

The Sentinel



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Lest We Forget

Last summer when Doris and I were in California on vacation, we happened to be in a store in Modesto when I noticed an elderly gentleman using a walker. What caught my attention was the cap he was wearing; it was a cap frequently worn by veterans indicating branch of service and specific area of service. His cap indicated he had served with the Merchant Marine in WWII. Although not recognized as an official branch of our military, during times of war the Merchant Marine becomes an auxiliary of the Navy to transport troops and material. It was the Merchant Marine that manned the Liberty Ships which in convoys carried the necessary cargo to both the European and Pacific Theaters of war. The Merchant Marine also supplied our allies with food and other necessary supplies to continue the fight against the Axis powers.

The contribution and sacrifice of the Merchant Marine has not really been recognized. The war could not have been won without them, and the Mariners died at a rate of 1 in 24, which was the highest rate of casualties of any service. 733 American cargo ships were lost and 8,651 of the 215,000 who served perished in the war. Yet it wasn't until 1988 by order of a federal court that Merchant Mariners were granted veteran status. I walked over to this gentleman and thanked him for his service.

I have a personal interest in the Merchant Marine as my uncle, my mom's brother, served in the Merchant Marine in WWII. After Pearl Harbor, my uncle Al tried to enlist in the Navy, but he was rejected. He had polio when he was 10 and one leg was 5 inches shorter than the other. He served in the Merchant Marine for the duration of the war, surviving the loss of two of his ships.

I raise all of this to remind us that with much of the "Greatest Generation" now in their 80s and 90s, at least 500 veterans of WWII are dying every day. By the year 2036, the VA estimates that there will no longer be any living veterans from the conflict.

On Sunday, November 9, we will be honoring all our veterans, including some from WWII. I urge you to be part of this.

Pastor Rich

Coming Events

- NOV. 1 GOLF
- NOV. 8 CRAFT FAIR
- NOV. 15 SANCTUARY CLEANING
- NOV. 23 THANKS FOR GIVING LUNCH
- NOV. 25 THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT 7 P.M.

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Veterans' Observance on November 9



**We will salute
our veterans on
Nov. 9.**

In observance of Veterans Day, Nov. 11, Central Lutheran and Boy Scout Troop 862 will honor former service men in a ceremony at 10:15 on Sunday, Nov. 9, preceding the morning worship service.

Those to be recognized, their family and friends are asked to arrive early and sit in the

special section on the lector side of the sanctuary.

Forms are in the narthex for the information needed for the program and must be turned in to the church office or emailed by November 6 to the following:

central.lutheran.dallas@gmail.com or
annemon@sbcglobal.net

Please include on the form name, rank, branch

served, date and location of service and indicate whether you or the person you invite will attend.

Absent or deceased family and friends may also be among those remembered. Add your name to the form and list how you are related.

-Anne Monson

Do you enjoy singing?

Do you enjoy Christmas Music?

Come be a part of our Christmas Choir. Join with the Senior Choir in our Sunday, December 14th offering of Advent and Christmas music in our 10:30 a. m. worship service.

Rehearsals are beginning now. Join with us for this period of time and enjoy singing and sharing the beautiful music of the season.

If you are interested, and would like more information, please contact Larry McCain at larrymccain@sbcglobal.net or 214-675-7986.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo!

Larry McCain

Time for Our Commitments to Giving

Sunday, November 23 — an important day for Central Lutheran members. That's when we present our pledge cards for 2015 and the Spiritual Gifts forms, indicating where we choose to serve in the coming year.

A potluck luncheon in the Fellowship Hall will be held to celebrate this special

once-a-year occasion.

Families and couples are asked to bring two dishes; singles, one dish. Drinks will be provided.

The customary cookie exchange will be held by Lydia Circle — just in time for holiday entertaining.

Sign the sheet by the cof-

fee urn in the Education Bldg., indicating the kind of cookies and how many you're bringing (by 9 a.m. that Sunday).

And, by all means, plan to take home dozens of the freshly-baked goodies for neighbors and family.

White Rock Center Prepares for Holidays

To that headline, add: With Your Help.

When we help White Rock (and the church sends them a monthly donation), then they can help their clients with the following: groceries, (gently used) clothing —

up to five outfits, assistance with rent and utility payments, gas vouchers and/or bus passes, help with prescription medicines, counseling on handling crises, references to government and/or social service agencies that

might be able to assist.

Also, the Gift Shop welcomes your contribution of knick-knacks, books, CDs, collectible items, home accessories.

And don't forget TOYS. It's that time.

Come to the Craft Fair!

Youth Orchestra Warming Up

We are excited about our Youth Orchestra and the plans for playing soon at a morning worship service.

Comprising players from 7th grade through 12th grade, we are rehearsing regularly on Sundays after church, and are busy with numbers for the Christ the King Sunday service on November 23.

Here's the lineup of our musicians!

