



## +Christian Symbol+

### DOLPHIN

Because dolphins often swim alongside ships, they've been used to symbolize Christ's presence, guiding people through earthly life and into eternal life. Although they're mammals, dolphins have been depicted as the fish that swallowed Jonah. Jesus compared his three days inside the tomb to Jonah's three days inside the fish, so dolphins also came to symbolize resurrection.

# CHAPEL NEWS

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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JESUS, SHOW ME WHO  
NEEDS A SPECIAL WORD  
OF FRIENDSHIP TODAY  
SO I MAY SHARE YOUR  
LOVING KINDNESS  
WITH THEM  
**AMEN.**



## WELCOME COFFEE HOUR

After Pastor Jonathan's first official day on the job (June 4th), a coffee hour was held in the Family Room to welcome him. (We're thinking to ask him if he'd mind changing his name... Pastor Jonathan Westerlund is a little too long to fit on a cake!)

## CONGRATS!

Gabi Denicola, your church has been honored and I must say, impressed by your accomplishments!

Factually, you've earned a BA in Psychology from TCNJ, a Master's in Educational Psychology from Kean University and now you're in the homestretch of a five-year program for your Doctorate in Clinical and School Psychology. Such an honorable profession to help guide youth through difficult times; so crucial for their mental health.

Your commitment to your faith has been a guide for you — choosing a profession that has the ability to use your compassion for others. You have definitely shown kindness and patience – those qualities have been instilled in you by your faith and the support of your loving and caring parents who guided you in the goals you have chosen.

We pray for you as you move forward and will continue to be here cheering you on! We were able to support you when you first started college and we are so pleased to award you another Rev. Stover Crouthamel and Dolly Crouthamel Vander Plaat Memorial Scholarship to pursue your dreams. Congratulations!

– Jan Behnke



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## WORDS FROM PASTOR JONATHAN

I am so thankful to be here at Christ Lutheran with you all as Pastor, and I am excited to serve alongside you! For my first piece in our newsletter, I wanted to give a bit of an introduction, though many of you may have heard some of my story the day of the call vote.

I grew up on Long Island where much of my family still lives including my parents, my siblings, and my niblings. In many ways I grew up in the church, especially with my involvement with many different programs of the church in my youth including Sunday School, VBS, bell choir, the Metro New York Synod Lutheran Youth Organization board & synod council, regional youth gatherings, Pinecrest Lutheran Leadership Ministries, and Camp Koinonia.

I was part of the first graduating class of United Lutheran Seminary (formed by the merger of Gettysburg and Philadelphia seminaries) and had many different experiences in seminary with Lutheran churches, Episcopal churches, a Methodist camp program, and Seafarers ministry.

After being ordained I served Lutheran congregations in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and here in New Jersey. While I serve with you as Pastor part-time, I also serve as part-time port chaplain with Seafarer's International House – a ministry affiliated with the ELCA. My wife Courtney and I live in Oakland, the town where she is Pastor at Messiah Lutheran.

In my spare time I enjoy playing handbells with a community bell choir called Jersey Jubilation, playing all sorts of board games with my siblings, and finding tall places to get a good view of God's beautiful creation.

I look forward to hearing from you! You are welcome to give me a call at 201-448-7763, send an email to prjonw@gmail.com, or set up a time to meet so we can get to know each other!

God's blessings, Pastor Jonathan

Noyes "Bart" Bartholomew, Kevin Behnke, Donald Bickert, Dolores Brickman, Maggie Brower, Mike Chapman, John Cutler, Ken Cutler, Carl Fazio, Krista Fuchs, Mary Carolyn Harrison, Fred Hesse, Terry Klotz, Dennis & Jennifer Kruk, Anna & Walter Kruk, Renee Lomelino, Jack Lowack, Marie Lupinski, the Maller Family, Kathy Mallet, Irene Maury, Logan Mercer, Erin Raffery, Doris Robinson, Cathy & Roger Schramm, Evelyn Schramm, Dave Splieth, Marge Tomaselli, Mark Tomaselli, Lenny van Dam, the Vega Family, Janice & Dave Wedderman, Robert Wiederschall and Peter Zingaro

### Those serving in the military...

Bryant Rodriguez Cyriax, Greg Flintall, Devin Vega and Rachel Zarnke

### Those who can't be with us...

Carol DeMott, Al & Barbara Frielink and Irma Weishaupt

## BIRTHDAYS

<b>Bob Denicola</b>	July 1
<b>Marilee Kadonaga</b>	July 6
<b>Anne Carman</b>	July 13
<b>Jan Behnke</b>	July 18
<b>Bonna Kennedy</b>	July 19
<b>Walter Kruk</b>	July 19





## MOTHER NATURE VS YARD SALE

Thanks again to all who helped at the yard sale! This time Mother Nature cooperated and kept the rain away, and from our efforts we made \$350.00 for the church!

