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**CLC KIDS
STARTS SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15th!**

**SEPTEMBER
2019
NEWSLETTER**

In the Year of Our Lord 2019

THE TURNING POINT

As our initial CLC Community Carnival approached, I was struck by the possibility that this could be a turning point for the congregation: Sixty-five CLC volunteers united in a ministry to the people of Millvale. CLC providing an affordable family event for the community. CLC reaching out to serve others. Not doing it to make money or support the budget. But *agape*, revealed by Jesus as giving without expecting anything in return.

And it happened!!!

At least three hundred people came on a beautiful summer day to enjoy games and prizes, a giant slide, food and drink galore, fire trucks, and music.

Mandy Freiss, Ginger Worst, and an amazing Carnival Ministry Team organized and led a dedicated group of CLC volunteers in serving the community in the name of Jesus Christ.

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THE TURNING POINT

A turning point.

We discovered we have it in us to do great things. United as a congregation, we showed the community that we are here to serve in the name of the one who came to serve us. We can trust in our ability to do more than we ever thought possible.

We had more people volunteer for the CLC Community Carnival than used to attend worship less than two years ago.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus tells us, "The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father."

Believe!

A turning point.

God's Peace,

Pastor Scott

Scott M. Olbert, Pastor, CLC Millvale

Due to CLC Social Hall Construction, members and guests are encouraged to practice Safety First. Please use the LADIES and MENS RESTROOMS on the OFFICE LEVEL. Please do not enter the Social Hall during Summer Construction.



NEW CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Regretfully, we accepted the resignation of Judy Alberth as a member of the Congregational Council. We thank Judy for her years of service.

Sheila Papale was appointed to fill her term through the end of this year. Sheila will be eligible for a full term in 2020.

Welcome Sheila!

NEW COOKS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE

Because of transitions at The Grant Bar, Rory Benz needs to back away from cooking for us at our Neighborhood Table and fellowship events. It is a loss, because Rory has faithfully served us nourishing meals for many years.

Stepping up to take Rory's place are Mike Rios and Pam Farbacher. Mike will soon be opening a restaurant in Etna, *The Rear End*. Pam is known to the congregation through her assisting our First Communion Kids bake their loaves of bread on their special Sunday.

Neighborhood Table will resume in the newly renovated **Gathering Place** this October.



20" Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me."
Revelation 3:20

IS IT TIME TO BECOME A MEMBER AT CLC?

If you've been visiting and want to move deeper into the life at CLC, consider becoming a member. Our faith community is growing in so many ways. And we are blessed when new people with new perspectives join with us. We would like to receive new members in the near future. Please speak with Pastor Scott!



CLC AWARDED GRANTS

Pastor Scott, Deb Olbert, and Tina Galieto recently attended the Millvale Ecodistrict meeting where \$10,000 in grants were available in various areas of ecological and "green" projects.

Tina was awarded a grant for \$1,000 for our "Original Stay-At-Home-Work-Camp" for their commitment to cleaning up Gurty's Run next summer.

Pastor Scott and Deb were awarded a \$2,000 grant for The Millvale Community Counseling Center for removing mobility barriers to counseling by establishing counseling services in Millvale.

HIGHER GROUND LAUNCHED ON SEPTEMBER 7

Eighty-six people attended the launch of Higher Ground! People sang out, applauded the songs, and children danced to the music. It was a joyous, upbeat and energizing experience. In keeping with the current contemporary style of worship, four TV monitors showed the lyrics to the songs with inspiring graphics along the way.

Check it out! If you're tied up on Sunday morning, if you're looking for a different worship experience, if you want worship that will appeal to your teens, if you want to invite friends to CLC, then Higher Ground is for you. Pastor Scott is on piano and vocals; Jason Mileto plays bass guitar; Pat Bauer on djembe and vocals; Frank Mileto and Troy Chambers alternate in drums; Michael Wach on acoustic guitar and vocals; and Vince Beatty and Al Bowers alternate on lead guitar.

