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## Youth Group

**October 15**

**Crop Walk**

**2:00 Athens Community**

**Center**

**Pizza after at church.**

**October 22**

**Church @ 5:30**

**Bake and decorate  
cookie**

**October 29**

**Church @ 5:30**

**Pizza**

# What's Happening at Christ Lutheran Church

*Saint Francis of Assisi*

*Pet Blessing October 1st at 1pm*

Bring your cat, dog, sheep, fish, lizard or any other pet that you have on Sunday, October 1st in the back yard of the church and Pastor Chad will bless it.

## LSS Mobile Food

The monthly LSS mobile food pantry will be Thursday, October 12th at The Plains United Methodist Church from 11:00-noon. We are grateful to have members and coaches from the OU Women's Basketball team back as volunteers this fall. Volunteers help with food distribution and parking. All volunteers are needed at about 10:15. Questions can be directed to Adele Hanson, (740)707-8663.



## Crop Walk

The Athens CROP Walk will be Sunday, October 15th, 2:00 pm at the Athens Community Center rear of the solar panel parking lot. There is plenty of room to spread out for physical distancing. After a brief kickoff, walkers will proceed to the bike path. Larry's Dawg House ice cream will be waiting on the walkers as each one returns to the parking lot.

This year the local portion of the funds raised will be again be split between Athens County Food Pantry and Community Food Initiatives.

Sponsors are encouraged to write checks to CWS/CROP. Checks may be given to walkers or left in the church office. Another option for sponsoring is online at: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/>. Please clearly mark donations for CROPwalk.

If you want to be a walker or have questions contact Adele Hanson at [adelehanson@gmail.com](mailto:adelehanson@gmail.com) or 740-707-8663

# What's Happening at CLC Continued

## Communion at Lindley Inn

All are invited to join us Sunday, October 8 at 6PM at the Lindley Inn for Communion with our residents. Meet us there for a time of fellowship and the sacrament.



## October Birthdays

- 1- Joni Hodgson
- 2- Linda Batey
- 3- Cathi Schwalbauch
- 7- David Fosselman
- 10- Bonnie Childress
- 12- Chris Snoddy
- 16- Ben Juedes
- 16- Susan Roth
- 17- Donna Russell
- 25- Greg Newton
- 27- Sammy Huwe
- 30- Fran Synder
- 31- Charlotte Cutright

## Serenity Grove Open House October 15th

The CLC Impact Giving Grant awarded \$10,000 to Serenity Grove in March 2023. These funds were used to furnish the new addition to their residence. If you are interested in going and would like to carpool, please call Chris Snoddy at (740)593-3135 to arrange details. Please consider attending this Open House and to support this local charity and ministry.

## Thank-you

*Just wanted to write a thank-you to the people here at Christ Lutheran. The way that you all have welcomed me into this congregation has been amazing. From my first visit here, I felt the Holy Spirit alive, acting, and moving. I look forward to the future ahead and the ministry that God will do in, around, and through us.*

*God's grace and blessings,*

*David Fosselman*

# Notes from Social Committee

## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Prevention Month

According to the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), there are “. . . more than 10 million abuse victims annually. 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have been physically abused by an intimate partner, and 1 in 5 women and 1 in 7 men have been severely physically abused by an intimate partner.” Moreover, Domestic Violence in the home “can have long-lasting negative effects on children's emotional well-being, and social and academic functioning.” You can find many resources available online, and victims of Domestic Violence can call the Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233.

In Athens County, we have two resources, one being the Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program, which can be reached at 740-591-4266. Also, Christ Lutheran has supported My Sister's Place in many ways, including annual Benevolence funds, since the beginning of that program. My Sister's Place provides not only Emergency Shelter but also a 24/7 Hotline, Outreach Counseling, and Court Advocacy for victims. For a few years now they have also offered My Sister's Paws, so that victims do not have to leave their pets behind. For more information go to [www.mspathens.org](http://www.mspathens.org). Those seeking assistance can call 1-800-443-3402.



## Civic Life and Faith

The Civic Life and Faith Study will continue in October, with sessions being after the Sunday services on the 15th and 22nd.

Earth Justice

Season of Creation

Did you know that currently we are in the “Season of Creation,” a world-wide ecumenical celebration of God's Creation? ([www.seasonofcreation.org](http://www.seasonofcreation.org)). It began in September and on Sunday, October 1st, we will celebrate the culmination of the season with a Creation-focused worship service in the morning. Then we will have a Blessing of the Animals at 1:00 in the Backyard to honor God's creation and also St. Francis of Assisi, who taught us our place in the family of all created things. His feast day is October 4.

