

# Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for February 22, 2015

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

## This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

February 22-March 1, 2015

### Today New Member Welcome (both services)

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. WOVEN Small Group Study  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
3:00 p.m. All-Youth Bowling Service Project

### Monday

1:00 p.m. WOVEN Small Group Study  
6:00 p.m. TOPS  
6:30 p.m. Christian Education Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting  
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee Meeting

### Wednesday

7:00 a.m. BNI Team  
5:45 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper  
6:00 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m. Confirmation  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship  
8:00 p.m. WOVEN Small Group Study

### Thursday

9:30 a.m. WOVEN Small Group Study  
6:30 p.m. Technology & Communications Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry  
7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

### Sunday

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  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
3:00 p.m. All-Youth Bowling

## Serving Our Congregation

Sunday, March 1, 2015

### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Jennifer Buddemeier  
11:15 a.m. Cathy Chappell

### **Altar Guild:**

9:00 a.m. Pat Potter  
11:15 a.m. Jennifer Buddemeier

### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Vivian Libby  
11:15 a.m. Tom Powell II

### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Anja Whitehouse  
11:15 a.m. Sam McKenney

### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh  
11:15 a.m. Patrick Blanchard

### **Coffee:**

9:00 a.m. Chris & Kimberly Boes  
11:15 a.m. Tom & Karen Owens

### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. Herb Libby, Rogers Johnson, Brian Crane,  
Zach Barnes  
11:15 a.m. Dan Johnson, Bill Steele, Tim Zeitter, Stu Healey,  
Sandy Healey

### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Mona Leeder, Nikki Patterson, Pat Potter  
11:15 a.m. Renee Green, Steve Green, Christa Killgore

### **Reader:**

9:00 a.m. Amy Corey  
11:15 a.m. Anna Wicks

**Nursery:** Peggy McCourry, Toni/Haley Steele

### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Pat Potter, Hazel Rouker  
11:15 a.m. Sandy Healey, Cristina VanWieren

**Counters:** Scott Westers, Jeff VandenBerg

**Sprouts Teacher:** Raechelle Huston

**Video Operator:** Hannah Lundquist

### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Brian Byler  
11:15 a.m. Matt June

### Last Week's Response

February 15, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 91      11:15 a.m. – 157

Ash Wednesday Attendance: 144

Offerings Year to Date: \$52,246

Offerings Needed Year to Date: \$54,875

**Lenten Wednesday, February 25, 7:00 p.m. – see page 3**

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

## Prayer Requests from February 15

- † Prayers of healing for Katie, who has a cyst on her pancreas.
- † Prayers for healing for 5-year-old Jana, who is having brain surgery soon.
- † Prayers of comfort for Sally Vennema and her family, as Sally is in the final stages of cancer.
- † Prayers for Zina Fisk who is having more eye surgery.
- † Prayers of thankfulness for the good news Josh & Veronica Knappen had recently from the doctor.
- † Prayers of healing for Lambert Gassner, Annette Wendland's father, who is healing from post-surgery issues.
- † Prayers of healing for 3-year-old Eli, the Steele's great-nephew, who is receiving radiation treatments for cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for Ruth Salmon who had cancer surgery on Feb. 16.
- † Prayers of comfort and healing as Hans Fetting prepares for upcoming surgery.

## Prayer Requests from February 8

- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Paul Barquist, as they grieve his death.
- † Prayers of healing for Richard Longstreet who had open heart surgery.
- † Pray for Mary, who is dealing with divorce and a father with cancer.
- † Prayers of safety for John Michael Novinski, who is traveling in Trinidad for work through February 19.
- Pray for comfort, healing, and pain relief for the Bush family's Aunt Julia.
- † Prayers of comfort for Doug Vellenga and his family, who mourn the loss of their grandfather.
- † Prayers of comfort for Caitlyn Kornoely and her family who mourn the loss of an aunt & uncle in a car accident.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Mark & Marilyn Fellows, who father Sid Fellows died suddenly last week.
- † Prayers of strength and healing for 4-year-old Dawson Babiak, who has leukemia and is at very high risk.
- † Prayers of comfort for family and friends of Tony Garza, who passed away last week at the age of 39. He is Bobbie Neubecker's friend.
- † Pray that Christ Lutheran Church stays in God's mercy and grace.
- † Prayers of comfort and strength for Janice Palmer and her family, as they mourn the loss of Janice's son, Paul.
- † Prayers of healing for Hans Fetting, who had eye surgery on February 11.
- † Prayers of health for Ray & Carol Dowd, parents of Marie Smith.
- † Prayers for health and healing for Beth Lichten Walner.

