

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 3, 2016

Please join us after worship for fellowship with coffee and refreshments.

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church January 3-10, 2016

Today – January 3

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
12:00 p.m. Youth leave for State Gathering
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Mosaic leave for Winter Jam
6:00 p.m. Youth Meal
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Confirmation

Monday – January 4

1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Sisters Bible Study
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – January 5

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
11:30 a.m. Love, Laugh 'n Lunch
6:30 p.m. Body & Soul Sisters
7:00 p.m. Worship, Music & Arts Committee Meeting

Wednesday – January 6

7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday – January 7

7:00 p.m. Islam Study Series

Friday – January 8

5:00 p.m. Christmas Decoration "Clean Up"

Saturday – January 9

3:00 p.m. Sudanese Action Team

Sunday – January 10

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Islam Study Series
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship
2:00 p.m. Christ Crew Ice Skating
4:30 p.m. Puppet Team Practice
6:00 p.m. Youth Meal
6:30 p.m. Confirmation
6:30 p.m. Jr. Choir Practice
6:30 p.m. Mosaic

Serving Our Congregation Sunday, January 10, 2016

Council:

9:00 a.m. Steve Gillich
11:15 a.m. Kelli VandenBerg

Altar Guild: Karen Metzner

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Linda McCullough
11:15 a.m. Roger & Joan Nichols

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Hailee Risner
11:15 a.m. Jacob Koehler

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Patrick Blanchard
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Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Chris & Kimberly Boes
11:15 a.m. Bill & Toni Steele, Gwen Paulson

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Harry Wendland, Gerry Guttormson, Donna Garen,
Herb Libby, Dianne Vissers
11:15 a.m. Bob Scharf, Bill Houseknecht,
Daryl & Jennifer Breyemeyer

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Pete VanGessel, Hailee Risner
11:15 a.m. Ryan Diederling, Jacob Koehler

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Pat Potter
11:15 a.m. Sandy Healey

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Megan Steele
11:15 a.m. Megan Steele, Kristin Bishop

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Jim & Lynn Barritt
11:15 a.m. Ken & Tammy Davison

Counters: Pete VanGessel, Amy Corey

Sprouts Teachers: Amy Hielkema, Haley Steele

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Whitney VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Todd Huston

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer
11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

Last Week's Response: December 27, 2015

Attendance:

9:00 a.m. – 76 11:15 a.m. – 71

Christmas Eve:

5:00 p.m. – 168 7:00 p.m. – 209 10:00 p.m. – 122

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests from December 27

- † Prayers of comfort for Ray Hjelt who mourns the loss of his wife Bev.
- † Prayers of healing for Allison Ulery who has breast cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for Laura Kasper who had a stroke.
- † Prayers of healing for Brenda Barr who needs a new kidney.
- † Pray for progress for the T. J. White family who is trying to emigrate from the Philippines.
- † Pray of comfort for Gary & Allie June and the Wiersema's as they mourn the loss of Allie's grandfather.
- † Prayers of comfort for Kathy Wiers and family as she mourns the loss of her husband, Gary.
- † Prayers of healing for Tom Bulgarella who has cancer.
- † Prayers of safety and strength for Barb Donowski, who has been affected by the Texas tornadoes.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of the firefighter (Captain) from Engine 38 in Detroit who was murdered.
- † Prayers of healing for Christa Killgore's grandfather who was in a car accident.
- † Pray for Judy Carmer who is in rehab due to multiple health issues.
- † Pray for Janet who is ill during her visit here from Alabama. May she get better before traveling home.
- † Pray for health, growth, and healing for Jade Rose Mueller/Boelens who is on life support in the NICU at Butterworth.
- † Prayers of healing for Phyllis Spellman who recently had surgery for a broken hip.
- † Pray for peace and comfort for the family of Rich Pullen.

Prayer Requests from December 20

- † Pray for families who are not able to be together at Christmas time, especially those who have family away in the military.
- † Pray for strength and health for Jade Mueller/Boelens who is very tiny and fighting to live in the NICU at Butterworth.
- † Pray for Billy Schneider who is struggling with depression after his son was murdered. Depression is very hard to deal with during this season of joy.
- † Prayers of comfort for Zina Fick who is mourning the loss of two family members in the past week.
- † Prayers for comfort and safe travel for Stu & Suzanne Johnson who traveled to attend a funeral for Stu's cousin.
- † Prayers of thanks for the donors, drivers, organizers, and receivers of our Christmas food baskets. Thank you God for using us.
- † Prayers of healing and recovery for Bill Gleason.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving for successful surgery for Carianne Evele.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving for a healthy grandson for the Scharf family.
- † Pray for those who don't have a place to call home this holiday season and that they are able to be welcomed into one.
- † Pray for God's blessings, health and healing for Evelyn Overholt who has upcoming eye and heart doctor appointments.
- † Pray for those facing surgery and those recovering from surgery.
- † Prayers of healing for Linda DeHaan who has pneumonia and back pain.
- † Prayers of healing for Joy & Rog Johnson's son-in-law, David Morrison, who has brain disease.
- † Prayers for healing for Katherine Bekker, Hans & Dorothy Fetting's daughter, who had surgery on Dec. 22 in Ann Arbor.
- † Prayers for healing for Darrin Mormon who has a brain aneurism and is at U of M Hospital.
- † Prayers of healing and comfort for Allison and Ryan who experienced a miscarriage this week.
- † Prayers of strength for Darcy Williamson and Tom Bulgarella.
- † Prayers of comfort and help for a pregnant teen who is looking for a place to live.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Andrew Groeneveld
- Jeff McCullough
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- Casey Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort and Jack and Shirley Reminga
- Kayla Pohl, granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink, serving in South Korea
- Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
- Adam Lundquist
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger



Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 worship service today to the Glory of God.
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*The Flower Charts for 2016 can be found behind the Welcome Center on the wall to the left of the window.
Sign up today for the date that is special to you!*



Body & Soul Sisters! We will be starting off the new year with spinning at Shape Your Life on Tuesday, Jan 5, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. (1290 – 36th Street SW, Wyoming)! If you've never been, your spin is free. If you are returning to the studio, it is \$10. Please RSVP to Jane Reardon no later than Jan. 2 at 9:00 a.m. Bikes fill up fast after New Years, so save your spot now!

Let's Learn About Islam . . . Today's world is full of news about the Middle East, extremism and groups like ISIS and Al-Qaeda. In our diverse American culture we have many religions, with Islam getting a lot of attention, discussion and direct confrontation in the world and in its visible presence here in Michigan.

Join us for a five-week series on Thursday nights from 7 to 8 p.m., beginning Thursday, January 7, or on Sunday mornings from 10:15-11:00 a.m., beginning Sunday, January 10, as we view the DVD series, *Discover Islam*. This series will present some authentic American Muslim voices sharing their vision for Islam and their hopes for friendship and understanding with other religions. Led by Jim Ward, the class will use an accompanying ELCA study guide that has been prepared for the specific purpose of encouraging understanding of the DVDs.

Sign up in the Gathering Space to join us either on Thursday nights or Sunday mornings, as we learn about what Islam is and how it impacts us as Christians.

VBS Planning: Our next VBS planning committee meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. on January 17. If you'd like a more active role in planning our summer VBS program, please join us!

Save the Date: On Wednesday, January 20, our congregation has the opportunity to have a meal together! Can you imagine, walking into the Buffalo Wild Wings on 44th Street to see the building FILLED with friends for Christ Lutheran Church? Please be sure to get your flyer with all the details for this event in your January Branch or after church the next two weeks. This dinner out at Buffalo Wild Wings has three purposes: 1.) Having the opportunity to spend time and eat together is a blessing. 2.) This is evangelism at its very best! Wear your yellow ELCA or any Christ Lutheran Church shirt if you have one. That will get other guests asking about who we are. 3.) If you give your server one of our flyers, 20% of your bill will be given back to the church to be used towards the Guatemala Mission Trip. Hope to see many people gather for a great time together!

Body & Soul Sisters and Bro Buddies! We will be hosting our first co-ed event on Thursday, January 28 (note the week change). We will be hosting a Euchre Tournament at Jane Reardon's home (5405 Naples Cedar Dr., Wyoming). Buy in to play is \$5 per person. All money raised will be given to the Personal Care Pantry meal fund. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share and your own beverages. Significant others are welcome; adults only please. Please RSVP at bodyandsoulsisters@gmail.com by Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016.

The January Branch is available today. Be sure to pick up a copy because it is packed with information, thank you notes, stories, pictures, and even a fundraiser! You don't want to miss out on everything that is happening at CLC!

Lost & Found: A hearing aid was found in the sanctuary after the 10 PM Christmas Eve service. If it might be yours, please call Audrey in the office – 532-2774 to claim it.

Worship Assistant Opportunity: We are in the process of expanding our team of Worship Assistants. If you feel that your spiritual gifts might be leading you in this direction, please contact Patrick Blanchard at 460-7150.

Personal Care Pantry: Items needed this week: combs, toothbrushes, and toothpaste. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and food for the dinners.



Sunday School gets back into the swing of the new year today at 10:15 a.m. Personal Care Pantry item offerings will start also. This week our item is TOOTHBRUSHES!

Mosaic will be going to Winter Jam at Van Andel Arena this afternoon. The cost is \$10 at the door. Meet at church at 3:00 p.m. to car pool. Sign up at the youth table if you are interested in going!

Welcome Back to Sunday Youth Night! We kick off 2016 with spaghetti dinner this Sunday night beginning at 6 PM. Food donation sheets will be out during dinner in the Gathering Space, so parents, if you have a minute, stop by and see if there is a week you can donate!

Christ Crew is going ice skating at Rosa Park Circle on January 10th from 2-5 p.m. Please sign up at the youth table or email Alan at abwindsors@sbcglobal.net.

Puppet Team: Practice resumes next Sunday, the 10th. We will have just one performance this month at the combined service on January 31 at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Confirmation Youth:

- 1) We need some of you who are willing to help with the younger Sunday School kids during the congregational meeting after the service on January 31. Please see Suzanne Snider if you can help out.
- 2) Our spring retreat happens on March 4-6! Prepare yourselves for Youth Quake at Great Wolf Lodge in Traverse City! Please let me know if you are planning to attend by next Sunday morning, January 10th. This will allow me enough time to estimate any extra costs. T-shirts are available, the cost is \$12 and that money and your size is due to me by Thursday, January 14 at 8 a.m. I am also still in need of a couple more chaperones. Please see Suzanne Snider with any questions.

Confirmation Students and Mentors: On Wednesday, February 3rd we will be going to Gilda's Club. We will meet at Gilda's at 4:45 p.m. Please watch your email for more details soon.

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