

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 29, 2016

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

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church
May 29 – June 5, 2016

Serving Our Congregation
Sunday, June 5, 2016

Today – May 29

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. VISIONING Focus Groups
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship

Monday – May 30



Tuesday – May 31

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

Wednesday – June 1

7:00 p.m. VISIONING Focus Group

Friday – June 3

Office Closed
2:00 p.m. Open House preparations

Saturday – June 4

9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry
9:30 a.m. Peer Review Meeting
10:00-1:00 p.m. Open House - Boes

Sunday – June 5

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
10:15 a.m. VISIONING Focus Group
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
12:30 p.m. VISIONING Focus Group
12:15 p.m. Christian Education Meeting
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship

Last Week's Response:

Attendance: 9:00 a.m. – 118 11:15 a.m. – 136
Offerings Received YTD: \$157,260
Offerings Needed YTD: \$159,519



Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 a.m. service today to the Glory of God in honor of Brad Schulz's Birthday.
Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 a.m. service today to the Glory of God in honor of Vern & Barb Benson's 60th Wedding Anniversary.



Council:

9:00 a.m. Andy VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Mark Baker

Altar Guild:

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Druckrey
11:15 a.m. Jean Wisinski

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Addy Laurent
11:15 a.m. Bobbie Neubecker

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Sydney Hudson
11:15 a.m. Kat Flynn

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Richard Jaeschke
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane, Heather Miller
11:15 a.m. Bill & Toni Steele

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Pete VanGessel, Chuck & Gail Fleming, Kim Reed, Rogers Johnson
11:15 a.m. Dan Johnson, Bill Steele, Tim Zeitter, Stu & Sandy Healey

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Jim & Jane Ward, Chris Boes
11:15 a.m. Deb Park, Toni Steele, Gerry Stockwell

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Jim Nemeth
11:15 a.m. Michael Evele

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Megan Steele, Vicki Blubaugh
11:15 a.m. Megan Steele, Kristen Bishop

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Mary Whitehead, Karen Whitehouse
11:15 a.m. Denise Sironen, Gerry Stockwell

Counters: Jeff Emrich, Letty Burgstahler

Sprouts Teachers: Alison Dutkiewicz, Serena Bush

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer
11:15 a.m. Hannah Lundquist

Sound Board:

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

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests from May 22

- ✚ Prayers of comfort for Nate & Amanda, and Calvin, whose 1-year-old son/brother died last week.
- ✚ Prayers of healing for Donna Waetcher who is very ill in the ICU.
- ✚ Prayers of healing and strength for Joy Johnson.
- ✚ Pray for relief from pain for Sylvia Gonzales.
- ✚ Prayers of healing for Vicki as she continues to fight with cancer.
- Prayers of blessings and safety to all the graduates as they set off on their journeys.
- Prayers of healing for Aunt Carmin who was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Pray for Amanda & Eric Montgomery who are struggling in their marriage.
- Prayers of healing for Pat Potter after her recent knee surgery.
- Pray that Don & Kim can find a new place to live.

Prayer Requests from May 15

- ✚ Prayers of healing for Ray Dawn (Marie Smith's dad) who had a heart cath procedure this week.
- ✚ Prayers of safety for those travelers who are returning home.
- ✚ Prayers of health and strength for Ted Niemeyer who is hospitalized at Spectrum Health.
- ✚ Prayers of healing for Christine Chacon's hand and that her spirit may be lifted.
- ✚ Pray for employment for college graduates in their new career fields.
- ✚ Prayers of blessing for Bruce & Sue Doll who were married yesterday.
- ✚ Prayers of comfort for Beth and her family as she makes the journey from this life into God's loving arms.
- ✚ Pray for all exchange students who are leaving this week to go back to their home countries.
- ✚ Pray for those who suffer with depression that the veil of depression be lifted up and they will be blessed.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
- Adam Lundquist
- Cody Westbrook, grandsons of David Barrenger
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson
- 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, serving in South Korea
- Jeff McCullough
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder

CLC VISIONING Focus Groups: We are off and running! Our small groups are gathering right now to peer into the future and discuss what God seems to be doing in our church. Come and be part of the conversation – we need to hear from you! The meetings will about an hour. Group times are the following:

Sunday, May 29, at 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, June 1, at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 5, at 10:15 a.m. or 12:30 p.m.

