

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 11, 2018

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church March 11-18, 2018

Today – March 11

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
4:30 p.m. Puppet Practice
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
6:00 p.m. Mosaic
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice

Monday – March 12

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings Group
5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – March 13

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. Hosannah Breakfast – Sausage Making

Wednesday – March 14

6:00 p.m. "Bread & Broth" Midweek Lenten Meal
6:30 p.m. Lenten Study
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship

Thursday – March 15

7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA
7:00 p.m. OASIS Group Event

Friday – March 16

3:45 p.m. Kids leave for Confirmation Retreat
6:00 p.m. Mosaic Lock-In Begins

Saturday – March 17

10:00 a.m. Mosaic Lock-In Ends
3:30 p.m. Sudanese Action Team

Sunday – March 18

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
12:30 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt
2:30 p.m. Christ Crew Rollerskating
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice

Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: March 18, 2018

Council:

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward
11:15 a.m. Ken Davison

Altar Guild:

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Druckrey
11:15 a.m. Pat Potter

Bread Baker: Lisa Harris

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Dorothy Fetting
11:15 a.m. Tom Owens

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. *Volunteer needed*
11:15 a.m. *Volunteer needed*

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh
11:15 a.m. Margie Evele

Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane, Jennifer Buddemeier
11:15 a.m. Rich & Bobbie Neubecker

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. John & Mary DeHerrera, Dave & Lisa Harris
11:15 a.m. Ken Lundquist, Rob & Nora Paulson, Ray Panches

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Pete VanGessel, Nancy Heidrich, Acolyte
11:15 a.m. Sue Scharf, Toni Steele, Acolyte

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Trisha Nemeth
11:15 a.m. Tim Zeitter

Nursery: *Schedule not available*

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Joe & Nicki Deuling
11:15 a.m. Todd & Raechelle Huston

Counters: Jeff Emrich, Sarah Laurent

Sprouts Teachers: Sheldon Family, Kat Flynn

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Connor Naklizki
11:15 a.m. Todd Sheldon

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Alan Windsor
11:15 a.m. Matt June

Last Week's Response:
Wednesday, February 28: 45
Wednesday, March 7: 40

Sunday, March 4:
9:00 a.m. – 133 11:15 a.m. – 131

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer.” Romans 12:12

Prayer Requests for the Week of March 4

- Pray for Dan & Tamara Wright who had a house fire on March 5. (When the office hears of ways the church family can help them, we will share that information.)
- Prayers of healing for Steve Waltman who is having heart surgery.
- Prayers of strength and healing for Gail Fleming as she continues battling lung cancer.
- Prayers of comfort for Steve Green’s brother, Bob Green, who is in hospice in Mt. Pleasant.
- Prayers of comfort and strength for Hazel Rouker as she faces a difficult medical diagnosis.
- Prayers of comfort for Cathy Martin, whose grandmother passed away Saturday night.
- Prayers of comfort and strength for Rosa Araujo, whose 21-year-old son Jonathan passed away.
- Prayers of comfort for the Koster Family after the loss of their husband and father.
- Pray for health for Herb & Vivian Libby.
- Prayers of comfort for Pastor Tim & Lori Brown; Tim’s mother died last week. Her funeral was on March 6. You may send condolences to Pastor Tim & Lori at: Trinity Lutheran Church, 3637 Golf Road, Evanston, IL 60203.
- Please keep the Call Committee in your prayers: Todd Huston (Chair), Brian Crane, Julie Menacher, Lance Girand, Margie Evele, Meredith Phillips, Pete VanGessel, Ron Sabin, and Suzanne Johnson.

Prayer Requests for the Week of February 25

- Prayers for God’s healing power for a successful cancer surgery for Sean M. tomorrow.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for healing in Gerry’s family.
- Prayers of strength, healing, faith, and hope for Kristen Thornton’s father, Charles, as he recovers from a major stroke.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Chris Fite, nephew of Tammy Walsh
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- D.J. Ardy, member and grandson of Fred & Marcia Nichols, in the Marines
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who is serving in the Marines
- Corporal Kayla Champaco and her husband Specialist Lance Champaco (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who are stationed in El Paso, Texas
- Sean & Ashley Toomey, friends of the June family (active duty)
- Jeff McCullough
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger
- Hayden Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort

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



Upcoming Worship Leaders:

March 11: Pastor Polly Standley
March 18: Pastor Mike Kemper
March 25: Pastor Polly Standley

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Vote Today: Please take a moment to look over the Easter Baskets put together by our Sunday School classes this year, with a TON of help from YOU, our congregation!! The baskets are on display through today. Please take a moment to vote on your favorite basket using dollars, coins, and checks. All the items in the baskets will be donated to our South Sudanese congregation to stock their supply of newborn welcome gifts. All the funds collected will go to the ELCA Disaster Relief Fund, helping those who have been affected by natural disaster both here in the US and overseas.

