

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for January 18, 2015

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

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

January 18-25, 2015

Today

9:00 a.m. Youth-Led Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Finance Informational Meeting
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Youth-Led Worship Service
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship

Monday

6:00 p.m. TOPS
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Sisters Bible Study
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Worship, Music & Arts Meeting
7:00 p.m. Fellowship Meeting

Wednesday

7:00 a.m. BNI Team
6:15 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

6:30 p.m. Tech & Communications Meeting
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

Friday

1:00 p.m. VBS Meeting

Saturday

12:00 p.m. Bro Buddies Lunch

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Combined Worship Service followed by:
Annual Meeting
Potluck
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship
1:30 p.m. Mosaic to Degage' Ministries

Serving Our Congregation

Sunday, January 25, 2015 – one service 10:00 a.m.

Council: Brian Crane

Altar Guild: Pat Potter

Welcome Center: Roger & Joanne Nichols

Acolyte: Kat Flynn

Worship Assistant: Aimee Paulson

Coffee: Craig, Adam & Rachel Ratliff

Ushers: *Schedule not available*

Communion Assistants: Bev Tillman, Christina Van Wieren

Reader: Sharon Mack

Nursery: Vicki Blubaugh, Cora Evele

Greeters: Stuart & Suzanne Johnson

Counters: Deb Park, Brian Crane

Sprouts Teacher: No Class Today

Video Operator: Donna Garen

Sound Board: Alan Windsor



The Finance meeting is today at 10:15 a.m.

This meeting is to discuss the budget. Discussion of the budget will be limited at the Annual Meeting to just questions of clarification. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Last Week's Response

January 11, 2015

Attendance

1st Service: 110 2nd Service: 188

January Offering

To Date: \$14,651.50 Still Needed: \$20,948.50

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests from January 11

- † Prayers for all who have health issues in this cold weather.
- † Prayers of healing for Karen Akhurst's sister Vicki, who has a blood disease.
- † Pray for Pat Swanson who is hospitalized for heart and kidney failure.
- † Pray for Linda who is in the ICU at the hospital.
- † Prayers for a healthy pregnancy for Tate & Nicki.
- † Pray for Ralph Fish who needs strength and comfort as he struggles with his battle with cancer.
- † Pray for continued healing for Carter Wiseman, who has pneumonia.
- † Pray for Mike Chenier who is fighting brain cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for Cole Knappen who has a growth on his brain.
- † Prayers for Hannah Steenhagen (classmate of Cora Evele): thanks for successful surgery and quick healing; comfort & peace as she starts chemotherapy soon; strength for her family.
- † Prayers for all those in the horrific traffic accident last week on I-94.
- † Pray for Tom Wisinski who had surgery on January 15.
- † Prayers of healing for Marie Swezzer after giving birth.
- † Prayers of thanks for 2 healthy grandsons, Jerod and Jaxson.
- † Prayers of thanks that Dan Stockwell's surgery and recovery went well.
- † Prayers of healing for Barb Labertaux who is having chemo for breast cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for 3-year-old Eli who had a bone marrow transplant last week.
- † Prayers of renewed health for Jon Killgore, who has been battling illness for a couple weeks.
- † Prayers of healing for Jim who had surgery for a broken ankle after a fall and is now non-responsive due to heart failure.
- † Pray for a friend who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer, and had surgery January 16.
- † Prayers of comfort for the Killgore family whose grandfather, Bob Welton, died last week.
- † Prayers of healing for all police officers who have lost brothers and sisters on the force.
- † Prayers of comfort for Nancy Deater, whose mother passed way last week at the age of 92.

