



# Christus Victor Lutheran Church

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## Voice of Victory

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### WORSHIP AT CHRISTUS VICTOR

#### Sunday Worship

Through Sunday Sept  
8<sup>th</sup> – RALLY SUNDAY  
One Worship at 9:30am  
TWO SERVICES  
BEGINNING SUNDAY  
SEPT 15<sup>TH</sup>

Worship at  
8:30am & 11:00am  
Fellowship at 9:30am  
Education at 9:45am

#### Wednesdays

Worship & Education  
GLOW &  
Confirmation Kickoff  
Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm  
Recharge 7:25pm

### Rally Sunday – September 8 at 9:30am Inside!

After a busy summer of travels, camping, and fun with family and friends, not to mention all of the work and progress on our building project, it's time to reconnect and get back in the groove for a new year of ministry and Christian life together!

Please join us on **Sunday, September 8 at 9:30am** in the sanctuary (we'll be inside because of the construction) for Rally Sunday Worship, with special music from our joint choir. Then join us for a Continental Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Help us start the year out with joyful praise and expectation for the new things God is doing in our midst!

### Faith Formation for All launches this fall on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>!

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**Faith Formation for All for September  
15<sup>th</sup> and September 22<sup>nd</sup>  
9:45 Gather in Fellowship Hall  
10:00 to 10:45 Small groups**

This includes children, junior high, senior high and adults. September 29<sup>th</sup> will be Fellowship Sunday where people are encouraged to share in hospitality and fellowship between services.

Coming Soon, **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> is Bible Sunday for All Ages.** Faith Formation for All wants to celebrate the gift we share in God's Word with all ages. Details coming soon.



**Wednesday Night Kick-Off for  
CONFIRMATION & GLOW  
Parents and Kids  
September 18 from 6-8pm!**

It's time to get ready for another great year for GLOW and CONFIRMATION!

Parents and kids are invited to the Wednesday night Kick-Off and Orientation on September 18 starting at 6:00pm with a family pizza dinner (free will offering). This is an important time to gather together to learn what is new this year, schedules, topics, and how parents can support and help every Wednesday night!

**6:00pm** - Family pizza dinner (free will offering)

**6:30pm** - GLOW Orientation and Confirmation Orientation with parents and kids

**6:45pm** - Kids split off from parents – Pastor Kent meets with both GLOW and Confirmation parents about the year ahead.

**7:25pm** – Recharge worship all together

**GLOWing up for Fall!!**

A message from Stacey Klein -

Where has summer gone? Don't we ask every year at this time? But alas fall is here and there is A LOT going on with our Fall ministries at CVLC. The good news is that it's all happening. GLOW meets on Wednesday night from 6-8 PM. We start out with pizza, bible lesson, wiggle time with our fabulous SWAT (high school helpers) and ends with Recharge. Our theme this year is 'Invitation'. Storied and example of joining God's work in the world. It's an energetic and fun night for our 1st-5th graders.

**Parents, we need your attendance at the Kick-Off/Orientation meeting (this will be joint with confirmation so if you have a confirmation and GLOW participant it will be the same meeting).**

**As always families are encouraged to attend our high energy mid-week Recharge worship service. If you have any questions regarding GLOW please don't hesitate to reach out to me.**

- Stacey

**Fall Senior Adult Retreat at Camp WAPO!**

**Monday, Sept. 23 to Thursday, Sept. 26**



Come away for a time to refresh your spirit and body in the beautiful setting of Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp! Pastor Paul Oman, whose art work hangs in our sanctuary, will be the retreat leader, guiding adult campers into the theme: "Signs of God's Presence in Sight and Sound". The retreat begins Monday

afternoon, with registration from 3pm-5pm and dinner at 5:30pm, and ends after breakfast on Thursday morning, Sept. 26. Cost is \$190 per person (includes 8 meals, 3 nights accommodations, programming and snacks). For more information and a registration forms, contact Pastor Kent at 952-454-6927 or [pastor.kent@christusvictor.org](mailto:pastor.kent@christusvictor.org).