Childcare is provided, so come to worship and then head to dinner or an evening activity!



Millvale

COMMUNITY COUNSELING CENTER



AFFORDABLE COUNSELING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

The Millvale Community Counseling Center is a safe and welcoming place where Children, Teens, Parents, Adults, Couples and Families from Millvale, Etna, Shaler and surrounding neighborhoods can find comfort, support and healing from life's struggles.

Are you struggling? We can help you with:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Loneliness
- Grief
- Low Confidence
- Low Self-Esteem
- Family Conflict
- Abuse
- Marriage & Relationships
- Past Trauma
- Peer Pressure
- Bullying
- Parenting Difficulties
- Faith & Spiritual Development
- And many more

- ▶ Convenient walkable location—Easy to access by bus or car
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Beginning September 17

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9AM to 1PM Monday through Friday

**Millvale
Community Counseling Center
at CLC Millvale**

917 Evergreen Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15209

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

NORTHWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH AND CLC

Pastor Scott Stevens, Lead Pastor of Northway, and I met in boxing class. We've become good friends, meeting monthly for lunch and conversation about congregational ministry.

Recently, **Outreach** magazine named Northway one of the 100 fastest growing churches in the country.

Erin Stevens (Pastor Scott's daughter), Director of Early Childhood education at Northway, met with our CLC Kids Team and spent two evenings training our CLC Teachers in our new curriculum.

Pastor Scott and Erin have offered whatever we need to help with next summer's summer program for children and in the development of small groups.

What this support and cooperation gives us is an insight into "best practices" from a congregation that is on the cutting edge of evangelism and ministry.

For example, because of a conversation with Pastor Scott, we are launching a Sensory Room as part of our CLC Kids ministry. For children on the autism spectrum, we will have a calming, safe, and fun room for them if they should need a quiet time during the morning.

Welcome to CLC KIDS!

No more Sunday School! Welcome to CLC Kids!



The meaning of "Orange" . . .
Yellow is for the Church, and Red is for Home . . .
Together they make Orange.



Here this fall is a totally new concept in children and teen educational ministry. The **Orange Curriculum** incorporates social media platforms and multi-media approaches to learning about Jesus and the Kingdom of God. This curriculum supports CLC's #1 goal for 2019 by creating "children's ministry that kids do not want to leave." This combines with the Orange Curriculum's goal of "a children's ministry curriculum created to make a difference in the next generation that's going to last a lifetime." Our focus will be to engage kids and partner with parents, so that our youth have a church experience that will make them want to return again and again! **The Orange Curriculum incorporates child development and sound Biblical teaching that covers every phase of a child's life.**

CLC KIDS INVITE PARENT ASSISTANTS

We have a great CLC Kids Team of sixteen teachers who will instruct our children this fall 8:30 on Sunday mornings. We are looking for parents willing to rotate through as assistants: helping children to the bathroom, supervising class participation, and helping out our teachers. We will be asking parents to sign up, so be ready to say YES!

At the Faith and Family Café

FOURTEEN BUILDING BLOCKS to a
GRACE~FILLED LIFE

Faith and Family Café starts a new year at 8:30 Sunday mornings beginning on September 15th.

From September 15th thru December 15th we examine the foundational building blocks in a spiritually and psychologically sound life. Each level has a psychological strength that is connected to a corresponding spiritual strength. Here's an initial look at the first 8 building blocks:

SEPTEMBER 15: FALLING BACKWARDS

The Psychological Strength: Trust

The Spiritual Strength: Faith

SEPTEMBER 22: **STANDING ON YOUR OWN TWO FEET**

The Psychological Strength: Holding on and letting go

The Spiritual Strength: Acceptance of Self and Non-judgment

SEPTEMBER 29: IMAGINING WHO I CAN BE

The Psychological Strength:	Initiative
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The Spiritual Strength: Service

OCTOBER 6: LOOK WHAT I CAN DO!