Monday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 8, at 7:00 p.m.

We will discuss 3 questions during these meetings:

1. What is going well?
2. What are areas for improvement or opportunities?
3. What other thoughts or feedback do you have?

It is exciting to be part of a church where God is moving through so many in such powerful ways. This is an opportunity to hone our vision and make some plans for the next couple years. Thanks for helping!

Notes From the Office:

**The announcement deadline this week is Wednesday, June 1 at 1:00 p.m. The office will be closed on Friday, June 3.

**The deadline for the Summer(June/July) Edition of the Branch is Tuesday, June 7, at 10:00 a.m. Please be sure to submit information from the great activities that have been happening recently here at CLC and also plans for upcoming summer events!

Invitation: We are excited to announce that Alyssa Boes is graduating from Grandville High School and we would like to invite everyone who has had a hand in guiding her on her faith journey to a brunch open house at CLC on Saturday, June 4, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Craft Sunday: We are having our first Craft Sunday on June 5th!! We invite all the CLC youth to join us during second service and lend a helping and crafty hand to creating some decorations that we can use during VBS. Come use your talents to make something special, or be a helper to some of the younger kids in the group. Looking ahead? Mark down these dates too: June 12, July 10, and July 17. We'd love to have your help on any or all of those days.

Piano Recital: Mark your calendars for Monday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Hazel's annual piano recital will take place here at CLC showcasing the talents of her students (some of which are our own CLC youth!). The recital is open for all to attend and we hope to see many of you here that evening to enjoy this event.

Love, Laugh 'n' Lunch's Next Gathering will be on Tuesday, June 7, at 11:30 a.m. at Railside Country Club, 2500 76th St. SW in Byron Center. RSVP by Tuesday, May 31 to Intern Pastor Karen (616-532-2774 or Karen@clcwyoming.org) or Marilyn Miheve (616-538-3384 or mimiheve@gmail.com). We'd love to have you join us!

Body and Soul Sisters! We are meeting on Tuesday, June 7th at 6:30 p.m. at the church. Suzanne has arranged for her personal trainer, Michelle, to come and train us from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$3 per person. Please bring either a mat or towel for the workout. If anyone has a portable speaker please let me know. Michelle needs one to hook up her phone so we can have music to work out with. Please email ann.modzeleski@att.net if you are able to attend. We will be meeting afterwards for a focus group. This meeting should last about 1 hour.

Can You Pledge or Pray? I will be participating in my 17th MS bike ride, which takes place June 11-12. The ride raises money for the battle against Multiple Sclerosis. Along with a few hundred other folks, I'll bicycle at least 75 miles Saturday and 75 miles Sunday. If I raise more than \$500, I'll ride 100 miles Saturday and 100 miles Sunday if I am at all able. Sorry to add a wimpy disclaimer this year, but I'm finding the 100 distance gets tougher every year. Once again, the response last year from CLC was incredible and I can't thank the people enough who pledged me. As has been the case for the last few years, I'm not in the shape I should be for this ride. So ... if you want to see me suffer, or at least anguish over the decision to do the longer distance, push me over the \$500 mark 😊 The 18,000+ people in Michigan who live with MS will be grateful for each donation.

