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Sunday Morning Worship

8:30 & 11:00 am

Education Hour 9:45 am

Fellowship Hour 9:45 am

Traditional worship on the 1st & 3rd Sundays
Contemporary worship on the 2nd & 4th Sundays

CHECK OUT THIS ISSUE TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CHRISTUS VICTOR



Pack It Up



Care Packages for our Troops



Tai Chi

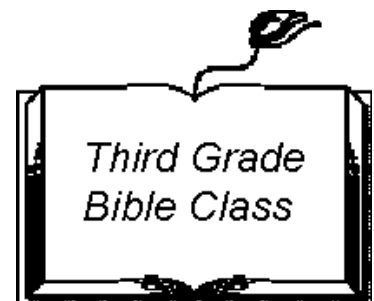


Blessing

Of The



Back Packs



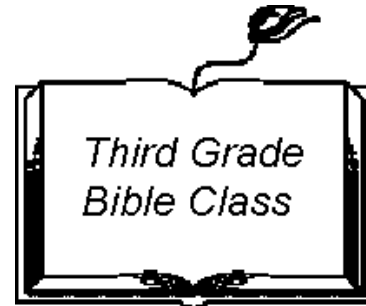


Blessing of the Backpacks!

On Sunday, Sept. 11, we will have a blessing of the backpacks in worship to start the new year off right, so make sure to bring your child's backpack or school bag with them for a special blessing! And this is not just for kids – if you have a work bag, bring that and we will bless the adults' bags, too!

3rd Grade Bible Class

Attention all 3rd graders and their parents: Please join Pastor Laura for the 3rd grade Bible class, which will meet during the regular Faith Trek time on Sundays, Sept. 18th, Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and Oct. 9. On Sunday, Oct. 9th, your kids will be presented with their new Bible at the 11am worship service, so please do plan on being here for that. Contact Pastor Laura with any questions.



Thursday Morning Adult Bible Study – 10:00am in the Art Room

Bring your Bible and join us for a rousing journey into God's Word and the life of faith. You don't need to know anything about the Bible, just a willingness to read, ask questions, and learn. Just show up at 10:00am on Thursday mornings, we'll provide the coffee!

Current Focus: the Gospel of Matthew

Summer Tuesday Morning Tai Chi

Join Pastor Kent on Tuesday mornings at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall for 45 minutes of Tai Chi Exercise.

Tai Chi is the oldest form of Chinese Martial Arts, focusing on stretching, balance, and deep breathing. Tai Chi is also known as "moving meditation." No experience necessary. Just show up in loose, comfortable clothes, or call Pastor Kent for more information, 952-454-6927.



E-Devotionals – We have a daily e-devotional for the members and friends of CV. Everyday over 200 members and friends of CV receive email devotion, prayer, and short, special announcements. If you would like to get these daily email devotions which have been so positively received, please email Pastor Kent at pastor.kent@christusvictor.org. If you do not want to get this daily email, please let Pastor Kent know and he will take you off the list. This is a great way to start your day in God's Word and with prayer! Many people have been greatly blessed by this daily devotion.



PACK IT UP!

LET'S REACH OUT AND SHOW OUR SUPPORT TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE SERVING OUR COUNTRY!

During the month of **September**, the Social Ministries Committee will be collecting care package items that will be sent to military personnel who are currently serving our country overseas. Monetary donations are also needed to pay for the mailing fees. Personal letters are very welcomed – never underestimate the value of a handwritten note. And, of course, prayers are always needed.

Last year, one of the soldiers wrote in her thank you note: “I wanted to say thank you to all the members of your congregation... for the box of goodies, the pictures and, of course, the prayers. It’s a good feeling to know that people are thinking about us. It’s people like yourselves that help keep us strong and stay positive. This package not only brought a smile to my face, but also others in my unit.”

