

# Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

## Announcements for August 10, 2014

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

### This Week at Christ Lutheran Church August 10-17, 2014

#### Today

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
12:30 p.m. Church Picnic  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship

#### Monday

5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry  
6:00 p.m. TOPS  
6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting

#### Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

#### Wednesday

7:00 a.m. BNI Team Meeting  
5:00 p.m. BBQ Cookoff  
6:00 p.m. Healthy Families  
7:00 p.m. Walking Club  
7:30 p.m. Men's Prayer Group

#### Thursday

7:00 p.m. Mission Support Meeting

#### Friday

9:00 a.m. Walking Club

#### Saturday

9:30 a.m. Farmer's Market  
4:00 p.m. Sudanese Action Team  
5:45 p.m. Degage Ministry

#### Sunday

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

(Please see page 4 for more details on the summer activities!)

### Serving Our Congregation Sunday, August 17, 2014

#### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Pete Van Gessel  
11:15 a.m. Mike Burgstahler

#### **Altar Guild:** Jennifer Buddemeier

#### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Joy Johnson  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Travis Wright  
11:15 a.m. Emelie Fischer

#### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Ron Heidrich  
11:15 a.m. David Westover

#### **Coffee:**

9:00 a.m. Tim & Amy Partee  
11:15 a.m. Jackie, Claire & Jacob Koehler

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. Pete Van Gessel, Chuck & Gail Fleming, Kim Reed  
11:15 a.m. Ken Lundquist, Kristen Thornton, Tom Owens,  
Ray PUNCHES

#### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Pete VanGessel, Jim Ward, Andy Wicks, Chris Boes  
11:15 a.m. Daryl & Jennifer Brey Meyer, Cathy Chappel

#### **Reader:**

9:00 a.m. Mary Knappen  
11:15 a.m. Steve Green

#### **Nursery:**

11:15 a.m. Peggy McCourry

#### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Larry & Mary Knappen  
11:15 a.m. Kristen Thornton

#### **Counters:** Bill Boss, Brian Crane

#### **Sprouts Teacher:** Sarah McKenney

#### **Video Operator:** Jason Tierney

#### **Sound Board:**

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

#### **Last Week's Response August 3, 2014**

##### *Attendance*

1<sup>st</sup> Service: 145    2<sup>nd</sup> Service: 132

##### *Budget Information*

Needed per month:        \$35,299  
August offerings to date:    \$8,238

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

**Congratulations** to Justin & Kristin Bishop who celebrated the birth of their son, Landyn Bernard Bishop, on July 6. His grandparents Don & Dar Hollerback were also excited to welcome him!

## **Prayer Requests from August 3**

- † Pray for Larry & Yvonne who have health issues.
- † Pray for healing of Chris Herp's knee.
- † Pray for comfort for Rebecca Van Gessel whose friend Melissa passed away.
- † Pray for healing for Carson Conklin and his family.
- † Pray for comfort for former members Michele, Steven & Rebecca Olthoff as they grieve the loss of their loving husband & dad, Richard.
- † Pray for Amanda Poll as she struggles with infertility.
- † Prayers of comfort and strength for Heather & Jeff Thurow's Grandma C following her recent cancer diagnosis.
- † Pray for safe travel for the Scharf family who are coming for Bob's birthday.
- † Pray for Shelby Grinzing, a 3-year-old with kidney disease.

## **Prayer Requests from July 27**

- † Prayers for those preparing for ministry especially Karen coming to CLC as an intern pastor and Kyle and Bree who have just completed their internships.
- † Pray for safe travels for all those vacationing.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving that Andrew Groeneveld is home from Kuwait.
- † Prayers for guidance on job questions for Kristen.
- † Prayers of praise and thanks for God's mercy.
- † Prayers for peace in the family for the PUNCHES.
- † Prayers for healing for Mary and Jeanne (friends of Joy Johnson) after surgery.
- † Pray for love and comfort for Michelle Olthoff and Steven and Rebecca, at the passing of Richard Olthoff.
- † Pray for healing for Eli Jackson, the 3 year old great nephew of Toni and Bill Steele who has stage 3 cancer.
- † Prayers for Marion Withers for the proper and expedient treatment of a swallowing condition.
- † Prayers for Darrell DeHaan and family, as Darrell's 5 year old son has had a reoccurrence of his leukemia.
- † Prayers for the family and friends of Gerry Stockwell who are in need of healing.