The Psychological Strength: **Mastery and Competence**

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Prior to January, 2020, we will offer everyone the opportunity to complete the Myers-Briggs Personality Inventory (MBTI). The MBTI is the most widely-used personality inventory in both the business and religious worlds.

We encourage everyone to be a part of the MBTI course. It will be an incredible aid to communication and team-building within our congregation and a powerful asset for your own growth as a person, for your relationships, and for your life of faith. ***And you will have lots of fun!!!!***



**Enjoy fun and
fellowship,
also food from
The Cupcake and
Cookie
Company.**

OCTOBER 13: FINDING MYSELF

The Psychological Strength: Personal Identity

The Spiritual Strength: Devotion and Faithfulness

OCTOBER 20: BEING PRESENT

The Psychological Strength: Intimacy

The Spiritual Strength: Inhabiting the Kingdom of God

OCTOBER 27: CARING FOR MY WORLD

The Psychological Strength: Generativity

The Spiritual Strength: Giving and Nurturing

NOVEMBER 3: LOOKING BACK AND AHEAD

The Psychological Strength: Integrity

The Spiritual strength: Personal Wisdom

COURSE LEADERS: **Scott Olbert** is an ordained Lutheran Pastor and a Pastoral Psychotherapist. He served congregations for forty years and served Limina Institute as President. Pastor Scott also has worked as a consultant and workshop leader. He was among the first group of religious professionals to be trained by Alban Institute in the use of the MBTI. **Deb Olbert** has worked as an elementary school teacher, middle-school guidance counselor, as an Adjunct Faculty member at Illinois State University, and as a counselor with Limina Institute.

Pastor Scott's Day Off is Monday

*And she gave birth to
her firstborn son and
wrapped him in bands
of cloth, and laid
him in a manger,
because there was no
place for
them in the inn.*

Luke 2:7

Advent All-Family Workshop

Prepare for Christmas with our first Advent All-Family Workshop. Families, Couples, and single adults are invited to create their own unique Advent Wreath. We'll send you home with Devotional Material, too. Right after worship on Sunday, November 24th, in the newly renovated Gathering Place!

HEADS UP TO CLC KIDS' PARENTS ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Along with a new curriculum and a new name (CLC Kids), we'll be making a change to the Christmas program. In fact, there will be no Christmas program as we have known it.

This year, we will present "A CLC Christmas to Remember" on Saturday, December 14, at 7:00pm as a free concert to the public. The concert is part of our mission to reach out to the community and invite people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and the CLC faith community. The Christmas concert will include CLC Kids Choir, the Adult Choir, *SoulSpirit* (the Higher Ground band), and Ring Pittsburgh, the city's premier Hand Bell Choir.

Pat Bauer, our Children's Choir Director, will begin teaching the CLC Kids their four songs that will be part of the concert. Because of these rehearsals at the beginning of CLC Kids at 8:30, we will presently suspend the kids singing the first Sunday of each month.

For your child to have the honor of singing at this concert, he or she will need to attend the majority of rehearsals at the beginning of CLC Kids. We want to save your child the embarrassment of standing in front of a church full of people and standing slack-jawed while other children festively sing Christmas songs. We thank you ahead of time for your understanding and cooperation.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT *Higher Ground*

The ongoing success of *Higher Ground*, our 5PM Saturday Contemporary Worship, is largely dependent on the members of CLC. **So how can you help?**

1. Consider worshipping at *Higher Ground* for the first two months. Attend on Saturday evening.

Attend both Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

2. Invite people in your relationship circle to check it out. Even in this day of social media, most people visit a church because they have been invited.

3. Share *Higher Ground* posts on social media with your FB friends.

4. When you attend, keep your focus on new faces. Visitors return because they have experienced three connections: you introducing yourself, shaking hands, inviting them to check out the Welcome Place (soon to be up-and-running in the narthex), asking if they have any questions about the service, the congregation, our approach to the faith, and inviting them back after the service has concluded. The Christian faith is relational.

Your welcome to the stranger makes all the difference.

