for this month:

**Relay for Life** to raise money for American Cancer Society August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> at Louisville Rec Center, **MS Movie on the Wall** August 11<sup>th</sup> 6-11pm, **HS Palooza** August 13<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm at the Rahn's house, **Youth Band practice** August 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 11:45am-1pm, and **Mission Trip Worship planning** August 14<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm. Please check the calendar and youth board for all happening for the month. As always if there is ANYTHING I can do please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued prayers and support for youth and family ministry here at CTS!

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# Fellowship

## Book Club

CTS book club will enjoy coffee and live music at Cannon Mine on August 26th. It's just a few blocks north of Lafayette Florist on S. Public Rd. Book discussion on *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett at 6:30p.m. Music by Just Desserts follows at 7:30 p.m. Carpool from church at 6:20 p.m. or meet us there. Contact Sharon Grove

[artsy808@hotmail.com](mailto:artsy808@hotmail.com)

## Red Hats

Ladies,  
Let's go hiking up to Alberta Falls in Rocky Mtn. National Park on August 13! This is an

easy walk, 1.2 miles round trip with a 160 ft. elevation gain, starting at the Glacier Gorge trail head. Bring your lunch and camera for the lovely wildflowers! Meet at church by 9 a.m. I



have a park pass and can drive with four others in my car. RSVP to Sharon Grove,  
[artsy808@hotmail.com](mailto:artsy808@hotmail.com). 720-270-6493

## Men's Bible Breakfast



1st Saturday each month from 8:30-10:00am.  
Come hungry!!

## SAVE THE DATE!

September 24th Celebration  
Join us to Celebrate New Beginnings Prison Congregation @ 5:30pm.  
Many hand knitted and crocheted items from the women on the inside will be available for silent auction.  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
4500 Wadsworth, Co 80033

Please be thinking about your donations ie: hand made items, baskets etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Heiko Meyer at  
[heikomeyer01@gmail.com](mailto:heikomeyer01@gmail.com).

## The BIG Event A Fundraising Celebration



Saturday, August 20, 2011 from 6:00 - 10:00pm at Sister Carmen Community Center New Second Locations, 655 Aspen Ridge in Lafayette.

The event will include: dinner & libations, silent auction, and entertainment by Blues on the Lamb and GroupMind Foundation performing improve comedy.

\$100 per person (\$70 is tax deductible) or \$1000 for a table of 10.

For more information, please call 303-665-4342 or [www.sistercarmen.org](http://www.sistercarmen.org).  
RSVP ASAP

# Check It Out! Library & E-News !



Zwingli and Calvin(HIST-CHI). This video runs 28 minutes and gives a factual account of the lives of two Reformation leaders who lived in Switzerland.

Ulrich Zwingli became an ordained priest in 1506, and soon started to question both religious and Swiss society norms. The Swiss mercenary trade was important to the Swiss economy, yet Zwingli complained about the "blood for gold" trade. He met Erasmus and also came to hold many of the viewpoints of Luther. In 1535 he moved to Zurich. The times were brutal. One third of Zurich's

population died due to the black-death. Zwingli also came down with the plague, but survived. His distance in a philosophical sense from Rome widened. He eventually married. In contrast to his earlier views on military conflict, he took part in the religious wars of his time, dying in battle.

John Calvin was born in France in 1509. While attending school in Paris, he was attracted to the ideas of the Reformation. These views lead to his fleeing of Paris. He became a scholar for 22 years in Switzerland, which was tolerant of Reformation ideas. But the process was not that easy. There were citizens in Geneva who did not care for his viewpoints. In 1538 city officials in Geneva ordered him to leave in three days time. He returned in 1541 and resumed his lectures from the pulpit. Geneva, how-

ever, was a haven, in relative terms, compared to other locales. For example, laws were passed which benefited women. Calvin's writings had influence far beyond Geneva and his lifetime.

Steve Massie

## E-NEWS!

✠ Follow this link to access CTS website calendar page ~ This page gets worked on weekly and is shaping up for your viewing pleasure!

<http://ctsonline.org/about/calendar-page/>

✠ Additionally, our Worship Team Schedule is still available on our website for those who serve weekly.



Women of the ELCA  
Rocky Mountain Synod  
**Fall Gathering**

*The Unpaved Road*

Your road led through the sea, your pathway  
through the mighty waters – a pathway no one  
knew was there! Ps 77:19 *The Living Bible*



**Saturday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**Registration - \$50 (includes lunch & child care)**

**Pick your date and location**

**Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011**

**Estes Park, CO**

Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran

**Wheatland, WY**

Covenant Lutheran

**Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011**

**Salt Lake City, UT**

Our Savior's Lutheran

**Albuquerque, NM**

All Saints Lutheran

Enjoy the leadership of women theologians as each group explores the journey to find God's path for each of us.