- Pam Sakala

# JULY

**Lay Assistant | Usher  
Altar Guild | Counter  
Schedule**

**JULY 2** 10:00am  
**Lay Assistant** Pam Sakala  
**Usher** Anne Carman  
**Altar Guild** Lore Braun

**JULY 9** 10:00am  
**Lay Assistant** Bill Jaichner  
**Usher** Linda Comery  
**Altar Guild** Gina Lally

**JULY 16** 10:00am  
**Lay Assistant** Bob Denicola  
**Usher** Margarete Denicola  
**Altar Guild** Marge Tomaselli

**JULY 23** 10:00am  
**Lay Assistant** Pat Berinato  
**Usher** Lori Mercer  
**Altar Guild** Linda Polise

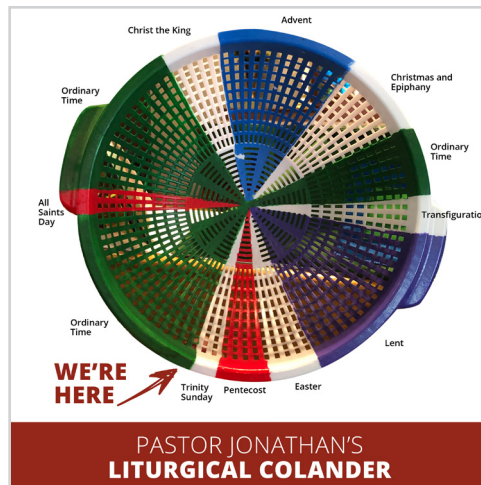
**JULY 30** 10:00am  
**Lay Assistant** Carrie Ralston  
**Usher** Linda Polise  
**Altar Guild** Gina Lally

**Counter** Pam Sakala/  
Marge Tomaselli

## LITURGICAL COLANDER

Some churches have a liturgical calendar. Our pastor has a liturgical colander.

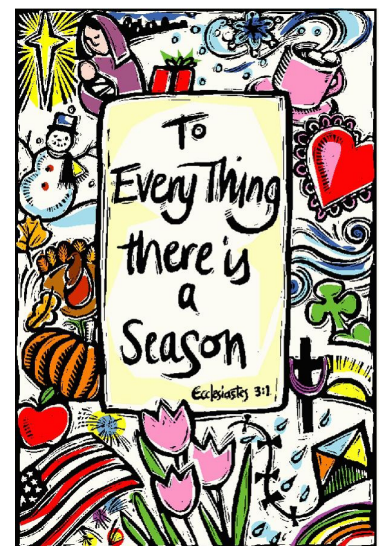
(We're in Ordinary Time...the green season at the bottom left.)



## BIBLE QUIZ

In what land and at what age did Moses die?

- A. The land of Israel; 100 years old
- B. The land of Canaan; 70 years old
- C. The land of Moab; 120 years old
- D. The land of Judah; 102 years old



# JULY 2023

Church (CH)  
Fellowship Hall (FH)  
Family Room (FR)  
Office Building (OB)

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

30	31					1 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am
2 Worship Service (CH) 10:00am Korean Congregation Worship (CH) 12:30pm	3 Church Office Closed	4 U.S. Independence Day Church Office Closed	5	6	7	8
9 Worship Service (CH) 10:00am Council Meeting (OB) 11:30am Korean Congregation Worship (CH) 12:30pm	10	11	12	13	14 Church Office Closed	15 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am
16 Worship Service (CH) 10:00am Korean Congregation Worship (CH) 12:30pm	17	18	19	20	21 Church Office Closed	22
23 Worship Service (CH) 10:00am Korean Congregation Worship (CH) 12:30pm	24	25	26	27	28 Church Office Closed	29

## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF AND COUNCIL

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**Church Secretary**  
**Sexton**  
**Director of Music Ministries**  
**President**  
**Vice President**  
**Council Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
**Recording Financial Secretary**  
**Financial Secretary**

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Bill Jaichner  
Pam Sakala  
Paul Berinato  
Pat Berinato  
Marge Tomaselli

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**Christian Education**  
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Carrie Ralston  
Marge Tomaselli

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