

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for July 26, 2015

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

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

July 26 – August 2, 2015

Today – July 26

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. Sudanese Worship

Monday – July 27

6:30 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting
6:30 p.m. Christian Education Meeting

Tuesday – July 28

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m. Newsletter Deadline
7:00 p.m. Fellowship Meeting

Thursday – July 30

7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry @Marilyn Burgard's home

Saturday – August 1

9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry

Sunday – August 2

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. Sudanese Worship
6:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School Starts

Serving Our Congregation

Sunday, August 2, 2015

Council:

9:00 a.m. Ray Punches
11:15 a.m. Kelli VandenBerg

Altar Guild: Karen Metzner

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Callie Torkelson
11:15 a.m. Bev Tillman

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Wally Snider
11:15 a.m. Chloe Goetsch

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Chris Herp
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Tim & Sarah Laurent
11:15 a.m. Ken & Tammy Davison

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Herb Libby, Rogers Johnson, Brian Crane,
Zach Barnes
11:15 a.m. Stewart Healey, Ken & Tammy Davison,
Rich Neubecker

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Pat Potter, Hazel Rouker, Pete VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Ken Davison, Christa Killgore, Matt June

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Jane Ward
11:15 a.m. Cindy June

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Megan Steele
11:15 a.m. Megan Steele, Julie/Maggie Gillich, Claire Koehler

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Tim & Sarah Laurent
11:15 a.m. Don & Dar Hollerback

Counters: Annette Wendland, Letty Burgstahler

Sprouts Teacher: Christa & Christopher Killgore

Video Operator: Hannah Lundquist

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Brian Byler
11:15 a.m. Matt June

Last Week's Response: July 19, 2015

Attendance:

9:00 a.m. – 108 11:15 a.m. – 124

Offerings to Date: \$218, 151

Offerings Needed: \$220, 288

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests from July 19

- † Prayers of healing and comfort for Georgia Cutler who had surgery on Friday.
- † Prayers of thanks for healthy children and for this church as a child-loving place.
- † Prayers of thanks for the blessing of grandchildren.
- † Pray for Fred Howard who is fighting cancer.
- † Pray for Mark Baker who is having skin cancer surgeries on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- † Prayers of safety for all the young people who attended the Gathering in Detroit. May they bring their faith home.
- † Prayers of peace and healing for Cheryl Bechtold who has ongoing cancer struggles.
- † Prayers of blessings on the ordination today and future ministries of Kyle Merkel.
- † Pray for strength, peace, and that Corey Skelton may be led to Jesus; he is struggling overseas in the Army.
- † Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters being martyred in foreign lands.
- † Prayers of peace for the Holwerda family as they mourn the loss of Kim's grandfather.
- † Prayers of healing for the father of Kim Boes, who had a stroke and has heart problems.

Prayer Requests from July 12

- † Prayers for safety and guidance for our Youth and adult chaperones traveling to Detroit for the National Gathering.
- † Prayers for Amber Fisher and new baby born on July 11th weighing 3 pounds.
- † Prayers for strength and courage for a friend entering a rehab center.
- † Prayers for Gabe Hernandez, son-in-law to Matt & Cindy June, who has had a set back after shunt removal.
- † Prayers for Fred Howard who is fighting cancer.
- † Prayers for Herb & Vivian Libby who are traveling via air, land and sea in the Maritime Province of Canada.
- † Prayers of strength and peace for Doctor "O" and family, who has been placed in hospice care for cancer.
- † Prayers of healing for Leslie Reese who had shoulder surgery.
- † Prayers for safe travels for the Scott Rice family as they head back to California.
- † Prayers for peace and comfort for the family of Pearl Richards.
- † Prayers of healing for Allison Ulery who is undergoing chemo for breast cancer, for Brenda Barr who needs a new kidney, and for Alice Henry for improved health.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Groeneveld	Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
Jeff McCullough	Adam Lundquist
Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward	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, serving in South Korea	

****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 given at the 9:00 worship service today to the Glory of God by Georgia Cutler, in memory of Floyd.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service today to the Glory of God by Gary & Peggy McCourry, in memory of Bud & MaryLu Higbee, Gary's parents.



A Big THANK YOU to all of our volunteers, those who donated food, and to our youth who attended our ONE program this past week! We had a great three nights of fun, faith and fellowship! Check out the August edition of The Branch next week for photos and all the details from our event!