Violin: **Jenna Nagorzan-**



ski, Garrett Nagorzanski, Peder Johnson

Flute: **Allison Cannatti, Isabelle Barse**

Clarinet: **Alden Barse**

Saxophone: **Reed Buie, Andrew Nixon**

Guitar: **Joel Green**

Trumpet: **Noah Pearson**

French Horn: **Mick Atkins**

Tuba: **Joseph Nixon**

We still have openings, and would be glad to talk with you about becoming a member of the orchestra.

Contact Larry McCain, [214-675-7986](tel:214-675-7986) or larrymccain@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions.

Dec. 6 is the date for decorating the sanctuary for the Christmas season. Can you help? Let Anne Monson know.

Children's Choir: Fun and Games

Central's Children's Choir is in full swing. We've been getting to know one another while playing fun name games, experimenting with different sounds our voices can make and practicing our rhythmic skills with beat-keeping activities and instruments.

We've also been learning how to sit at a stand in correct

choral posture, working on proper breathing to ensure the best possible tone and listening to one another to blend our voices for a unified sound.

We've worked hard to learn and memorize our first Hymn of the Month, *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* by Handt Hanson. The Children's Choir will be leading the con-

gregation during the prelude at an early November service.

Anyone in first to sixth grade who would like to join the choir? Contact Amy Kjørlien at amye_2@yahoo.com or call 214-686-4264.

We thank you for your prayers and your continued support.

—Amy Kjørlien, Director

SANCTUARY

CLEANING

JOT DOWN THE DATE: SATURDAY, NOV. 15—SANCTUARY CLEANING FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON. ALL WELCOME!

Who's Serving in November?

Communion Assistants: Judy Koble and Phillip Cannatti.

Altar Guild: Julie Atkins and Lisa Barse.

Karla Buie will be Lector on Nov. 9. Other Sundays are open.

Greeters and Children's Sermon volunteers are

needed. Sign the posted sheets in the Education Bldg. by the coffee counter.

The Pearsons will provide flowers on Nov. 16; Joan Pritchett on the 23rd along with Bruce and Jean Staffeld.

Ushers are Charles Oldfield, Larry and Nancy An-

glin and Jeff Pierce.

Acolytes: 2-Isabelle Barse and Katherine Koble; 9-Ethan Krampitz and Alex Blaine; 16-Allison and Wesley Cannatti; 23-Joel Green and Leon Heymeier; 30-Noah and Wyatt Pearson.



High Schoolers, watch for the announcements about meeting at Starbucks on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour.



John Jones and Lisa Groothuis exchanged vows at Lovers Lane United Methodist Church on Oct. 4. Pastor Rich performed the ceremony. Best wishes to the newlyweds!

November Celebrations

- It's birthday time for the following:
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| 3-Tom Hetzer | Alden Barse | 23-Joan Pritchett, Nathaniel Bruick |
| 4-David Brown, Joshua Brown | 12-David Pearson, Samuel Mendenhall | 24-Eugene Straach, Tina Smith |
| 5-Larry McCain | 13-Sam Carusi | 27-Tina Barrett, Ann Graham |
| 7-Mike Moore | 15-Michael Samples | 29-John Jones |
| 8-Bob McNulty | 16-Gracie Farley | 30-April Matthews |
| 9-Marilyn Green, | 17-Bryce Staffeld | |
| | 20-Judy Koble | |
| | 22-Yuvonne Muirhead | |

IF YOU WISH TO SCHEDULE A BAPTISM, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE, 214-327-2222.

Baptism and Membership Dates

- Baptized in other years in November: Robert Brown, LeAnn Oxley, Sam Carusi, Steve Haynie, Harold Jones, Brian Meggers, Lauren Graham, Beth Garcia, Ann Graham and Samuel Mendenhall.
- Those who also became members at CLC are:
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| Charlie Oldfield — 1938 | Michael Phillips — 1980 | Ed and KJ Fiducia, Amanda, Bobby and Dean Galloway, Bert, Jennifer, Ben and Leah Hart and Carol Lamberson— 2004 |
| Ted Steinke — 1960 | Greg Boatwright — 1981 | Mike and Abby Moore— 2007 |
| Cathy and Cheryl Jones — 1976 | David Graham, David Brown — 1989 | Ken and Starleen Frye, Joel, Mary and Steven Glenn, Alexandra, Dirk Heymeier, Lawrence Howells and David Inkrote — 2012 |
| | Michael and Trudie Paschetag — 1992 | |
| | Larry and Diane McCain, Alan and Maren Nagorzanski and Mary Whisler — 1994 | |
| | Charlotte Danielson, Mark and Tanya Johnson, LeRoy Wing — 1995 | |
| | Vivian Curry — 1999 | |



Anniversaries

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| Dan and Marlyn Krampitz - 19 years on Nov. 4 | 26 years on the 19th |
| Noell and James Strahan — 13 years on the 10th | Tina Smith and Donna Eaton — 1 year on the 22nd |
| John and Norma Sanders — 58 years on the 17th | Lauren and Cory Plunk — 5 years on the 25th |
| Clay and Lisa Barse—25 years on the 18th | Rick and Beth Garcia — 27 years on the 28th |
| David and Amy Brown — | Robert and Lori Schwenn — 22 years on the 28th |

Confirmations

- Remembering their Confirmation in past Novembers:
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| Jim Kuchera | Joy Bruick |
| Harold Jones | Jan Moody |
| Vivian Curry | Jack Morgan |
| Judy Nash | Frances Goodson |
| | Ralph Parker |

Come to the Craft Fair!