5. Pray that *Higher Ground* will serve to further the Kingdom of God in Millvale.

*Yet more than
ever believers were
added to the Lord,
great numbers of both
men and women . . .*
Acts 5:14

Visitation Ministry

Steve Slepecki, our Minister of Visitation, reports that 24 Shut-In visits have been completed, including Communion during the month of August. This involves significant energy and time, and is most appreciated. Thanks to Steve and Julie Slepecki, Bernadette Thompson and Amy Shaufl for bringing the love of Christ and Congregation to our Shut-Ins. *Thank you for your commitment to this ministry!*

THE CLC WEBSITE

Our Webmistress, Shareen Jordan, has spent many hours recently updated our website: www.clcmillvale.com. Take some time to peruse this lovely and informative site.

There's a great photo of the CLC Carnival volunteers on the front page. And, be sure, to tell friends to take a look, too!

VETS AND PETS

Becky Nyren attended a Veterans Breakfast and spoke of CLC as an appropriate worship site for Vets with Pets.

With our side aisles, Vets with Pets are free to stand, walk around, or sit with plenty of space around them. So, if Vets with Pets show up at worship, be prepared to welcome them!

And remember, these dogs are service animals. Treat them as such.



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram - #CLCMillvale

September Birthdays

1		16	Timothy Kremer Jared Hischemellor
2	Justin Weinbrenner	17	Autumn Michalski
3		18	Michael Suchma Alayna Getchell
4	Joseph Imhoff Raine Pritchard	19	
5		20	Virginia Worst Alyssa Juzwick George Renaldi
6	Matthew Hahn	21	
7		22	Charles Eidenmiller
8	Alexis Trischler Becky Nyren	23	Bradley Paulik
9	Russell Smith Sr.	24	Vincenzo Jansen Sharon Taylor
10	Ida May Steedle Michaela Hischemellor Raymer Mertz	25	Daniel Weiher
11	Cheryl Webb Marilee Oesterling	26	Rachel Benn Luna Vanderhoof
12	Bridget Conroy	27	Bette Conroy Nathan Ebeling Joshua Smith
13		28	Roy Setzenfand
14	Daniel Blum Brandon Cerra	29	Rhonda Pfeffer
15	Patricia Beall Lori Benvenuto Zachary Paulik Zachary Jansen Emma Strafalone	30	William Geidel Larry Weiher Renee Pullen

¹³For it was you who
formed my inward
parts; you knit me
together in my
mother's womb.
¹⁴I praise you, for I
am fearfully and
wonderfully made.
Psalm 139:13-14

September 2019 Calendar at CLC

Sunday, September 1 **9:30AM Traditional Worship; 4PM Adult Bible Study**

Monday, September 2 Labor Day; Office Closed; No Yoga
Friday, September 6 1-3PM, Girl Scouts; 7:30PM NA, Library

Saturday, September 7 9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Library
5PM, HIGHER GROUND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sunday, September 8 **RALLY DAY; Breakfast at 11AM; 9:30AM Traditional Worship with Bishop Kurt Kusserow; CLC KIDS Pre-School-High School; 10:30AM and 4PM Adult Bible Studies**

Monday, September 9 6:15PM Yoga; 7PM Pain Support
Tuesday, September 10 **7PM, Hannah Circle Meeting in the Library**
Wednesday, September 11 2-4PM Brownies
Friday, September 13 7:30PM NA, Library

Saturday, September 14 9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Library
5PM, HIGHER GROUND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sunday, September 15 **9:30AM Traditional Worship; CLC KIDS Pre-School-Grade School; Hannah Circle Meeting in the Library after Worship; 10:30AM and 4PM Adult Bible Studies**

Monday, September 16 6:15PM Yoga; **7PM Council Meeting**
Tuesday, September 17 **Millvale Community Counseling Center Service Hours begin: OPEN 1PM to 8PM at CLC**

