

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for March 8, 2015

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

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

March 8-15, 2015

Today

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
2:30 p.m. Private Event – Ed. Wing
6:00 p.m. Mosaic

Monday

4:00 p.m. Memorial Service
5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry
6:00 p.m. TOPS
6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Council 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

Saturday

9:00 a.m. First Communion
1:00 p.m. Private Event – Ed. Wing

Sunday Blood Drive

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
3:30 p.m. Group to Community Seder
6:00 p.m. Mosaic Service Project

Serving Our Congregation

Sunday, March 15, 2015

Council:

9:00 a.m. Andy VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Toni Steele

Altar Guild: Karen Metzner

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Georgia Cutler
11:15 a.m. Jackie Vocoviak

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Bryenna Akhurst
11:15 a.m. Chloe Goetsch

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward
11:15 a.m. Dave Westover

Coffee:

9:00 a.m. Harry & Annette Wendland
11:15 a.m. Rich & Bobbi Neubecker

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Pete VanGessel, Chuck & Gail Fleming,
Kim Reed, Caleb Jones
11:15 a.m. Don Groeneveld, Troy & Angelina Anderson,
Rob Paulson

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Tim Tierney, Pete VanGessel, Chris Boes
11:15 a.m. Linda Montgomery, Jennifer Breymeyer,
Sue Scharf

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Curtis Druckrey
11:15 a.m. Bev Tillman

Nursery: Vicki Blubaugh, Cora Evele

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Ruth Salmon, Nancy Scudder
11:15 a.m. Todd & Raechelle Huston

Counters: Annette Wendland, Dan Barnard

Sprouts Teacher: Alison Dutkiewicz

Video Operator: Kris Baker

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Dave Byler
11:15 a.m. Dave Westover

Last Week's Response:

February March 1, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 146 11:15 a.m. – 154

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

We extend our sympathy to Dianne Vissers, whose father, Kenneth Hansen, passed away this past week.

We pray for the family of Bettina Stieglitz-Sanchez, who died on February 22. Her visitation will be held Monday, March 9, from 3:00-4:00 p.m., with the service following at 4:00 p.m. here at Christ Lutheran Church.

Prayer Requests from March 1

- † Prayers of healing for Marianne Potts, Tracy Naklizki's mom, who had surgery last Thursday for colon cancer.
- † Prayers for Mike to feel better.
- † Prayers of healing and recovery for Katherine, daughter of Hans & Doroty Fetting, who had surgery.
- † Pray for John, who had to have all his teeth pulled for dentures.
- † Prayers for friends who are beginning Alzheimers.
- † Prayers for a peaceful trip to heaven for Kathleen Post.
- † Prayers of healing for Matt K. who had quintuple bypass surgery.
- † Prayers of praise for continued good progress for the Knappen family.
- † Prayers of healing for Larry & Yvonne, who have ongoing health issues.
- † Prayers for healing and recovery for Kathy TeWinkle who had a kidney transplant.

Prayer Requests from February 22

- † Prayers of healing for the Andrews' granddaughter, Wendy, who has cancer.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Michael Chenier, who passed away last week.
- † Pray for healing and strength for Phil and Sue.
- † Pray for healing for Dorothy & Hans Fetting's daughter, Kathie, who had major surgery on February 20.
- † Prayers for healing for Gracie Van Wieren's itching and rash.
- † Prayers of healing and comfort for 4-year-old Dawson Babiak who continues to fight setbacks of leukemia.
- † Prayers of healing for Abby and Eliza who were injured in an auto accident.
- † Continued prayers for 5-year-old Jana who recently underwent brain surgery.
- † Pray for health and energy for Hannah Steenhage, Cora Evele's friend, who just finished her 3rd round of chemo.
- † Prayers of recovery for Melvin Manty who had surgery for a broken ankle and has had the flu.
- † Prayers of peace for Dianne's dad.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Lisa Schultz as they grieve her death.

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
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 a symbol of joy. To help the congregation absorb the penitential character of the season, they are omitted.



Lent Worship: 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. Intern Pastor Karen will continue a series of meditations on the metaphorical ways that a cup is a rich symbol of our lives, focusing this week on “The Chipped Cup.”

Healthy Eating for Lent: The Healthy Eating Group would like to assist you in taking on some healthy eating habits during Lent by offering some Clean Eating soups each week at the Soup Suppers. We’ll also have the recipes printed out in case you’d like to try them at home. In addition, if you have a favorite Clean Eating soup recipe you’d like to share at the Soup Supper, please see Sarah McKenney or Denise Sironen.