## Undies and Sweats

Again this fall, Social Ministry is organizing a fund raising campaign called “Undies and Sweats.” In recognition that occasionally elementary school age students may need a change of underwear or a pair of sweatpants during the school day, we are asking friends and members of the congregation to donate money for the Undies and Sweats Fund. At the end of October, we will gather up the donations and send the money to Athens County Children Services and their School Outreach Program, which has workers in most of the elementary schools in the area. They can use the funds to buy items that are needed for their building. To donate, go to the Give button on the church's webpage and pick out this category for your contribution. Cash or checks can be mailed to the church or placed in the offering plate in an envelope marked “Undies and Sweats.”



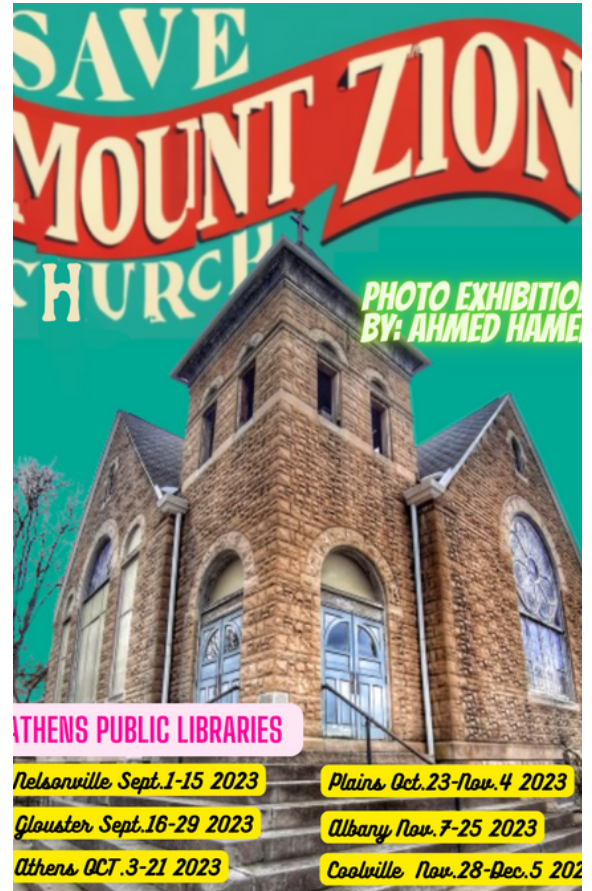
# Ministry Notes

Good Works is a wonderful local faith-based organization (for those of you who may be new to the area). One of the ways they address poverty is by providing a temporary residence for folks in need of housing. The residence, Timothy House, is located at 91 Central Ave. in Athens. October is one of the months when the Social Ministry Committee regularly collects items for the residence, so we are asking the congregation for donations of peanut butter, all kinds of soups, canned fruit and all types of canned vegetables except corn. To donate non-perishable items, please put them in the bin in the Church Narthex. Larger items and perishable items can be taken directly to Timothy House, but please call 740-594-3333 first to make sure someone is available to answer the door. Thank you!

And anyone who want to donate additional items can check their Needs List, found on the Timothy House web page under Give:

<https://good-works.net/the-timothy-house>

## Save the Date, Save the Church:



## A Review: September in Pictures





# Ministry Notes Continued:

**ATHENS & HOCKING COUNTY  
FALL 2023 RECYCLING DAYS**

**HOCKING COUNTY  
RECYCLING DAY**  
SAT. OCTOBER 14, 2023  
9AM – 1PM  
HOCKING CO. FAIRGROUNDS  
100 N HOMER AVE, LOGAN, OH 43138

**ATHENS COUNTY  
RECYCLING DAY**  
SAT. OCTOBER 21, 2023  
9AM – 1PM  
ATHENS CO. FAIRGROUNDS  
286 W. UNION ST, ATHENS, OH 45701

ATHENS-HOCKING  
SOLID WASTE  
DISTRICT

**ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR FREE**

HOUSEHOLD GOODS/FURNITURE  
CLOTHING/FABRICS/MATERIALS  
BOOKS/CDS/DVDS  
APPLIANCES/SMALL HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES\*  
E-WASTE (COMPUTERS, MONITORS, WIRES, PRINTERS,  
CELL PHONES, TABLETS, LAPTOPS)

SCRAP METAL (MISC. METAL ITEMS)  
TOOLS & BUILDING MATERIALS  
BATTERIES (PLEASE TAPE LEAD ACID & LITHIUM ION)  
MEDICAL SUPPLIES (NO RX)  
SINGLE STREAM RECYCLABLES  
MATTRESSES/BOX SPRINGS

\*REFRIGERATORS, AIR CONDITIONERS, AND DEHUMIDIFIERS HAVE FREON AND CANNOT BE RECYCLED AT THIS TIME WITHOUT FREON REMOVED. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR HEATING AND COOLING PROFESSIONAL TO REMOVE FREON FROM APPLIANCES.

**ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR A FEE**

FLAT SCREEN TVS	\$20
TUBE TVS	\$40
FLOURESCENT TUBE	50¢
COMPACT BULB	50¢

**GOT TIRES?  
RECYCLE THEM!**

WITH RIMS	\$4
WITHOUT RIMS	50¢

**PAPER SHREDDING  
WILL BE AVAILABLE!**

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## Scrap Metal Drive, Rummage Sale

**Scrap Metal Drive: Saturday, October 21, 2023, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.** at the Athens County Fairgrounds. *This is a fundraiser for the Faith Build Coalition of Habitat for Humanity of SE Ohio. Bring aluminum, brass, copper, and ferrous scrap metal items such as small appliances, broken or rusted tools or bikes, lawn mowers, etc. It is part of the Athens-Hocking Solid Waste District's fall recycling day. See the attached flyers for items you can bring.*

**Rummage Sale: Saturday, November 4, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.** at the Christ the King Holy Family Center behind the church. *Donate clothing, household goods, toys, and decorations. Drop off donations on Thursday, November 2, from 10 a.m.- 7 p.m. and Friday, November 3, from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Donate, shop, and support the Faith Build Coalition's next home building project! Volunteers are desperately needed for the Chauncey Build: Construction work is currently being done inside the home on Wednesdays through Saturdays, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Register online to volunteer (no experience needed) at Volunteer (habitatseo.org).*

*Thanks so much for all your hard work!*

Chris Snoddy







*(Pharisees ask Jesus) "Teacher, which commandment is the greatest?" He said to them, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all of your heart, and with all your soul, and with all of your mind.' This is the greatest commandment. And the second is just like it: 'You should love your neighbor as yourself,' On these two commandments hang all law and the prophets."*

*- Matthew 22:36-40*

# Treasurer's Report

Budget Line	July 1 - Aug 31, 2023 Actual	FY 23-24 Budget
<b>Revenue</b>		
Total 4000 Contributed support	50,642	257,440
Total 4500 Designated Contributions, non-LLC	456	
4515 Anticipated Impact Giving/Benevolence Funds, LLC		24,377
Total 5000 Business Income	-	1,000
5510 Interest-savings/short-term inv	25	100
5520 Miscellaneous revenue	40	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>51,163</b>	<b>282,917</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Total 7100 Personnel	29,174	218,719
Total 8100 Programs	1,038	12,800
Total 8150 General Business Expenses	1,569	7,600
Total 8200 Facilities	4,826	33,000
8298 Council Action		200
8300 Benevolence		
8301 Designated Giving	653	
8310 Southern Ohio Synod Allocation		12,000
8370 Local Benevolences	650	12,377
8389 Emergency Assistance	975	
Total 8300 Benevolence	2,278	24,377
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>38,885</b>	<b>296,696</b>
<b>Net Operating Revenue</b>	<b>12,278</b>	<b>(13,779)</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>		
4585 Special Music Fund	3,500	3,500
4586 Mus Dir Donation Council Use	7,500	7,500
5511 Unrealized Profit/Loss in Investment Accts.	372	
Total Other Revenue	11,372	11,000
<b>Other Expenditures</b>		
8115 Special Music Concert	3,500	3,500
8116 Music Dir In-kind Council Designation	7,500	7,500
8261 Depreciation Expense	4,494	
Total Other Expenditures	15,494	11,000
Net Other Revenue	(4,122)	-
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>8,156</b>	<b>(13,779)</b>



# Worship Leaders - October

	1-Oct	8-Oct	15-Oct	22-Oct	29-Oct
Assisting Minister	Wanda Weinberg	Jane Unger	Doug Debrick	Ellen Peterson	Pam Cochran
Tray Server	Ellen Peterson	Mike Cleland	Chris Snoddy	Pat Cambridge	Greg Newton
Time with Children	Jana Hovland	Kay Cleland	Puppets	Cheryl Huebner	Jane Unger
Ushers	Karl Runser	Tim Prange	Rod Sauer	Nick Clausen	Bruce Kuhre
	Mary Kay Runser	Marilyn Shealy	Sue Ellen Miller	John Laughlin	Dan Snoddy
	Tammy Thompson	Linda Batey	Wanda Weinberg	Mike Cleland	Chris Snoddy
Live Stream	Kay Cleland	Sam Hanson	Marilyn Shealy	Doug Debrick	Kay Cleland
Acolyte	Rachel	Meena	Eliza	Dessa	Melody
Greeter	Mark Sunderman	Jeanne Haseley	Linda Batey	Rachel Prange	Pam Cochran
Children's Church	David Fosselman	David Fosselmann	Chris Snoddy	Kay Cleland	Tammy Thompson



Do not neglect  
to **do good** and to  
**share** what you have,  
for such **sacrifices**  
are **pleasing** to God.

HEBREWS 13:16, NRSV



**Our Purpose:**

*Connecting People to People, People to Faith, Faith to Life*

**Our Mission:**

*As followers of Jesus Christ, we at Christ Lutheran Church seek to share God's Word, to show God's love, and to serve God's world, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

**Our Vision:**

*A world experiencing the difference of God's grace and love in Christ makes for all the God's people and creation.*