## Pray for Those Serving in the Military

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| 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 |
| 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@clcwoming.org](mailto:office@clcwoming.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 a symbol of joy. To help the congregation absorb the penitential character of the season, they are omitted.



**Branch deadline:** The deadline for the March Branch is **Tuesday, February 24**. If you have something you would like included, please bring it to the office or email it to Audrey at [office@clcwoming.org](mailto:office@clcwoming.org).

**Attention Ladies:** There are many gifts from Secret Sisters at the Welcome Center. Please take a moment to see if one has your name on it!

**Attention Knitters and Crocheters:** Prayer Shawl makers will meet this Thursday at 7 at Marilyn's to pray, knit, and crochet together. Please join us if you can. The more the merrier!

**Lent Worship Opportunities:** As we journey through Lent, please join us for our Lenten Midweek Prayer Service each Wednesday evening at 5:45 p.m. for Soup Supper, followed by worship at 7:00 p.m. This week Intern Pastor Karen will begin a series of meditations on the metaphorical ways that a cup is a rich symbol of our lives, focusing this week on “The Cup of Life.”

**Lent Service Wednesday, February 25:** The following people are scheduled to assist in worship this Wednesday, February 25. The blank lines are spots that need a volunteer. If you are willing to help, please call the office – 532-2774.

Council: Suzanne Johnson                      Altar Guild: Elizabeth Druckrey                      Nursery: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sound: Mike Siebelink                      Counters: Jennifer Buddemeier, \_\_\_\_\_  
Ushers: Jennifer Buddemeier, John, Colin, & Connor Naklizki, Chuck Francis

**Devotions for Lent:** Christian Education has ordered some great devotional materials for the season of Lent for ALL ages! We offered them to those who attended Christ Lutheran’s Mardi Gras event this past week, and they are now available at the Welcome Center. A few large print editions are available in the office. The season of Lent is a wonderful opportunity to draw closer to God through intentional prayer and study, and we are happy to share these resources with our congregation.

**To highlight the season of Lent** to the 10,000 cars that pass our building every day, we will be adorning our large outdoor cross with fabric in the changing colors of the season. Fabric has been purchased (the purple is already hanging!!). If you would be interested in donating money towards this purchase, please see Pastor Dave.

**Community Seder:** We have an opportunity to be involved in a community Seder being held by the Dominican Center and Ahavas Israel on Sunday, March 15. It will take place from 3:30-5:30 p.m. and we would love to get a group together to go to this event. Families of First Communion students this year are encouraged to participate, but anyone is welcome to join us. There is a cost for this event, but Christ Lutheran will be helping out with this for interested individuals. Please sign up in the Gathering Space and/or contact Sarah McKenney ([sarah@clcwoming.org](mailto:sarah@clcwoming.org)) for more information.



## *Have you noticed our Lenten Chancel?*

To reflect CLC’s Lenten theme of *Woven Together in Christ*, our chancel (i.e., the area surrounding our altar) has been adorned with a braided drape around the altar cross and banners of woven crosses. These are to remind us that during Lent each of us is encouraged to learn more about how God has blessed us with unique spiritual gifts and *how we have been*

*woven – or braided – together* at Christ Lutheran Church to use our unique God-given gifts in ministry in our community and world.

**Unable to Join a Small Group?** If you are unable to join the nearly 100 CLC people meeting together in small groups during Lent (*there are still a few openings at the WOVEN table in the Gathering Space*), don’t give up hope! You may still begin to learn/confirm your spiritual gifts by completing the [ELCA Assessment Tool](#) in one of the following ways:

1. Use your home computer by accessing <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Faith-Practices/Assessment-Tools>.
2. Use the dedicated computer in Intern Pastor Karen’s office – reserve a time on the office door sign-up sheet.
3. Pick up a paper copy of the ELCA Assessment Tool, available at the WOVEN table in the Gathering Space, and complete it at home.

### **IMPORTANT!**

#### **Add Your Gifts to the CLC WOVEN Wall**

No matter which way you choose to complete your assessment, please return your Assessment Results sheet (web copy) or Gifts Clusters Record (paper copy) to the WOVEN table in the Gathering Space, and hang a Gift Tag with your name and top three gifts on CLC’s WOVE wall – so that your gifts, along with those of Pastor Dave, CLC staff, and other CLC members, can be woven into our ministries and recorded in our church files.

**God’s gifts come wrapped up in people – let’s work together to unwrap them!**

**Easter Plant Purchase Opportunity:** The Altar Guild will purchase several Easter lilies and various other potted plants to be placed in the sanctuary in celebration of the Risen Lord. Special pew envelopes for donations toward the cost are in the pew racks. We encourage you to make your contribution in memory of a loved one or to honor someone. You can note the name(s) on the envelope, and the names will be listed in the bulletin on Easter morning. If your donation is toward a tulip plant or daffodils, please indicate on the envelope and **your name will be on a label on the back** side of the plant. You may take your plant home after the last service. Prices this year for lilies, tulips, and daffodils will be \$8.00 for a 6" size and \$14.00 for an 8" size. Last date to contribute will be Sunday, March 22.