Friday, September 20 1-3PM, Girl Scouts; 7:30PM NA, Library
Saturday, September 21 9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Library
5PM, HIGHER GROUND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sunday, September 22 **9:30AM Traditional Worship; CLC KIDS Pre-School-High School; 10:30AM and 4PM Adult Bible Studies**

Monday, September 23 6:15PM Yoga; 7PM Pain Support
Wednesday, September 15 2-4PM Brownies
Friday, September 27 7:30PM NA, Library
Saturday, September 28 9AM AA, Library; 7PM NA, Library
5PM, HIGHER GROUND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sunday, September 29 **9:30AM Traditional Worship; CLC KIDS Pre-School-Grade School; 10:30AM and 4PM Adult Bible Studies**

Monday, September 30 6:15PM Yoga;

Thanks to Sherrie Lane for her dedication in keeping the Calendar!!

NEWS FLASH . . .

On September 15th, CLC Kids Sunday, we will give Bibles to our children and install our CLC Kids staff. But the big news is that the sermon song will be Creed's "(Children) Don't Stop Dancing". We invite all our kids and their parents to dance during the song to celebrate the love we have for one another.

TECH SAVVY PEOPLE NEEDED IMMEDIATELY!

CLC is moving into the technological age in the sanctuary, the Social Hall (The Gathering Place) and in our CLC Kids ministry. Monitors in all locations will support worship, fellowship, and education in a variety of ways.

Are you already tech savvy? Are you looking to improve your tech skills?

Hollowood Sounds and Music is installing our monitors and will be training volunteers for the ministry.

Sign up for the Tech Team on Sunday morning or speak to Paul Bell, Tim Wach, or Pastor Scott.

IF YOU WANT TO HEAR THE SERMON, NOW YOU CAN!

We love having children—and lots of them—at worship, and we want parents to be spiritually nurtured by worship, prayer, and preaching. **Our Nursery is up and running for Saturday and Sunday worship Services.** Not only that, the **Nursery is staffed by qualified childcare providers** who supply consistent and competent childcare Sunday after Sunday during Worship. You'll find the Nursery next to the CLC Choir rehearsal room.

*The hearing ear and
the seeing eye —
the LORD has made
them both.
Proverbs 20:12*

COME INVITE WELCOME SERVE

The first 3 words of this Credo help us to fulfill the 4th, and in Serving, we fill our hearts with Christ and His Great Commission to spread His teachings to humanity. What a Mission! When you Welcome, let another see Christ in your eyes, your smile, your handshake or hug, and your help. Matthew 28:16-20



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Facebook and
Instagram: #CLCMillvale.
You can also email to:
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hotmail.com.

Quo Vadimus? Redux by Joe Imhoff

In 2015 I wrote two successive articles, ‘Quo Vadis, Domine’ and ‘Quo Vadimus’. The first derived its name from the popular 1951 movie based on Henrik Sienkiewicz’s book of the same name quoting a line from The Acts of Peter, a non-canonical book where St. Peter asks, “Where are you going, Lord?”. The second was a question I posed to the congregation, “Where are WE going?” At that time a Time and Talent Survey had been sent out to discover, “What am I willing to offer up to God?” The response at the time was underwhelming.

This is one question with many nuances and multiple answers? St Paul instructs us that though there are many differing parts of the body they come together as a single unit to work as a complete whole, need I say ‘The Church’? He also reminds us that within The Church various gifts are bestowed on diverse members but one giver who expects each to compliment each other and become one.

It is often said that getting there is half the fun or that it is not the destination that is important but the journey. Christ Lutheran Church has undertaken a journey under the leadership of Pastor Scott who has ‘programed’ many new and different ideas into our GPS or MapQuest™ guide. Let’s see what is on the itinerary for our journey.

The first ever CLC Community Carnival has already taken place as our In The Neighborhood for Good outreach to much success and there is already enthusiasm growing to make it bigger and better next year!

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A really big day was Sunday September 8 when CLC celebrated Rally Day. Bishop Kusserow was in attendance along with the Steelers Steeline Drummers and the Shadyside Brass to “blow the roof off the Church”!