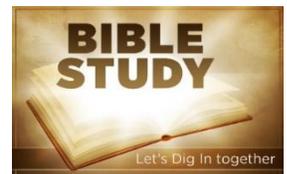


**Bible & Brew – Thursday, September 5 at 7pm**

It's time to kick off another year of Bible & Brew at the Angry Inch in Lakeville! Bring your Bible, grab a brew (or homemade root beer), and come to learn, share, and grow together in faith!

**Thursday Morning Adult Bible Study**

10:00am at the Apple Valley Villas in the basement meeting room. We are learning through the book of John! Come whenever you can. No experience necessary!! Bring your Bible, coffee provided!



**The Dwelling Place... Women of Christus Victor,**



*The Dwelling Place*

Lily of the Valley and Casa de Oracion gather for a potluck meal and Bible study on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at the church. All are welcome! No sign up needed, just

come when you are able.

**Next gathering will be September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30pm**



**Saturday morning, September 14 at 8:30am**



Come join us in the kitchen for a time of fellowship, then conversation and discussion together over breakfast. Just show up hungry!

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**Attention parents of preschool and third graders – there will be a special class in between worship services on Sunday, September 29 with Pastor Kent for parents and children.**

*MILESTONES at CHRISTUS VICTOR*



**BAPTISM: August 4, 2019**  
**REMY JUNE PONIRELLI**  
Parents: Jim & Erica Pontrelli  
Sponsors: Evan Mathieson, Julie Ghere

**“All In Relational Ministry” involves a focus on four psychological /inner longings which all people experience:**



To the body of Christ with whom we share our faith

Specially gifted by God and valued and needed by others and lives



Responding to God's love and grace

For each day of life and the promise of new life



According to CV members, these needs are met in various ways in our church family – worship, music, friendship & fellowship, small groups, Joyful Servants, volunteering in the community, leadership etc. CV members said:

**THIS IS WHY WE GO TO CHURCH!**



## Meeting God in Big Sky Country at Christikon!

The ancient Celtic Christians talked of “thin places” where we go to better pay attention and experience God’s Holy presence. Christikon became a thin place for the high school youth and adult advisors who journeyed up the narrow, winding, rocky Boulder Trail to camp.



As we adjusted both to the altitude and our expectations to the realities of camp life, we were opened up by the beauty around us to the calming, renewing presence of the Holy Spirit. Singing and service projects, contemplative worship and perambulations, rain, hail, and hiking, and the wonderful counselors

brought us all closer to Christ, closer with creation, closer with our friends.

Thanks to everyone who supported us on this trip with your sponsorship, your help with our fundraising, and with your prayers and encouragement!



## Feeling God’s Presence at Camp WAPO!

By Katelyn Radke



At the end of June, I spent a week at Camp Wapo in Amery Wisconsin. I've gone to camp every year since second grade - that's six times. Every time, I

manage to learn more and more about God through worship, skits, my friends, my counselors, and my cabin mates who I somehow create a bond with in only a week. However, the times when I was most aware of God's presence at

camp were at campfire. Every night before bed or night games we go to a campfire right off of the lake. The older and younger kids are together on the first



and last nights but then split into different campfires. I always feel God there with us. God is there in the beautiful sunset across the lake. He is in my friends who sit alongside me as we sing, and he is even there with all of the mosquitoes who bite us all night long and then follow us back to our cabins. Somehow without seeing him I can still feel him everywhere in camp. I believe that if you can you should send your child off to camp and if you can't or don't have a child eligible then you should help support us by helping with camper sponsorships. Camp is such an amazing place to grow in your faith with God.



Progress continues as workers poured the concrete that will become the floor of our new fellowship space. Concrete work also was done at the back doors on the east side of the building and at the office entrance. Inside the building, demolition of the main hallway ceiling continued.

Next, we expect concrete and asphalt work out front to continue, as well as more demolition on the main hallway ceiling and out back. The hall ceiling demolition is a priority, as fire sprinkler work will begin as soon as that's complete.

As always, please use caution in and around all the work zones. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. See the latest pictures on the website:

<https://christusvictor.org/>

If you have any Property questions or would like to report a repair need, please email the Property Committee at [property@christusvictor.org](mailto:property@christusvictor.org).