**First Communion Instruction** will take place for youth 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up on the first 3 Saturdays in March. If you are interested in having your child participate, please email Sarah McKenney at [sarah@clcwyo.org](mailto:sarah@clcwyo.org) or contact the church office as soon as possible. We will be sending out letters to families in the next couple weeks to share specific information with them and want to include anyone who would like to participate!

**Bro Buddies:** Our upcoming events include: March 21, 12:00 p.m. – Fellowship at Pete's Grill and April 19, 12:30 p.m. – Service: serving dinner at Ronald McDonald House. The details for these events can be found on CLC's website: [www.clcwyoming.org](http://www.clcwyoming.org).

**Easter Prayer Vigil:** Be a part of Christ Lutheran's longstanding tradition, the Easter Prayer Vigil, a continuous prayer chain that begins after the Good Friday service and ends Easter morning. Individuals select a half-hour or hour time slot and spend that time in prayer here at the church. It's a simple yet powerful way to meditate and celebrate the passion of Holy Week and Easter. Be sure to sign up in the Gathering Space.

**Join us for Easter Brunch!** Join us on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> for the annual youth fundraiser to fund various youth activities at Christ Lutheran Church. A great breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., under the direction of our very own Tom Powell II. This project is sponsored by South Kent Chapter of Thrivent Financials for Lutherans.

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**Blood Drive – Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>:** If you were in church last week you heard me make an announcement about the blood drive. I would like to apologize for last week's announcement in the bulletin. I found out last Friday evening that there is a blood drive and it will take place on March 15<sup>th</sup>. I am now actively recruiting people to fill the roster for that Sunday. As always, I would love to sign up new donors. My goal is always to connect with everyone that normally gives at our drives. You can help me out by calling me and letting me know what time you would like. If for some reason you wouldn't be able to donate that day, I would still like you to call me as soon as possible so I know you are not available. That would be a great help to me! Thanks to all, Dave Park (457-9792)

**Can you help?** We have a new Sudanese refugee family that has arrived. The family is a mother, two sons ages 13 and 4, and a daughter age 6. They need household items for the kitchen, twin and queen bedding, towels and a TV, DVD player, and children's educational DVD's. This will be used to help with their English. Please contact Kim Zeitter at (616) 826-6616 if you can provide for any of these needs. Thank you and God Bless!



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**All Youth Bowling Event is Today!** Our **ALL YOUTH (4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)** outing will be at Fairlanes Bowling on **February 22** 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 UCOM along with donated items that they are in need of: *rice, dried beans, canned vegetables, and canned fruits*. If you are able to bring any of these items, UCOM will gladly accept them!

**The 30-Hour Famine** is coming March 20 & 21 for all 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders! Get your pledge book from Alex TODAY! We are asking each youth to raise a minimum of \$25.00. We will play games, participate in a service project, and close 30 hours later with some delicious food!

**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.

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**Calling the Dreamers!** Pastor Dave is putting together a small group of people who want to discuss the possibilities of our church. If you find yourself dreaming about what this place could become, then let's talk! The church needs you. We need an idea generation team – a Dream Team. If you are interested, drop me a note! Thanks, Pastor Dave

**VBS Needs:** The VBS team asks you to start thinking summer and supplies. They will be in need of about (50) 28 oz. plastic peanut butter jars (clean, please). If you use this size, please save them for us.

**Families of students interested in camp this summer:** We had a great informational meeting about Stony Lake Lutheran Camp last week and we hear a lot of excitement about his coming summer for our youth! Christ Lutheran kids ages 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through high school are all welcome to sign up for the week of June 14<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup> at Stony Lake Lutheran Camp, so that we can get as many CLC kids there TOGETHER as possible. If you have a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader you feel is mature enough for a full week of camp, please contact Sarah McKenney or Nancy Cuncannan to discuss this, as there is some leeway with this age. We encourage you to sign up quickly as spots are filling up. You will receive a price break if you register and pay your deposit by March 15<sup>th</sup>! Do you have questions? Please contact Sarah ([sarah@clcwoming.org](mailto:sarah@clcwoming.org)) or Nancy ([karlandnancy@att.net](mailto:karlandnancy@att.net)) for more information.

**Personal Care Pantry:** Items needed this week: toilet paper (double roll) and laundry detergent. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and also some of the food for the dinners.