Prayer Requests from January 4

- † Prayers for Joy Johnson to get a diagnosis soon and a referral to the proper doctor.
- † Prayers of blessing for those who are getting married.
- † Prayers for healing and a cure for Luke Scott, who has cancer.
- † Prayers of peace and comfort for Jerry Narber, who is receiving hospice care.
- † Prayers of comfort for Carla Curtis who is dealing with the death of a friend.
- † Prayers of blessing on Josh, Veronica, and Baby Knappen.
- † Prayers of comfort for the Lemke family who lost their father.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Groeneveld	Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
Jeff McCullough	Jesse Cunningham, grandson of Howard & Muriel Andrews
Adam Lundquist	Brandon Westbrook and Cody Westbrook, grandsons of David Barrenger
Samantha Tierney	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	

****If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office (532-2774 or office@clcwyo.org) by Friday at 10:00 a.m. to have your request printed in this portion of Sunday's bulletin. Of course, you can let Pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.*



Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 worship service to the glory of God.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service to the glory of God by Julie Menacher in memory of her daughter, Melissa Owen.



The Annual Meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2015. We will only have one service at 10:00 a.m., followed by the meeting, and then a potluck lunch at the end. The budget and handouts for the annual meeting will be provided in advance and will be available in both an electronic format and printed for distribution. During the meeting, **Child Care** will be provided for children ages 3 through middle school. We have some crafts, activities, and a movie planned for them.

Congregational Potluck Next Sunday: Following the annual meeting next week, please plan to stay for a potluck lunch. Please bring your own table service along with a dish to pass: last name beginning with "A" thru "I" bring a casserole or entrée; last name beginning with "J" thru "P" bring a salad; last name beginning with "Q" thru "Z" bring a dessert. This is just a suggestion so if there is something you usually fix as your favorite, please feel free to do so. Beverages will be provided. When you arrive at church you can either put your food in the kitchen or on the food tables in the fellowship area. Hoping to see you all to share in friendship with people you already may know and with our new members who you may not have met yet.

Bro Buddies is a New Men's Ministry! Please join us for our kick-off event on Saturday, January 24, at Noon. We will meet for lunch at Pete's Grill in Byron Center. The address is 2588 – 84th Street, Byron Center, MI 49315. We already have two outreach events planned and will be talking about them at this lunch. We hope to see you there. For more information please contact Tom Goetsch at 616-813-6315 or Tom Powell II at 616-299-1535.

Attention Nursery Volunteers: Please plan to attend a meeting for all nursery volunteers on February 1 between the services. We will meet in the nursery.

Calling All Scouts, Young and Old! Scout Sunday is fast approaching on February 8th. We will be helping with worship at both services in a variety of ways. I encourage anyone involved in any scouting organization to participate! There will be many opportunities, and you can be as involved as you are comfortable. Whether you are a Girl Scout, Boy Scout, Cub Scout, Heritage Girl, or leader, please contact Christa Killgore at workn4daLORD@yahoo.com or 616-283-2182 to participate, or with any questions. I am also looking for pictures of scouts from our congregation to use in some sort of slide show. I am hoping all our scouts choose to participate in some way on Scout Sunday!

Service Outreach: The new Men's Ministry Bro Buddies is collecting white cotton crew socks to give away to those in need at Degage. We have a green box behind the welcome center to collect your sock donations. We will be collecting them until Sunday, February 15. Thank you to all who have donated already – we have a great start!

Mardi Gras February 17: Please join in on our annual Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) celebration at 6:00 p.m. on February 17. More details on this fun family event will be published in the February Branch.

Office Notes:

- ✓ The **deadline** for the **February Branch** is **January 27, 2015**, to be published for Sunday, February 1.
- ✓ Bulletin announcement deadline is Friday morning at 10:00 a.m.
- ✓ Please email information to Audrey at office@clcwyoming.org or leave it on her desk if she isn't there.

Church Policies: The CLC Policy Committee has wrapped up policy writing for 2014 and would like to direct you to the church website so that you can review and become familiar with them. Simply select "About Us" from the left side menu and then select "Church Documents", they then should appear on the screen. Please pay particular attention to the Social Network and Technology Oversight Policies as they address issues such as the publication of photos and personal use of the public wireless Internet service. If you have any questions or suggestions about the Constitution, Bylaws, Policies, or any form or guide, please direct them to Council who will then forward them to the committee. Thank you.