There are two easy ways to pledge:

- 1) Just pay me directly by cash or check (made out to "National MS Society"). I have MS Society receipts should you desire one.
- 2) Even easier, you can pledge online. Just follow the link below, click the "Donate to David" button, and follow the directions.

http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/MIGBikeEvents?px=11230301&pg=personal&fr_id=27249

I certainly understand if folks are unable to pledge. Everyone has charities that are near and dear to their heart, and you can't give to every cause. If not able to pledge, a simple prayer for a safe ride is much appreciated. 150 / 200 miles on Michigan roads has its share of risks. Feel free to forward this note to others who you think may want to pledge.

Thank you very much for your support! - Dave Harris

Summer is Just Around the Corner! What better way to stay in touch than by meeting up for ice cream during the week! Join your fellow CLC members on June 22 at Burlingame Dip & Dogs (formerly Burlingame Dairy Dip), July 20 at Houseman's in Byron Center, and back to the Dip & Dogs on August 17 to round out the summer. No sign up necessary, just mark your calendars for 7:00 p.m. and come join in the fun!

Service Opportunities: We have a couple of service opportunities we are offering this summer to all members of CLC. Check out the sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space and share the gift of God's love through service and some good eats! We can work through transportation issues for anyone who would like to join us.

- In June, I am looking at two dates, the 23rd and the 30th where we can use a team of 8 people each day to head over to the Ronald McDonald House and bake some sweet treats for the families staying there. This is open to all but our youngest CLC members. Small children must be supervised at all times, and because of the size constraints in the kitchen, they ask that we keep to just those that are helping with the baking. If you like baking, we'd love to have you! This service time will take place between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- On August 17th, before we head to the Burlingame Dip & Dogs for some amazing ice cream, how about we provide a great meal for some others who could really use it? Sign up to help out at Gilda's Club. This is open to all CLC members, young and old! We will ask for donations of food items, and then go to Gilda's to set up for dinner for their patrons, and clean up when they are done. It's a great way to reach out to a community that can really use the support of others to make it through a difficult time.

Personal Care Pantry: Items needed this week: bath soap, shampoo, conditioner, fabric softener, laundry detergent, Kleenex, and dish detergent. These donations can be put in the box behind the Welcome Center. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and food for the dinners.

Prayer Partners Are Needed! We have two trips this summer starting in July with 13 youth and 4 adults traveling to Work Camp in WV, followed by 13 CLC members traveling to San Lucas Toliman Guatemala for a mission trip. That is a total of 30 prayer partners needed! We have signups and more information in the Gathering Space. All notes/goodies are due by June 26. Thank you!

Youth Camp Scholarships: If your child is planning on attending a Christian Camp this summer, please fill out a camp scholarship form that is available on the youth board. We want to assist you in sending your child to a week of fun that focuses on faith, service, and worship of our loving God. Please return the paperwork to Andy VanGessel or Sarah Dockweiler by July 10.

The ONE program is our middle school VBS program that happens this year on July 12, 13, and 14. Though not as large as our traditional VBS program, ONE takes some hands to make it all work. We are in need of volunteers to help set up some games, help with service projects, play some music, lead a small group and donate meals each night. Please take a moment and check out the lime green volunteer/donation needs we asking for on the picnic tables in the gathering space. All supplies are provided for service projects, games, and small group leading. ONE happens the same week as the Guatemala Mission trip so we are losing some of our key players while they participate in their mission trip this year. This is a great time to try something new and be a part of a great experience for our middle school aged youth! High schoolers, you are welcome to participate as volunteers too!

Our VBS Donation Tree has sprouted some new needs. Please check out the tags hanging, grab one that looks good, and return the tag with your item to the large blue bin within the next couple of weeks. We truly appreciate all the support CLC gives to this program!

Summer Sprouts: Four of our 13 lessons have been taken for Summer Sprouts! If you haven't had a chance to sign up to teach a lesson, please do so at the picnic tables this week. All the lesson plans and craft ideas are given for you, we have a big closet of art supplies to use; we just need a willing person to lead the class of these very fun youngest members of CLC. It's a great thing to do as a family too, so bring your kids and take a Sunday to help out.

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