This project is not just about collecting and sending ‘things’ to our troops, it’s about raising morale and letting the soldiers know we care about them. Here’s how YOU can be a vital part of this service project:

- ✓ **WRITE** a personal note/letter/card (*this is the number one request!*)
- ✓ **PRAY** for their safety and speedy return home
- ✓ **kids can DRAW OR COLOR PICTURES OR MAKE A SMALL GIFT**
- ✓ **DONATE** money for shipping expenses (flat rate fee = approx \$13/box)
- ✓ **CONTRIBUTE** one or more suggested items listed below:

Peanut butter
Energy bars
Chewing gum
Microwave popcorn
Beef jerky
Playing cards
Foot powder
Flip-flops (for shower)
Light)
Playing Cards

Kids drawings
Tuna pouches
Canned fruit (single serving cans only)
Batteries (assorted sizes)
White ankle socks
Magazines (current)
Earbuds (for stereo/I-pod)
Crossword/Sudoku/Word find puzzles

Ear buds (for stereo or I-pad)

Hand held games
Hard candy/mints
Dice
Disposable razors
DVD’s (movies, TV series)
Energy drinks
Baby wipes (small packages)
Powdered drinks (eg. Crystal

Flip-flops for shower

Please – no home-made treats or anything that will melt

LOOK FOR THE FOOT LOCKER IN THE NARTHAX AREA DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Please direct questions and comments to Michele Iaria (952-891-1303 or miaria@charter.net) OR anyone on the Social Ministries Committee: Cindy Baubie, Nancy Colin, Barb Damlo (council rep), Alice McCammon, Brenda Kroeten, Lorna Peterson, Tina Reu, Audrey Smith, Peggy Sunwall, Alana Thureen

THANK YOU!

Choir News for the Fall!



It's time to start thinking about getting involved in music at CV! There are opportunities for you, and they don't take up every hour of the day. Most of our choirs practice once a week or less, and there are groups for every age. Below is a brief rundown of what's coming up this fall. We truly need new members in all of our choirs to join on with our seasoned group. We love new faces and new voices! Every section is looking for bodies, no registration necessary. Just show up at practice and you're in. Don't be shy.

Senior Choir: This choir practices on Wed. nights from 8:00 – 9:00 P.M. in the sanctuary. Come to Recharge, stay for choir. You need to be in high school or above to sing in this choir. It is primarily an adult group of singers. We sing at least twice a month at either the 8:30 or 11:00 A.M. service. For special occasions we sing at both services. We try and sing at the Mall of America during the holidays and any other things that might turn up. We have a choir retreat in Jan. and journey up north to practice and sing for the campers up at Luther Point. Our first practice of the year is Wed., Sept. 7th. Folders, music, and schedules will be handed out then.

Senior Choir Europe Choir: This is an extension of the senior choir and is available for people who don't want to commit to senior choir on an every week basis but want to learn the music for the June, 2013 Germany choir trip. You should turn up for the first practice for senior choir and get the once a month rehearsal schedule for people wanting to add on to the choir for the trip. We will dedicate one Wed. a month to rehearsing music that will potentially be used on that trip. This whole plan is still in the "formulating" stage, but come and find out more about it! Commitments to this trip and first payment will be coming up this Oct.

Upward Call: Upward Call is the choir that leads the contemporary worship services at church. We primarily serve the purpose of leading hymns but also provide special music on some of those Sundays. We sing both services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month and practice between services on the same Sundays. Because Upward Call will be singing on Rally Sunday we will have our first rehearsal on Wed., Sept. 7th at 7:00 P.M. in the Youth Room. After that all rehearsals will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays between services in the Sanctuary. We also play a big role in the "Dessert Theater", which takes place in late winter. Fun stuff. We are open to kids in high school and adults. Please be at the first rehearsal on September 7th, we would like to begin looking at ways to lighten up this commitment and welcome more people to become involved. Come check us out!

Rock Band: Rock Band meets on Sunday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. in the sanctuary. We are starting on Sunday, Sept. 18th. We are ages middle school through adult. We sing once a month, usually at both services. We are going to incorporate some fun activities this year. We sing more of the fun Christian music and some of the secular songs that have Christian messages. Join us for our kick off on the 18th. Plan on some weird food and crazy games. Just plan on being there! Oh yes, we are a big part of the "Dessert Theater!"

JIFY: Families with kids in the right age category will receive a letter about JIFY. That is our music adventure for the younger kids.

We have the **church band**, which will provide music during the Christmas season and for the "Dessert Theater". You'll hear more about that group as the year progresses..... While you're waiting, dust off your instruments and find your mouthpiece and your reeds. Get set early.

The above is a basic overview of what's in place for this year. Practices can change as things come up, but it always seems to work out. Please consider giving some of our music groups a try. We need "new blood" to keep growing, so come on board. See you at rehearsal!

Thursday, September 1, 2011

10:00AM Adult Bible Study
6:00PM Lily of the Valley Study
7:00PM Alanon Mtg.
7:30PM AA Mtg.