Habitat for Humanity fund raiser: I am honored to have been invited to swim the Straits of Mackinaw (about 5 miles of open water) next Labor Day (Sept 7) to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity. CLC has a rich history of supporting HH and I'm happy to contribute. Some people are builders, some people can swim. I'm of the latter. I would be pleased if you would find it to make a donation to HH under my name. Simply go to the website www.mightymacswim.com, click the "Donate" button on the upper right of the screen, and select my name (**Stewart Healey**) from the list of swimmers. Contributions are tax-deductible. Thank you and bless you for helping in this cause, Stu

Your Help is Needed: We have a new Sudanese refugee family that has just arrived. The family is a mother, two sons ages 13 and 4, and a daughter age 6. Their most needed items are a queen size bed, queen size mattress set, full size mattress set and all bedding items. Other household items will also be needed in the near future. Please contact Kim Zeitter at 616-826-6616 if you can provide for any of these needs. Thank you and God bless!

Winter Weather Policy: As we once again see wintery weather, we want to remind everyone of our weather policy for Sunday services. We will not cancel Sunday services due to weather. However, that does not mean you have to be here! If you aren't comfortable traveling, DON'T. You can listen to the service online at www.spreaker.com/show/christ-lutheran-church-elca_1.

Personal Care Pantry: Items needed this week: dish soap, Kleenex, paper towels. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and also some of the food for the dinners.

Personal Care Pantry served 25 families on Monday. They shared in a dinner of ham sandwiches made from ham that was donated by one of our church families...thank you so much! The children made snowflakes which fit right in with our weather. Pastor Dave made a guest appearance which we were very grateful for. Please keep the following families in your prayers this month:

Tina: for her back to heal

Shirley: has been in the hospital – prayers for healing

Shalee: for his children to get better from their colds

April: unspoken requests

Martha: that she can find work

Lisandro: for his wife who is due with a baby on March 12

MaElena: for a cousin who has cancer

Gail: for her mom who may have to be put in a nursing home and for her sister, Ruth, who was laid off from her job on Christmas Eve

Elisa, Yeni, Maria M., Elsa, Annette, and Jeanette: for their families

Magdalena: for her family and for a friend who passed away

Angelina: for peace and for her family

Maria N.: her baby's health

Peggy: for a blessed birthday and health in 2015

Phu and Adela: for peace in the world

Margarita: for her family and her job

Tammy: for her family's health



Attention: There will be a "Getting Ready" meeting for all youth attending the National Gathering on February 1st.

It's Here! Our ALL YOUTH (4th – 12th grade) outing will be at Fairlanes bowling on February 15 from 3-5 p.m. We will meet at Fairlanes; plan to arrive about 10 minutes early to get shoes and a lane. The cost will be \$10 per youth. \$5 of each youth's cost will be donated to UCON along with requested donated items that will be announced at a closer date. Please sign up on the youth table by February 8th so we can estimate the number of lanes.

TGIF: The snow has arrived! Time to go skiing! TGIF is going cross country skiing on Saturday, January 24th. We will once again meet up at Pigeon Creek Park in Ottawa County. We will meet around 3:00 p.m. and plan to stay until around 6:00 or whenever you want to leave. Ski rental is available, as well as snow shoe rental, and a sledding hill (bring your own sled). Ski rental is for two hours at a time, \$8/adults, \$5/youth, \$2/each additional hour. Snow shoes can also be rented for two hours at a time: \$6 and \$3/additional hour. Picture ID or credit card is needed to rent. Pigeon Creek also has a lodge to warm up in and get snacks. Bring extra cash if you are interested. Bring the whole family! If you would like to attend, but do not have a ride, please contact Suzanne Snider at 871-0283 and we will try to get arrangements made for you. Hope to see you all there!

Save Your Cans: The High School Youth are collecting pop cans and pop tops, to help fund the 2015 National Gathering trip. All donations can be placed in the bin located next to the youth table in the Narthex.
