

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for March 22, 2015

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

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

March 22-29, 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
10:30 a.m. Coffee Servers Training
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
12:30 p.m. National Gathering youth meeting
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship
2:00 p.m. Christ Crew Activity

Monday

6:00 p.m. TOPS
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting
6:30 p.m. Christian Education 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

Thursday

6:30 p.m. Tech & Communications Meeting
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry (@Marilyn Burgard's home)
7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

Friday Office Closed Today

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Jr. Choir Musical Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Kitchen Reserved
3:00 p.m. Sudanese Action Team

Sunday Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
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
1:30 p.m. Private Event – Ed. Wing, Kitchen
6:00 p.m. Mosaic

Last Week's Response: March 15, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 122 11:15 a.m. – 135

Offerings Collected Year to Date: \$84,154
Offerings Needed Year to Date: \$86,221

Serving Our Congregation

Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015

Council:

9:00 a.m. Ray Panches
11:15 a.m. Tom Goetsch

Altar Guild:

9:00 a.m. Lisa Harris
11:15 a.m. Sarah McKenney

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Arlene Slagh
11:15 a.m. Roger & Joanne Nichols

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Will Holwerda
11:15 a.m. Rylee Walsh

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh
11:15 a.m. Dave Westover

Coffee:

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane, Heather Miller
11:15 a.m. Lou & Julie Fischer

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Jennifer Buddemeier, Chuck Francis,
John, Colin, & Connor Naklizki
11:15 a.m. Stuart Healey, Ken & Tammy Davison,
Rich Neubecker

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Walt & Karen Akhurst
11:15 a.m. Gerry Stockwell, Bev Tillman

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Dorothy Fetting
11:15 a.m. Christopher Killgore

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Megan Steele
11:15 a.m. Megan Steele

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Linda McCullough, Nicki Patterson
11:15 a.m. Rich & Bobbie Neubecker

Counters: Letty Burgstahler, Bill Boss

Sprouts Teacher: Anna Wicks

Video Operator: Todd Huston

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Alan Windsor
11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

Please Note:

Volunteers for
Maundy Thursday and
Good Friday are listed
on the back page.

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests from March 15

- † Prayers for good test results for Bob Sage.
- † Prayers recovery for Howard Prichard who had surgery for cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for the girl in Caledonia who was stabbed by her brother. Pray also for her whole family and community, as they deal with this awful tragedy.
- † Prayers of comfort and strength for the Bowman family as they deal with the loss of Dana.
- † Prayers of healing for Wendy (Howard & Muriel Andrews' granddaughter) who had surgery last Wednesday.
- † Prayers of comfort and peace for the Jones Family, whose teenage son Schyler was diagnosed with lymphoma cancer this past week. The Jones are friends of Rich & Bobbie Neubecker.
- † Prayers of thankfulness for the Knappen Family's answered prayers.
- † Prayers of healing for Brenda Barr, who needs a new kidney.
- † Prayers of healing and recovery for Mike, a security guard at Maple Creek, who had retinal surgery.
- † Prayers of healing for Randy Clark who had surgery & reconstruction on his toes.
- † Prayers of comfort and peace for Barbara, who is struggling with liver cancer and lung disease.

Prayer Requests from March 8

- † Prayers of healing for Rita Hughes and Jim DeGennaro, who are struggling with sickness.
- † Prayers of healing for Sally Moroney's mother, Nancy Moleno, who is in the ICU with a life-threatening infection.
- † Pray for continued healing for Marianne Potts (mom of Tracy Naklizki) who had surgery for colon cancer.
- † Prayers of comfort for Dianne Vissers and her family who mourn the loss of her father, Kenneth Hansen.
- † Prayers of comfort for Tina Steiglitz-Sanchez's family, especially her sons, who mourn her loss.
- † Prayers of comfort for the Verberg family, who mourns the loss of their mom Sally.
- † Prayers of comfort for Mary Ann Martin, whose husband lost his fight against cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for Kyle Duby, who needs a kidney transplant.
- † Prayers of healing for Luann Knappen, who had surgery this past Tuesday.
- † Prayers of healing for Dallas Duby, who has lymphoma and a blood clot in his leg.
- † Prayers of healing for Lola.
- † Prayers of healing for Ken Vander Kamp who had surgery recently.
- † Prayers of strength for Jay, who recently had quadruple bypass surgery.
- † Prayers of peace for all who are impacted by domestic violence.
- † Prayers of strength for Stacy Nyland, who is dealing with cancer.
- † Prayers of healing and freedom from pain for Julie Bahr.

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 during Lent.



A Special 'Thank You': We want to thank **Hazel Rouker** for providing the postlude music today for the first service.

Prayer Shawl Makers – This Is Your Day: I have brought LOTS of donated yarn for shawls today and I hope you will take it home with you to make some shawls. There's not room to store it here at church, and I'm running out of space at home – so PLEASE take some! Meet me after church at the north window and take some home. *Marilyn Burgard*

Attention New Coffee Servers: There will be a half-hour training session for all new coffee servers today at 10:30 in the kitchen. See you then!

This is the last Sunday to order Easter flowers: The order needs to be submitted by tomorrow at 4:00 p.m.! Easter lilies and potted plants will be purchased and placed in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. 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. Note the name(s) on the envelope and in turn, the names will be listed on the bulletin on Easter morning. If your donation is toward a tulip plant or daffodil, indicate this on the pew envelope and your name will be on a label on the back side of the pot. Prices this year for lilies, tulips, and daffodils are \$8.00 for each 6" pot, and \$14.00 for each 8" pot.

Lent Worship: As we journey through Lent, please join us for our final Lenten Midweek Prayer Service this Wednesday evening at 5:45 p.m. for Soup Supper, followed by Worship at 7:00 p.m. Intern Pastor Karen will conclude 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 Thanksgiving."