Lent Service Wednesday, March 11: The following people are scheduled to assist in worship this Wednesday. The blank lines are spots that need a volunteer. If you are willing to help, please call the office – 532-2774.

Council: Cathy Chappell Altar Guild: Elizabeth Druckrey
Sound: Mike Siebelink Counters: Jennifer Buddemeier
Ushers: Herb Libby, Rogers Johnson, Brian Crane, Zach Barnes

Blood Drive – Sunday, March 15th: I am still searching for donors to fill time slots for the blood drive. I have been calling people and am available in the Gathering Space before and after the services (most of time). Please call me back so I know if you are planning on giving, or if you are not available. Please leave a message. Thanks, Dave Park (457-9792)

Parents and Congregational Members: We are looking for 6 people to donate 4 hours of their time during the 30 Hour Famine (March 20-21) to help assist the leaders. We need volunteers to fill the following time slots: 8pm-1am, 1am-7am, 7am-1pm, and 1pm-6pm. If one of these time slots does not work, but you would still like to volunteer, talk to Alex. If you are interested in being a part of this, please contact Alex at 616-295-3694.



Just WHAT is the Gift of Exhortation?

If you’ve looked over the WOVEN wall to learn the gifts of your fellow CLC sisters and brothers, you may be wondering about the gift of Exhortation (like many others who have been asking just what that gift is). It sounds kind of ominous, but it is actually a wonderful gift that could also be called the gift of “Encouragement.” One definition of the gift is *Exhortation is the special ability to offer words of comfort, consolation, encouragement and counsel to others in such a way that they feel helped, supported and uplifted.* People with the gift of Exhortation are good listeners and encourages of others going through a rough time. That’s why people with this gift make such good Stephen Ministers.

Take the Gift Assessment Tool!

Why not 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 WOVEN 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.

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Today, Christ Lutheran is welcoming Megan Steel to our staff. As our Nursery Attendant, Megan will welcome our children every Sunday during both services and the education hour. May her consistent presence be a blessing on your family and our community of faith.



“My name is Megan Steele, and I am honored to be given the opportunity to care of your children in the nursery while you worship. I am happily married, and I have 3 wonderful children. I enjoy working with children and have about 10 years of experience working with children of all different ages, both professionally as a licensed daycare provider for 9 years and through my volunteer work in my children’s classrooms the last 2 years. I am a full time student at GRCC majoring in Business Administration. I have a paraprofessional certification that I received in October 2014. I look forward to getting to know you and your children in the upcoming months.”



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.

Bro Buddies: We will meet Saturday, March 21, for a Fellowship Event at 12:00 PM at Pete’s Grill, 2588 – 84th Byron Center. Contact Todd Huston. On Sunday, April 19, we will have an Outreach Event at Ronald McDonald House. Meet at church at 12:30 PM (right after second service). Car pool to Ronald McDonald House, cook and serve dinner for more information contact Todd Huston or check out www.clcwyoming.org. Thank you.

Advance Notice: Pastor Dave will be out of the office March 26-27 for the Synod Candidacy Committee meeting.

The Annual CLC Easter Egg Hunt is coming up! Join us on March 29th from 10:15-11:00 a.m. for our family friendly Easter Egg hunt! We will have some treats, devotional materials for Holy Week, a craft for all ages and of course a good ol’ Easter Egg hunt with prizes and goodies galore! This will take place during our Sunday School time so we will not be having normal Sunday School on the that morning.

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 5th 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.

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 Need: 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.



Mosaic: Tonight we will be discussing activities for the rest of our Mosaic year! Bring your ideas and we will choose our favorites for the upcoming Mosaics!

Were You Undecided??? If you are currently in 8th – 12th grade were thinking of going to the National Gathering this summer you're in luck! We have one spot left – contact Alex at alex@clcwyoing.org TODAY!

The 30-Hour Famine is coming March 20 & 21 for all 7th – 12th 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.

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 3rd grade through high school are all welcome to sign up for the week of June 14th through the 19th at Stony Lake Lutheran Camp, so that we can get as many CLC kids there TOGETHER as possible. If you have a 2nd 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 15th!** Do you have questions? Please contact Sarah (sarah@clcwyoing.org) or Nancy (karlandnancy@att.net) for more information.

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

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!