A completely new contemporary service called Higher Ground will began on Saturday evening, September 7 for an upbeat and uplifting experience in worship.

Returning on September 15 after a summer hiatus will be The Faith and Family Café for the adults at the same time CLC Kids will replace the traditional Sunday school program for pre-schoolers through high school.

For those who like to sing, the CLC choir under the direction of organist Ed Kapshaw is always looking for singers. Other groups are planning their leadership with Pastor Scott who has ‘programmed’ many new and different ideas into our GPS or MapQuest™ guide. Let’s see what is on the itinerary for our journey. schedules such as the Youth Group and the new Sewing Team. Ministry teams are recruiting people with various interests that might expand the outreach to the congregation and the community. Look for the return of the Neighborhood Table Dinners and Saint AfterSchool.

Close to the interests of Pastor Scott, I told him I would give him a plug about the Millvale Community Counseling Center providing needed services to our area.

All of these few listed things and many more CLC does in the name of the Lord!

Perhaps the question posed should not be, “Where are we going?” (Quo Vadimus?) but, “With whom are we traveling?” (Qui sumus euntes?).

The answer then should be, “We go with the Lord!”

“Ibimus cum Domino!”



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WORSHIP at CLC

At 5PM each Saturday we celebrate Higher Ground
uplifting Contemporary Christian Worship with our
SoulSpirit Band

At 9:30AM each Sunday, we celebrate Christ in
traditional Lutheran Worship. Join us each week
throughout the year. Visit and uplift your soul.

Office Hours
Monday-Friday 8AM-2PM
412-821-4300

WORSHIP

Higher Ground Saturdays at 5PM
Traditional Worship Sundays at
9:30AM
with Nursery & Infant Nursery
Adult Bible Study 4PM

Returning September 15:
CLC KIDS Pre-K - High School
Faith and Family Café
Adult Bible Study 10AM & 4PM

COMMUNITY SERVICES

St. AfterSchool resumes in October
Counseling Center Sept. 17, 1-8PM
N.A. Meetings Fri. 7:30PM, Sat. 7PM;
A.A. Meeting Sat. 9AM
Yoga Mondays 6:15PM

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Dear friends,

Hurricane Dorian has hit with devastating force, causing major damage and a growing number of reported deaths in the Bahamas, and inundating the Carolinas with flooding and storm surge.

Lutheran Disaster Response is communicating with the Florida-Bahamas Synod, the South Carolina Synod, the North Carolina Synod, Lutheran Services Carolinas and other partners, who are assessing the immediate needs and initiating a response. While the extent of the damage is not yet known, we will accompany impacted communities from immediate relief through long-term recovery. This is our commitment as a church.

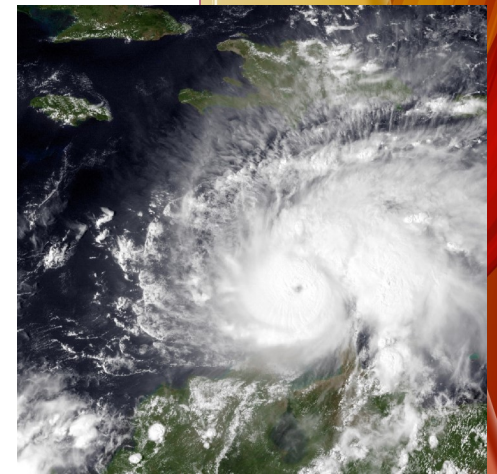
Please give to Lutheran Disaster Response today. Your gifts ensure that our church will be able to provide help and hope for those whose lives have been devastated by Hurricane Dorian.

Stay connected to the latest events and our response to this and other disasters through our Facebook page. Please join me in prayer and partnership, and use this bulletin insert to help spread the word in your congregation.

In Christ's service,

Daniel Rift

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response
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*"God is our refuge
and strength, a
very present help in
trouble"*

Psalms 46:1