Hey Mosaic! We have our meeting from 6-8 tonight! Come out for a night of songs, games, snacks and much more!

“Bread and Broth” on Wednesday Evenings: Every Wednesday night during Lent please join with your church family in the Education Wing as we continue our journey to Easter. We eat together as a family of God at 6:00 PM. We study together as a family of God at 6:30 PM. We worship together as a family of God at 7:00 PM.

If you would like to make a pot of soup or bring a loaf of bread for one of these evenings, please sign up on the Fellowship board in the hallway next to the kitchen.

Confirmation Kids and Mentors: Our Confirmation class is headed to Great Wolf this Friday! We will leave church by 3:45 and return by 6 on Sunday. If you missed our meeting last week, please check your email this weekend for details and/or talk to Suzanne on Sunday. If you are a mentor with a Confirmation student attending Great Wolf, you received an email about being a prayer partner. Please make sure to have prayer bags here by Wednesday (March 14) or let Suzanne know if you will not be taking part.

Hey Mosaic! It is time for a LOCK IN!!! Join us Friday, March 16 to take over the church for the night! We will have movies, games, food and so much more! We will be locked in the church until 10:00 AM on Saturday morning, so bring anything you might need for an overnight stay and anything fun you might want to do!

Easter Egg Hunt: Today is the last day to sign up for the Easter Egg Hunt happening on March 18. Any child 6th grade or younger is welcome to attend. We will have pizza lunch right after second service for any family members that would like to join in. We are asking for \$3 per eating member to help cover costs. The hunt will begin right after lunch and the kids will be on the hunt for the 12 resurrection eggs! Find all the eggs to learn the Passion story of Jesus Christ! Please make sure to sign up on the pink sheets on the Youth table in the Gathering Space.

Christ Crew: Our 4th through 6th grade youth group will be going roller skating at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 18. Please see details and RSVP on our Shutterfly site. If you are not a member of our Shutterfly site, please contact Christa (workn4dalord@yahoo.com) or Becky (rebeccawesters@hotmail.com).

Order Your Easter Flowers! Easter plants will be purchased to adorn the sanctuary in Celebration of The Risen Lord! A variety of flower options are offered; like last year, live Easter Lilies and plants with a heavy fragrance will not be included in the selection. Instead, we will be ordering an array of options that Ludema’s Floral and Garden has offered us. More and more churches in the area have gone fragrance free, so out of respect to those with allergies, we will do the same.

Azaleas: White, Pink, Purple in a 6” pot-\$16.00; **Hydrangeas:** Pink or Blue in a 6” pot-\$16.00. **Daffodils:** Yellow in a 6” pot-\$7.00 or 8” pot-\$13.00. **Tulips:** Lavender, Pink, White, Yellow, Bi-Color(Yellow/Red) in a 6” pot-\$7.00 or 8” pot-\$13.00. **Floral Mums:** (12-14” tall & 12-14” across) Lavender, White, or Yellow in a 6” pot-\$8.00.

Envelopes for donations and orders can be found in the pew racks. We encourage you to make your contribution in memory of a loved one or to honor someone and it will be listed in the announcement page on Easter morning. If your donation is for a particular type plant that you would like to take home, note that on the envelope also, and your name will be noted on the back side of the selection. Last day for you to order will be Sunday, March 18.

Hosanna Breakfast: Lent is here, and Easter is fast approaching. There is a change this year – we are having the annual Easter Breakfast on Palm Sunday, March 25th, and we are calling it the Hosanna Breakfast – to accommodate Spring Breakers! This is the biggest individual fundraiser for the youth ministry and we need your help!

There will be signup sheets on the tables in the Gathering Space for you to donate all kinds of things. For example, we need 75 dozen eggs, 8 pounds of butter and over 50 pounds of hash browns!! We also need financial donations to purchase various items, such as ham and ingredients for the homemade sausage.

We also need volunteers to help with prep and set-up on the Saturday before (March 24). And we need LOTS of helpers on Palm Sunday to cook, serve and clean up. There are (3) 2-hour shifts that you can sign up for. Please plan to bring all of your items to church on or before 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 24, the day before Palm Sunday.