They Are Finally Here! The *LifeTouch* Picture Directories are here. Look for the table in the Gathering Space on Sunday and be sure to pick up your copy. Please remember: if you see any errors or omissions in the 'CLC Membership Directory' that was printed on 7/22/15, please let Audrey know so that our files can be updated.

Branch Deadline: If you would like something included in the August Branch, please turn it in to the office by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28. It will be published for Sunday, August 2. Please email information to office@clcwyoming.org or put it in Audrey's mailbox in the work room.

God's Work. Our Hands. We will be putting in our order for the "God's Work. Our Hands." t-shirts the first week in August. If you would like to order one, the cost is \$6.50. Orders will be taken until August 1. Sign up in the Gathering Space. You may pay with a check made out to CLC or with cash. Unixex sizes available adult small – 5X and youth sizes small – XL. Shirts will be here by Sept. 13. If you would like your shirt sooner or are interested in a long sleeve T or a sweatshirt, you can place your order at www.oldlutheran.com.

VBS Is Next Week!

- We are in need of 2-liter clear pop bottles.
- VBS starts on Sunday, August 2nd! If you haven't registered your children yet, it's not too late! Stop by our table this morning OR go to www.clcwyoming.org and register online! If you have volunteered for Vacation Bible School but were unable to attend our volunteer meeting last week, please email Sarah McKenney at sarah@clcwyoming.org to get all of the important information about our upcoming summer ministry event. Haven't volunteered yet but still want to join us? Stop by the VBS table this morning or email Sarah for more information.

Body & Soul Sisters!

- Tuesday, August 4, at 6:30 p.m. we will be bike riding in Millennium Park (1415 Maynard Ave. SW, Walker). Meet in Parking Lot A (in the Recreation Core off Maynard), bring your bike, and be ready to ride! Maps: <https://www.accesskent.com/Parks/MillenniumPark/maps.htm> (Scroll to bottom of the page.)
- Thursday, August 20, we will meet at 6:30 p.m. at 5/3 Ball Park (131 & West River Drive) for a Whitecaps game. We are getting lawn seats (\$7 each), so bring a blanket/low lawn chair. The game starts at 7. Carpools from church or Suzanne Gut's house (near 5/3) are available; times TBA. Please RSVP to Suzanne by August 16 so we can pre-purchase tickets.

Love, Laugh 'n Lunch will gather again on Tuesday, August 4, at 11:30 a.m. at Russ' Restaurant, 2340 28th Street SW. To make reservation by Wednesday, July 28, please contact Intern Pastor Karen ([616-532-2774](tel:616-532-2774) or karen@clcwyoming.org) or Marilyn Miheve ([616-538-3384](tel:616-538-3384) or mimiheve@gmail.com). We'd love to have you join us!

Prayer Shawl makers will meet at Marilyn's this Thursday evening at 7. Anyone who makes shawls or would like to learn how to knit or crochet is welcome.

The Annual Church Picnic for our CLC Congregation and the Sudanese Congregation will be held on Sunday, August 16, after the 2nd service. Meat and drinks will be provided, including Tom's famous brats, burgers, and dogs! Please bring your own table service, either a side dish or dessert to pass, and your lawn chairs. Be ready to join in some great games for kids and adults and don't miss the Pie Baking Contest! You won't want to miss this fun time of fellowship with your church family!

Blood Drive: The next Blood Drive will be held here at CLC on Sunday, August 16. Please see Dave Park to reserve your time slot.

Sprouts Needs You: We are still in need of teachers for Sprouts this summer! If you are available to teach on August 23 or August 30, we would love for you to sign up in the Gathering Space for one of those dates today!

Sudanese Congregation Need: After 10 years of worship, the Sudanese are replacing the Dinka hymnals for their congregation. We are looking to raise \$1,000 towards this expense. \$200 has been raised so far. Please donate using a pew envelope to Christ Lutheran Church and mark it for Sudanese. Please contact Kim Zeitter at (616) 826-6616 if you can help. Thank you.

If You Have Pictures of any church activity that you wish to share with the congregation, please email them with a brief description to the office at pictures@clcwoming.org. The pictures will be made available to the church website, Facebook page, Gathering Space slide shows, and Branch newsletter. Thank you.