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 25: The following people are scheduled to assist in worship this Wednesday:

Council: Kelli VandenBerg Altar Guild: Elizabeth Druckrey
Sound: Mike Siebelink Counters: Jennifer Buddemeier
Ushers: Dan Johnson, Bill Steele, Tim Zeitter, Stuart & Sandy Healey



What are your gifts?

Why not learn/confirm your spiritual gifts by completing the [ELCA Assessment Tool](http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Faith-Practices/Assessment-Tools) 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.
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.

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.

Holy Week Volunteer Worship Participants (April 2 and 3):

Council:

Maundy Thursday: Andy VanGessel
Good Friday: Steve Gillich

Altar Guild:

Maundy Thursday: Suzanne Johnson
Good Friday: Suzanne Johnson

Acolyte:

Maundy Thursday: _____
Good Friday: _____

Worship Assistant:

Maundy Thursday: _____

Ushers:

Maundy Thursday: Kathy Reister, Mark Baker, Craig Ratliff
Good Friday: Dave, Lisa, Ben, & Matthew Harris

Communion Assistants:

Maundy Thursday: Jennifer Buddemeier, Ginny Wheeler

Reader:

Maundy Thursday: Suzanne Snider
Good Friday: Kim Zeitter

Nursery:

Maundy Thursday: Megan Steele
Good Friday: Megan Steele

Counters: Jennifer Buddemeier, _____

Sound Board:

Maundy Thursday: Mike Siebelink
Good Friday: Mike Siebelink



Holy Week

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Note from the Office: The office will be closed on Friday, March 27. Wednesday, March 25, at 11:00 a.m. is the bulletin announcement deadline this week.

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

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is coming up! Join us on March 29th from 10:15-11:00 a.m. (during Sunday School) for some good old fashioned Easter Egg hunting, as well as some treats, crafts, and devotions for Holy Week. All are welcome and we look forward to sharing this fellowship time with our CLC family!

April Branch Deadline: The next Branch will be published and distributed on April 5, Easter Sunday. If you would like to submit an article, share pictures of an activity you participated in, or let everyone know about something coming up, please consider including it in the Branch! The deadline for submission is **Tuesday, March 31, 10:00 a.m.** (This date is different than what was listed in the March Branch.) Remember, this is the deadline – Audrey will accept information any time before this date, too ☺ You can give Audrey your information by emailing it to office@clcwyoming.org or on paper – just drop it off in the office or her mailbox in the copy room.

We are getting very close to Holy Week... and we thank all of you for participating in the longstanding 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.

Join us for Easter Brunch! Join us on Sunday, April 5th for the annual fundraiser to fund various youth activities at Christ Lutheran Church. A great breakfast will be served from **8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**, under the direction of our very own Tom Powell II. This project is sponsored by South Kent Chapter of Thrivent Financials for Lutherans.

Something New Is In the Air... if you're a woman who loves to lunch, laugh, and celebrate life and are usually free the second Tuesday of the month, then *YOU* are invited to join this new-in-the-making CLC group! Originally conceived as a widows gathering, the group has quickly blossomed to include *all CLC women (single, married, widowed, divorced)* who love to lunch, laugh and celebrate life! Our next gathering will be Tuesday, April 14, at 11:45 a.m. at Russ' Restaurant, 2340 – 28th Street SW. If you have questions and/or would like to join us, please RSVP by Easter Sunday, April 5, to Intern Pastor Karen (616-532-2774; Karen@clcwyoming.org) or Marilyn Miheve 616-538-3384; mimiheve@gmail.com).

Bro Buddies: 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.

Thrivent At the Whitecaps: The South Kent Chapter of Thrivent Financial is sponsoring a fellowship event at a West Michigan Whitecaps game on Sunday, May 17, 2015. This event is open to all Thrivent members, their families and friends. The cost of tickets is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 3 to 12. This charge covers the cost of the ticket. The food, which will include hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, and soft drinks is provided courtesy of the South Kent Thrivent chapter and the food is all you can eat. We will be sitting in the Pioneer Mutual Deck which is located in right center field and you should enter through the center field entrance. Tickets will be provided at the game. Please pick up an information sheet at the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space. Complete the form as indicated and mail it in as directed.

Blood Drive Update: Every drive seems to have a different pattern. This one had a very rare start because I didn't even know we were having one. There were many different ups and downs, but the bottom line is that we were able to donate 25 units of blood last Sunday. That is a real good drive! We have an amazing group of donors here at Christ Lutheran and Michigan Blood is very thankful for all of you. As I have said before, you are saving lives right here in West Michigan. Mark your calendars for the next drive. It will be Sunday, May 17. I will begin working immediately - more information to come in the April Branch. Thanks to all, Dave Park

Save the Date: CLC is schedule to do Final Landscaping for Habitat for Humanity on Saturday, August 15, at 8:00 a.m.

New Edition of the CLC Brochure: An updated version of our brochure is now complete and can be found in the pew racks. The Evangelism Committee tried to list activities and educational opportunities that are likely to be of interest to CLC visitors. Feel free to take a copy or two for your use, or to share with someone who might be seeking a church. The committee thanks Mark Baker for arranging the printing.

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. You can place your clean jars in the blue collection box behind the counter in the Gathering Space.



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.

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 are in need of blankets and children's educational DVD's. These 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** to all who have already provided items and God Bless!



Mosaic: No Mosaic tonight, since we are recuperating from the 30 Hour Famine.

TGIF: Don't forget we will be going to Skyzone at 6:30 p.m. on March 27. Cost is \$14.00. If you have not signed up yet, please contact Kim Holwerda to see if there is still room.

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.