**Mark Your Calendars! November 8-10!  
Women's Retreat – Spiritual Spa Day for  
the Soul**

You are invited to a Women's Retreat on November 8-10. This will be a weekend "away" at Camp Wapo. Pastor Michelle Gawienowski will lead us on Saturday where we will pray, reflect, laugh, and experience spiritual practices which will draw us closer to God and one another. The materials we use will be from the book "Space for God" by Don Postema and the Bible. You are invited to bring your own Bible, wear comfy clothes and simply show up for the weekend or Saturday when Pastor Michelle Gawienowski will lead our time together. We are so busy; this retreat will provide some space in our lives to make Jesus our center. The weekend begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday. If you are only available on Saturday, please join us. The hope is that all women who participate in the weekend will feel a little pampered and spiritually renewed.

We are offering two attendance options – Full Weekend or Saturday Only. We will plan the weekend agenda to fit the two options:

Cost for Full Weekend \$110.00

Cost for Saturday Only \$45.00

**The registration form and payment are due to the CVLC office by Sunday, Oct. 27th.**



**Reminder senior choir - we begin practice on Wednesday, Sept. 4th - 8 PM! Please come and sing with us - lots of fun planned!!**

**Social Ministries  
Fall Cookie Express**



**Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Between services**

Grab a container for \$15 and choose from a variety of homemade cookies. Cookies will be placed on tables. You walk your way through the selections and gather until your box is full.

Volunteer cookie bakers are also needed. Sign up at the Welcome Desk and take your instruction sheet. Bake your family favorites; no store-bought cookies please.

This event will benefit Social Ministries Thanksgiving Baskets.



**GEAR UP FOR SCHOOL...**The Greenleaf Elementary School social worker has requested the listed school supplies for the coming year. They can be placed in the collection bin located in the church office. Monetary donations also can be brought to the church office. Thank you for your generosity! CV Contact: Cindy Baubie ([cindybaubie@charter.net](mailto:cindybaubie@charter.net) or 952-715-2080)  
**ITEMS NEEDED:** Large Backpacks, Ear Buds from the Dollar Store, Wide-Lined Composition Notebooks, Thin and Thick Markers in basic colors, Glue Sticks, Boxes of Kleenex, Clorox Wipes, Highlighters (yellow), Dry Erase Markers ( fine tip in black, broad tip in black or blue), Post It notes (3x3 inch), Calculators from the Dollar Store.

**BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM...**Thank you to sponsors and volunteers who supported the 2018-2019 Greenleaf Backpack Food Program! Sixty students were provided weekend food bags each week to share with their families!

**2019-2020:** We will participate once again this next school year to contribute funds and volunteers; the cost is \$140 per student for the school year. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated! Donation envelopes are in the church office. The staff at Greenleaf Elementary have seen a real difference in the students who are served through the Backpack Food Program. CV Contact: Cindy Baubie ([cindybaubie@charter.net](mailto:cindybaubie@charter.net) or 952-715-2080)



## Got news to share?

- Weekly bulletin announcement page: Items due on Wednesday (submit to [deb@christusvictor.org](mailto:deb@christusvictor.org))
- Monthly Newsletter: items due on the 3rd Thursday of each month (submit to [dluke@christusvictor.org](mailto:dluke@christusvictor.org))

Check out the Christus Victor website! [www.christusvictor.org](http://www.christusvictor.org)

**FULL CHURCH CALENDAR:** [www.christusvictor.org](http://www.christusvictor.org)

### Announcements and Upcoming Events

Are you receiving the church Email Announcements and Newsletter? You can sign up on the church website: [www.christusvictor.org](http://www.christusvictor.org) – select Weekly Email from the News menu option.

Has your contact information changed, switched to cell phones? **Please notify the church office so we can update the church database.** [office@christusvictor.org](mailto:office@christusvictor.org) Thank you.



**Are you on Facebook?** Then check out and “friend” our [Christus Victor Facebook](#) page! This Social Networking site allows members and friends of CV to post ministry updates, special events, pictures, and other items of interest for everyone to consider.

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