Saturday, November 8

9:00am-4:00pm

Bring your friends and join us for a variety of vendors.

There are still a few spaces available.

All proceeds benefit the youth attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Detroit next summer.

Community Service Opportunities

We will once again this year be hosting a **Salvation Army Angel Tree**. When we post the Angels, take one (or more), shop for them and return the unwrapped gifts to the church. Your gifts will help make a child's Christmas very special.

We will also be collecting money for **Bryan's House**. Bryan's House is an organization that helps children and families affected by AIDS/HIV. Be looking for the Little Red Socks hanging in the narthex of the church very soon.

We still have **food bags** available in the back of the church that you can take and give to people on street corners and in parking lots that look like they could use some help. Take one or two at a time, we'll make more!

December Activities Filling the Calendar

Join us Saturday, December 6 for an **Advent Workshop and Parent's Day Out**.

The teens of the church will be hosting the younger children for crafts, activities, lunch, and games. Parents are welcome to leave your children and enjoy a day together. This will be a fundraiser for the ELCA National Youth Gathering.

The **Advent Retreat at Briarwood Retreat Center** for 4th-6th graders is set for Saturday, December 13-Sunday, December 14. The cost is \$60. There will be games, crafts, food, and fun.

The deadline to sign up is Sunday, November 23.

The **Children's Christmas Program** is right around the corner. We are currently looking for an assistant director who will eventually take over the direction of the Christmas Program. If you are interested, please let Jennifer Nixon know.



Help us fill our "piggy" bank.

We would love to have your spare change to help us get to Detroit for the National Youth Gathering. Collect your change and put it in our piggy bank in the back of the church each Sunday. If it helps you can take a brown paper bag and every night when you empty your pockets, put your change in the bag. When the bag is full, bring it to church and put it in our container.



Sunday at Starbucks will be Sunday, November 9. We have been having wonderful Fellowship and discussions. We will meet at 9:00am at the Starbucks in Casa Linda at Buckner and Garland Road. We will not meet in December so we can use the time to prepare for the Children's Christmas Program.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING UPDATE

ALL YOUTH PLANNING TO ATTEND THE YOUTH GATHERING IN DETROIT NEXT SUMMER (JULY 15-19) SHOULD TURN IN THEIR \$200 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

Pastor Rich Pounds
Music Director Larry McCain
Youth Director Jennifer Nixon

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Sunday School, Adult Forum 9:00
Worship Service 10:30
Communion-1st, 3rd, 5th and
Festival Sundays

Mission Statement: God calls us to
proclaim the Gospel and
demonstrate Christ's love for all.

Thanks to **Dr. Harold Knight**, who ably managed our Organist-Choir Director duties on Sunday, October 19. Harold is a recently retired Southern Methodist University Professor of Rhetoric. He also served as Organist-Director of St. Paul Lutheran, Farmers Branch, for many years. He is currently enjoying an active retirement— tutoring university athletes and practicing on the pipe organ in his home. Thanks, Harold!

Director of Music **Larry McCain's** weekend away (Oct 18-19) was a busy one. Larry and his college roommate, **David Lowe**, conducted a Church Organist Workshop at Trinity Baptist Church, Amarillo. on Saturday. On Sunday, David and Larry performed at First Baptist, Amarillo, where David has served as Associate Minister of Music/Organist for more than 30 years.

Here & There

Lutheran Sunset Ministries' Rodney Rueter (President and CEO) sends a monthly thank-you for the church's gift to this Clifton facility. "We at Sunset — board, staff and residents — need the commitment of congregations like you to support this ministry. Without this support we could not maintain the commitment to our mission of 'serving our residents

with respect and dignity in a Christian environment,'" his letter states.

Charlotte Sommers Albano died on Sept. 4. The eldest child of John and Esther Sommers, Charlotte along with her parents were charter members of Central.

She lived near her daughters, Joyce and Carol in Houston. Her son, Frank, lives in Seat-

tle. Her sister and brother-in-law are Margaret and Sophus Thompson of Houston.

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"Those who bring sunshine to the life of others cannot keep it from themselves."

-Mario Montejo's collected sayings.

Purpose of *The Sentinel*, monthly newsletter for members, prospective members and friends, is to inform and share news about the ministries and activities of CLC and the people who worship here.
-Reba Liner, Editor