Friday, September 2, 2011

8:00AM AA Group Mtg.
6:00 PM Peace of Mind NA Group

Saturday, September 3, 2011

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, September 4, 2011

9:30AM Worship
1:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
4:45PM Lily of the Valley
AME Worship

Monday, September 5, 2011

LABOR DAY

Church Office Closed

9:30AM Women's Big Book
AA Group
7:00PM Big Book AA Group

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

10:00AM Staff Mtg.
6:00PM Boy Scout Troop 345
6:00PM Casa de Oracion

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

10:00AM Women's Reflection
AA Group
11:00AM Women's Big Book
Group
7:00PM Confirmation Parent/
Student Orientation
7:00PM RECHARGE! - Practice

Thursday, September 8, 2011

10:00AM Adult Bible Study
6:00PM Lily of the Valley Study
7:00PM Alanon Mtg.
7:30PM AA Mtg.

Friday, September 9, 2011

8:00AM AA Group Mtg.
6:00 PM Peace of Mind NA Group

Saturday, September 10, 2011

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, September 11, 2011

8:30AM Worship/Blessing of the
Backpacks
9:45AM Education/Fellowship Hour
9:45AM Upward Call Rehearsal
11:00AM Worship/Blessing of the
Backpacks
1:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
4:00PM Lily of the Valley AME
Worship
5:30PM Troop 298 Committee Mtg.
7:00PM Troop 298 Mtg.

Monday, September 12, 2011

9:30AM Women's Big Book
AA Group
10:00AM Staff Mtg.
7:00PM Big Book AA Group
7:00PM Troop 298 ASM Mtg.

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

6:00PM Boy Scout Troop 345
6:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
6:00PM All Staff Mtg.
7:00PM All Committee Mtg.

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

10:00AM Women's Reflection
AA Group
11:00AM Women's Big Book Group
6:00PM Confirmation
6:00PM JIFY
7:22PM RECHARGE!
8:00PM Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 15, 2011

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE
10:00AM Adult Bible Study
6:00PM Lily of the Valley Study
7:00PM Alanon Mtg.
7:30PM AA Mtg.

Friday, September 16, 2011

8:00AM AA Group Mtg.
6:00 PM Peace of Mind NA Group

Saturday, September 17, 2011

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, September 18, 2011

8:30AM Worship
9:45AM 3rd Grade Bible Class
9:45AM Education/Fellowship Hour
11:00AM Worship
1:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
4:45PM Lily of the Valley AME
Worship
6:30PM Rock Band Rehearsal

Monday, September 19, 2011

9:30AM Women's Big Book
AA Group
10:00AM Staff Mtg.
7:00PM Big Book AA Group

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

6:00PM Boy Scout Troop 345
6:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

9:30AM AV Mom's Club South
10:00AM Women's Reflection
AA Group
11:00AM Women's Big Book Group
6:00PM Confirmation
6:00PM JIFY
7:22PM RECHARGE!
8:00PM Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 22, 2011

10:00AM Adult Bible Study
6:00PM Lily of the Valley Study
7:00PM Small Group Kick-off
7:00PM Alanon Mtg.
7:30PM AA Mtg.

Friday, September 23, 2011

8:00AM AA Group Mtg.
6:00 PM Peace of Mind NA Group

Saturday, September 24, 2011

9:00AM Confirmation Stole Making

Sunday, September 25, 2011

8:30AM Worship
9:45AM 3rd Grade Bible Class
9:45AM Education/Fellowship Hour
11:00AM Worship
1:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
4:45PM Lily of the Valley AME
Worship
6:00PM Troop 298 PLC Mtg.
6:30PM Rock Band Rehearsal
7:00PM Troop 298 Mtg.

Monday, September 26, 2011

9:30AM Women's Big Book
AA Group
10:00AM Staff Mtg.
7:00PM Big Book AA Group
7:00PM Troop 298 ASM Mtg.

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

6:00PM Boy Scout Troop 345
6:00PM Casa de Oracion Worship
7:00PM Council Mtg.

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

10:00AM Women's Reflection
AA Group
11:00AM Women's Big Book
Group
6:00PM Confirmation
6:00PM JIFY
7:22PM RECHARGE!
8:00PM Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 29, 2011

10:00AM Adult Bible Study
6:00PM Lily of the Valley Study
7:00PM Alanon Mtg.
7:30PM AA Mtg.

Friday, September 30, 2011

8:00AM AA Group Mtg.
6:00 PM Peace of Mind NA Group

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