Kristen Thornton, our Resident Artist has had one of her paintings, "Twin Pines", accepted into the West MI Regional Arts competition. It will be on display at the Muskegon museum until August. One of her panels from ArtPrize 2014, "LakeView I", is on display at the Frauenthal Center Bettye Clark Gallery through September in down town Muskegon and is part of the Art in Our City exhibition. In addition, two other paintings, "Reach for the Sky" and "Sleeping Bear Dunes", were accepted into the Greater Michigan Art Exhibition in Midland MI, and on display until mid-September.

It's That Time of Year Again . . . no, I'm not talking about snow, I'm talking Back-To-School, and our BTS ministry. The Back-To-School ads have started so let's take advantage of them to help us with Lutheran World Relief and our local school Gladiola Elementary. Here is what we are looking for this year: people to sew the backpacks and people to provide supplies to fill the backpacks. You can do both, too ☺. These are the items we need to fill each backpack:

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| 5 – pens | 5 – pencils |
| 4 – 70 page wire notebooks | 1 – eraser |
| 1 – pencil sharpener | 1 – 16 or 24 count box of crayons |
| 1 – ruler (needs to have metric on it, okay if it has inches) | |
| 1 – blunt tipped scissor (please make sure they are blunt tipped) | |



If you have any questions, please talk to Jennifer Buddemeier or call her at 534-0622.

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Support for Habitat for Humanity:

- CLC will once again be hosting the **Habitat for Humanity BBQ Cook Off** on Wednesday, August 12, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. I am still looking for donations of side dishes and desserts for the day of the event. Sign-up sheets will be at the Welcome Center. Please come and join us for an evening of Fun, Great BBQ, and Fellowship. The event is free, but we ask that you “vote” with your dollars for your favorite BBQ Team. CLC will have 3 teams involved this year! If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate, checks can be made out to Habitat for Humanity and are 100% tax deductible. You can give your donation to me, or, you can put your donation in a pew envelope marked ‘Habitat.’ If you have questions, please call Tom Powell II at 616-299-1535.
- **Some people cook and others swim!** In a further effort to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity, Stu Healey will be swimming the Straits of Mackinac on Labor Day (4-5 miles, north to south), and will have a table at the BBQ Cook Off where he’ll be selling \$20 raffle tickets for a chance to win a 2-year lease on a new Lincoln MKC. So, bring your appetites and \$20. It’s all for a great cause. If you can’t make it to the Cook Off and still wish to make a donation, simply go to www.mightymacswim.com and make it under Stu’s name. Thanks!
- **Habitat for Humanity Final Landscaping** will be on August 15, 2015 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The task for the day will be landscaping the house at 901 Douglas NW, Grand Rapids, MI. Ages 14 and up are invited to help. This will be a perfect opportunity for anyone to get community service hours fulfilled. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space. You may also contact Ray Panches at 616-538-3741 with any questions. Thank you!

Looking For a New Spiritual Practice? CLC member Ryan Diederling would like to share a spiritual practice that he has found very meaningful in his life, which is a doxology to the Triune God that follows a pattern similar to—yet very different from—the Catholic Rosary. A limited number of copies are available at the Welcome Center.

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 food for the dinners.

Altar Flower Sign Up: Let’s complete the year by signing up for one of the Sunday time slots to provide Altar Flowers for our worship services. The Flower Sign Up binder is located on the Welcome Center counter. Season’s Flowers provides us with the most beautiful arrangements and at the very reasonable cost of \$22.00. When you sign up for a particular Sunday time slot, the arrangement is yours to take home after the service.

Nursery Volunteers Needed: Now that our nursery is available at the 9:00 a.m. services, **we need some help!** If you are willing to help out in the nursery during the early service, please contact Megan Steele at steelemj2003@att.net.

Can You Help Out a New CLC Member who lives in the Burton/Division area of Grand Rapids? Christine loves worshipping with us so much that she takes two buses plus walks some to get here. If you happen to drive near her location when you come to either of our church services, could you give her a ride? Contact Intern Pastor Karen at Karen@clcwyoming.com.

Save Your Cans: Don’t forget the High School Youth are always collecting pop cans and pop tops, to help fund their next project or trip. All donations can be placed in the bin located next to the youth table in the Narthex.