You can meet Brian Crane at the tables after the service to sign up or ask questions.

You Are Invited: Please stop in for a Birthday Open House for long-time member, George Wohlheter. We will be celebrating his 90th Birthday on March 25 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Green Acres (Community Room), 11276 1st Avenue NW, Standale, MI 49534. George would love to see his friends and family from CLC! If you are unable to attend, please consider sending him a card.

Newsletter Deadline: The submission deadline for the April Branch is Tuesday, March 27, 10:00 AM.

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 sing up in the Gathering Space.

New Member's Class: As interest in Christ Lutheran continues to grow, New Member classes will be offered in April. Whether you would like to know more about becoming a member, or you are a member who would just like to hear about all that is going on at CLC, please feel free to join us! Classes will be held on April 15, 22, and 29 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. with lunch included. The class will be taught by Pastor Polly, Suzanne Johnson and Patrick Blanchard. If you would like to join them or get more information, please let Patrick know (patrick@clcwyoming.org).

Women of CLC!! Our spring retreat happens April 21-22 at Pine Ridge Bible Camp. Cost will be \$60 for lodging and meals. It will also include a yoga class! This retreat is for all women college aged and older. Join us for a relaxing weekend at the "Sweet Café" as we grow our friendships and our relationship with God. All you need to sign up is a \$10 deposit. Funds are available if you have a financial need. Please contact Suzanne Snider with any questions.

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Share Your CLC Event Pictures:
(please include a brief description - group, date, etc.)
Email: pictures@clcwyoming.org

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

A couple Sundays ago, Pastor Polly put me on the spot and had me stand up during the announcement at 2nd service. At that time I told you that we had three Rostered Minister Profiles that the Call Committee was deliberating over. We had already interviewed one candidate; we were about to interview the other two.

Since that point, we've completed all three interviews. All were very good candidates and had many different talents that we can consider. We also received a 4th candidate that we are considering and will most likely call for an interview. I can't stress enough how amazing and unique of a situation that CLC is in at this point. God is really working to provide what we need in our congregation! The Call Committee is now in the process of setting of 2nd interviews as well as potentially a 1st interview for the 4th pastor.

Let the Call Committee know if you have any questions. We will do our best to answer them, just keep in mind we have to protect all the candidates, so we will have to talk in general terms ☺

Thank you for your continued prayers during our time of transition.

Todd Huston & the CLC Call Committee

EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

Graduates: If you are graduating or know a high school or college graduate for Spring 2018 or Fall 2017, please have them notify Julie Fischer at 616-644-1386 or fischerjulie@sbcglobal.net.

We Are In Need of Egg Cartons: If you have any empty egg cartons that hold 1 dozen, we could use a few more. Please bring them to church today!! You can put them in Suzanne Snider's office. Thank you!

Leaders Needed: Do you like to work with young teens? We are in need of a few good leaders who can help organize "ONE", our middle school VBS program, for this summer. Most of the curriculum is already set, but we need help with small group leading, and coming up with service projects for the week. If you are interested in helping, please let Suzanne Snider know!

Personal Care Pantry: PCP is in need of the following items right now: laundry detergent, dish detergent, and bath soap. Please place the donations in the box behind the Welcome Center. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and also food for the dinners.

Calling All Angels! The National Gathering is an amazing experience where we get to come together as one church and share our worship each other in a thousand different ways. It is amazing! However, it is also VERY expensive. We are estimating a total cost of almost \$950 per person! Christ Lutheran Church has always done a wonderful job of supporting it's youth, and we are asking for a little bit more. We need some Angels! We are looking for people who are willing to sponsor our youth members and help send them on their way. All money donated to sponsor the kids will be evenly split up among everyone, so there is no need to specify any one person for whom the donation will go to. To be an Angel, we ask that you donate to help cover the cost of this trip. If you would like to be a Gathering Angel there are a couple ways to do it. The best way is to talk to Steve Lundquist at church or by email at Steve@clcwyoming.org. The other way would be to mark a pew envelope for Gathering Angels. These will go right into the youth fund. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers, and we thank you for all your support.

Memorial Gift Giving: Please consider directing memorial gifts to the Pastoral Discretionary Fund at Christ Lutheran. This fund can be used in responding to crisis or personal needs that may arise concerning individuals or households in our church or community on a short-term basis, providing hope for those in the midst of despair. It may also be used to provide financial support to bona fide organizations whose purposes are consistent with the mission of our church. You only need to place a check or cash in a pew envelope marked Pastor's Discretionary Fund, if this is something of interest to you.