

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 18, 2018

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church March 18-25, 2018

Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: March 25, 2018 (Palm Sunday)

Today – 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
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
12:30 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice

Monday – March 19

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings Group
3:30 p.m. Scholarship Auditions (G. Sironen)
5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Sisters Bible Study
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – March 20

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meeting
7:00 p.m. Mission Support Meeting

Wednesday – March 21

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

Thursday – March 22

6:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting
6:30 p.m. Tech & Communications Meeting
7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA
7:00 p.m. Youth & Family/Chr. Ed @ Uccello's
7:00 p.m. Property Meeting

Saturday – March 24

9:00 a.m. Hosannah Breakfast preparation
10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Service Practice
3:30 p.m. Sudanese Action Team

Sunday – March 25 – Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. – Noon Hosannah Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
6:30 p.m. Confirmation
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice

Council:

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

Altar Guild:

9:00 a.m. Suzanne Johnson
11:15 a.m. Jean Wisinski

Bread Baker: Rylee Walsh, Christa Killgore

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Georgia Cutler
11:15 a.m. Bev Tillman

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Nik Jernberg
11:15 a.m. Rylee Huston

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Diane Persky
11:15 a.m. Don Groeneveld

Coffee Servers:

No regular coffee service – Hosannah Breakfast

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane, John, Colin & Connor Naklizki
11:15 a.m. Dan Johnson, Bill Steele, Tim Zeitter

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Lisa Harris, Nik Jernberg
11:15 a.m. Denise Sironen, Gerry Stockwell, Rylee Huston

Nursery: *Schedule not available*

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Mike & Bev Faas
11:15 a.m. Dave & Deb Park

Counters: Dave Johnson, Jeff VandenBerg

Sprouts Teachers: Killgore Family

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Whitney VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Ann Modzeleski

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Matt June
11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

Last Week's Response:

Wednesday, March 14: 40

Sunday, March 11:
9:00 a.m. – 79 11:15 a.m. – 96

Offerings needed: \$81,019
Offerings actual: \$69,895
Shortage: \$11,124

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Prayer Requests for the Week of March 11

- Prayers of comfort for Pastor Polly Standley and her family who mourns the loss of her 48-yr-old niece, Suzanne. John & Polly will be traveling to California on March 23 for her funeral.
- Prayers of healing for Krissy de Leon who had surgery recently. Krissy is Jenny Donaldson’s daughter.
- Pray for Zachary’s family that is struggling.
- Prayers of healing for Carol Potter’s injuries after a recent accident. Carol is Pat Potter’s daughter.
- Prayers of comfort and strength for Scott who has many stressful things in his life right now.
- Prayers of healing for Steve Waltman who will have heart surgery on March 16.
- Prayers of comfort and strength for the Wright family who had a house fire.
- Prayers of healing for Norma who has serious health issues.
- Prayers of comfort for Steve & Renee’ Green – Steve’s brother passed away.

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.

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@clcwyo.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 would like prayers for someone.



Upcoming Worship Leaders:

March 18: Pastor Mike Kemper

March 25: Pastor Darryl Larson

April 1: Pastor Polly Standley

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Hey Kids! All children age 3 and up are welcome to join us for crafts and a snack during second service, after Children's Time, today (3/18)! This will be in place of Sprouts, but we would love the older kids to come and help out, too! We are preparing for our VBS Rainforest Adventure later this summer and plan to make some fun decorations. See Alison Dutkiewicz or Melinda Sheldon if you have any questions.

Easter Egg Hunt is today for those who signed up. Meet in the education wing after second service for lunch and instructions on the hunt! A HUGE thank you to Alison Dutkiewicz, Julie Gillich, and Melinda Sheldon for working on this event!

Christ Crew: Our 4th through 6th grade youth group will be going roller skating at 2:30 p.m. today, 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! Today is your last chance to order Easter plants! 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

Confirmation: A reminder that there is NO Confirmation class tonight due to us being totally exhausted from the Charge retreat at Great Wolf Lodge this weekend! We will meet next Sunday at 6:30 until 7:30 – note the time change.

“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.

Sunday School Reminder: There will be no Sunday School on March 25, April 1, or April 8. Have a blessed Easter holiday with family and friends!

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 are signup sheets on the tables in the Gathering Space for you to donate all kinds of things. Please take a moment to see what we still need! Financial donations are requested to purchase various items, such as ham and ingredients for the homemade sausage.

We also need a few more 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: We are getting very close to Holy Week . . . and we thank all of you for participating in the long-standing tradition of offering a non-stop prayer chain that begins after the Good Friday service and ends Easter morning. However, we are still in need of volunteers particularly for the wee hours of the morning. And no, it's not a time of night many want to be out and about. But . . . there is a most amazing feeling of calm, of being one with Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in those wee hours. Think how much you appreciate how precious any time spent with Him is, and then imagine His time in the Garden, alone, because his disciples had fallen asleep. You can sign 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

EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

Help For the Wright Family: On March 5, Dan & Tamara Wright and their family experienced a house fire. Everyone was safe, but their house suffered a lot of damage. They will be living in a hotel for a few months. Many of you have wondered how you can help. These are some specific ways you can help:

- Gift cards would be greatly appreciated, including but not limited to Meijer and Target. They need to replace everything, so any gift cards (stores or restaurants) are wonderful. You can place your contribution in the treasure chest located on the Welcome Center.
- You can also help by bringing them a meal. A Meal Train has been set up to bring dinner on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The link is here: <https://mealtrain.com/8dw8n5>.
- To donate to help them financially you can either give money to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund (specifically marked for the Wright Family) or you can visit their GoFundMe page: <https://www.gofundme.com/pvj4p-wright-family-house-fire>.

Thank You SO much for your generosity to our Easter Basket competition this year!! Not only did you help to bring in so many beautiful baby items for our Sudanese congregation, but you also raised \$216.75 to send to the ELCA Disaster Response Fund. Our class with bragging rights for the next year is the 1st and 2nd Grade Class taught by Vicki Blubaugh and Jane Ward. Congratulations!

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.

Thank You to all of the Jr. and Sr. High School students who made cards for the nursing home residents! The residents loved receiving mail and were very impressed by the creativity of the kids! This small gesture really made an impact on the residents. *Kimberly Boes*

Personal Care Pantry: PCP is in need of the following items right now: laundry detergent, bath soap, fabric softener, and paper bags. 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. Personal Care Pantry welcomed 26 families on Monday. The following people have requested prayers:

Edward: for help in finding a home

Anita: for health and car problems

Julia: for her pacemaker to keep running

Erin: for her daughter, Kendra

Maria C.: for her brother who is sick

Annette and Bill: for everything

Maria N.: for an end to school shootings

Rosalie: for her grandpa who is having surgery

Martha E. and Mary Jane: for their health

Simon, Marta, Martha F., Margarita, Sandra, Irma, Jose, Deborah, Maria C., and Angelina: for their families

Mark: for his MS to be under control and for the leaders of our country

Gail: for her and her mom who is in the last stages of life here on Earth

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.