Please look for the publicity materials later this summer where registration forms, weekend activities, Friday night accommodations and local charity information will be available.

[www.rmseica.org/women](http://www.rmseica.org/women)

## What's Happening



Lutheran Family Services of Colorado has updated its website. Check it out and register for one of these events! See <http://www.lfsco.org/>

Lutheran Family Services of Colorado would love to have your sets of gently used, twin bed sheets that are taking up all that room in your closets. Also we are in need of new, regular size pillows. Bring donations to LFS offices at 363 S. Harlan Suite 200, Denver, 80226 or 1600 Downing Street, Suite 600, Denver, 80218. For a large number of items, pickups can be arranged with Chad Skupien at 303-389-2348 or [chad.skupien@lfsco.org](mailto:chad.skupien@lfsco.org).

Thank you for making **Lutheran Family Services of Colorado's** Annual Family Fundraiser at the Denver Zoo a success! Nearly 600 friends and supporters of LFS enjoyed this wonderful evening, filled with all kinds of entertainment including face painters, a magician, carousel rides, music, a visit with all the wild animals and a barbeque dinner.

Thank you Christ the Servant! In response to a request from Meals on Wheels of East Boulder County, our congregation raised \$1,250 for Meals on



Wheels to support two people in Lafayette with nutritious meals for a whole year. At last weekend's ser-

vices, we received a temple talk and gratitude from leaders of Meals on Wheels and we presented them with the sponsorship check to support this family in need. But we are not done yet! If you would like to contribute to Meals on Wheels to help neighbors in need, you can make a donation to CTS and write MOW on the memo line of your check or envelope. Thank you.

## What's Happening



The Mile High Associates of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has an immediate opening for an experienced office administrator. This position supports the staff of 6+ financial representatives and is currently part time but could develop into a full time position. Candidate must have excellent organizational and computer skills, an outgoing personality with a positive attitude. Please send resume to fax 303-457-1587 or email [mary.goughnour@thrivent.com](mailto:mary.goughnour@thrivent.com)

### Passport to Well-Being

CTS is invited to a Free Community Fitness Fair entitled, "Passport to Well-Being" being held on Saturday, August 27th at the Infinity Park Event Center from 9:00 am—3:00pm.

This is a joint effort of the Denver area ELCA Parish Nurses and the Rocky Mountain Region of Thrivent Financials for Lutherans. The workshops, displays and activities all represent one or more areas of wellness: social/interpersonal, emotional, physical, financial, vocational, intellectual and spiritual, as depicted on The Wholeness Wheel.

There is also an opportunity to share our blessings by reaching out to help others by making donations to Lutheran Family Services Refugee Program and Metro Caring.

For more details including a map and schedule of events go to [www.rmselca.org/wellbeing](http://www.rmselca.org/wellbeing).

**Christ the Servant  
Lutheran Church**

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Christ the Servant 2010 Financial Update  
Offerings received (July) – \$40,346

YTD (Oct-July)	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Income:*	\$ 422,082	\$ 452,833	(30,751)
Expenses:	\$ 421,457	\$ 442,495	(21,038)
Variance <Loss>:	\$ 625	\$ 10,338	(9,713)
<b>Monthly (JULY)</b>			
Income:*	\$ 40,346	\$ 41,046	(700)
Expenses:	\$ 42,824	\$ 43,828	(1,004)
Variance <Loss>	\$ (2,478)	(2,782)	304

2011 YTD Attendance Average: 219  
2010 YTD Attendance Average: 227  
2009 YTD Attendance Average: 252

\*Please note that our income receipt budget is based on a curve from previous year's giving, and fluctuates from month to month. Expenses are budgeted equally each month. Summer income is historically lower, while expenses will remain the same.

Please Contact Christ the Servant:

- † When your address, phone, or family information changes
- † When a member of your family is in the hospital
- † When you'd like to schedule or cancel a meeting
- † When you have a joy to share or a prayer concern, or feel the church can assist you in any way



We, the Christ the Servant staff, continually give thanks for Christ the Servant community. As we gather weekly at our staff meetings, we will be praying for you and your families and giving praise for all you do in our community!

If you have any additional prayers, please write them on your attendance sheet or let us know. We love all of you!