## **Pray for Those Serving in the Military**

Andrew Groeneveld  
Samantha Tierney  
Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen  
Brandon Westbrook and Cody Westbrook, grandsons of David Barrenger  
Casey Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort and Jack and Shirley Reminga

Jeff McCullough  
Adam Lundquist  
Jesse Cunningham, grandson of Howard & Muriel Andrews

*\*\*\*If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office (532-2774 or [office@clcwyoming.org](mailto:office@clcwyoming.org)) by Wednesday afternoon of each week 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 to the glory of God by Larry & Mary Knappen in honor of their 34<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 9.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service to the glory of God by Suzanne & Tim Snider in honor of Rebecca's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday.



**Church Picnic:** The Church Picnic is today! Plan to join your church family in the back parking lot at 12:30. The meat and drinks will be provided, please plan to bring either a side dish or dessert to share and your lawn chairs, and don't forget to also bring your own tableware and your pie for the Pie Judging Contest. We are looking forward to a great afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship!

**Office Note:** The deadline for the September edition of The Branch is **Wednesday, August 20**. It will be printed and available on Friday, August 29. This is your chance to communicate about events that are starting up for fall; or maybe a recap of something you did this summer! Please email information to Audrey at [office@clcwyo.org](mailto:office@clcwyo.org). You may also drop items off in the office.

**VBS was a Success!!** Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated food and craft items, and prayed for this ministry. Your support is what makes this ministry possible. We had a great week and we had over 110 kids! We raised \$776.15 towards Kids Food Basket.

**From the Mission Support Committee:** We have much to celebrate and be grateful for in our congregation. We just finished another terrific week of VBS and were recently inspired by our Youth as they led our worship service. In that same spirit, our Mission Support Committee would like to celebrate the ways we use our gifts of time, talent and treasure outside our congregation. Do you give to a charity that is dear to your heart? Are you volunteering your time at a school, hospital or other facility? Do you donate items to other nonprofits? Please visit our display in the narthex and fill out a card for us!

**Found** – A heart-shaped necklace was found in the narthex on Sunday, July 6. If you think it might be yours, please call the office at 532-2774 to identify it.

**Walking Club** – We will be walking on Wednesday, August 13, at 7:00 p.m., and Friday, August 15, at 9:00 a.m. Meet in the church parking lot. Join us even if you did not sign up!

**Personal Care Pantry** – Items needed this week: toilet paper (double roll), laundry detergent

**Thank You!** Your contributions to Gift of Water totaled \$1,756 toward the Summer Matching Gift Challenge for Lutheran World Relief for the Gift of Water! Thank you very much to all of you!

**How Can I Help??** Are you looking for a spot to plug in to the ministries at Christ Lutheran? We have opportunities to teach all ages of Sunday School starting this fall. Please contact Sarah McKenney at [sarah@clcwyo.org](mailto:sarah@clcwyo.org) if you have an interest in teaching Sunday School... Fall will be here before we know it!

**Confirmation for 2014-15:** Do you have a child heading into 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall? We are getting ready to send out information about our two-year Confirmation program that meets on Wednesday evenings during the school year. Please contact Sarah McKenney at [sarah@clcwyo.org](mailto:sarah@clcwyo.org) so we make sure we have you on the list!

**Open House:** Pastor Dave, Sarah, Noah and Nugget invite you to an Open House at our new home in Jenison on Sunday, August 24, beginning at 2 p.m. and ending at 5 p.m. We will provide the meat and lemonade/iced tea along with plates and hardware. If the first letter of your last name is A-F please bring a salad; G-L please bring a dessert; and M-Z please bring a side dish to pass. Outdoor games are also welcome: bags, ladderball, and croquet. If you want anything else to drink bring it. We only have 4 outdoor chairs, so bring a yard chair too! Our new home is located at 8181 Crestview Avenue in Jenison. Maps will be available at the Welcome Center.

**Do You Give Electronically?** We have had a request by some of our congregation who give electronically but would still like to put something in the offering plate. Online giving cards will be available next Sunday and can be found in a basket at the Usher station. Those who give electronically may pick one up on their way into worship and drop it into the plate during the offering.

## CLC SUMMER ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

August 13 – Walking Club – 7:00 p.m. meet in the church parking lot

August 15 – Walking Club – 9:00 a.m. meet in the church parking lot

August 16 – 9:30 a.m. – Meet at Fulton Street Market, 1147 Fulton Street East, Grand Rapids

**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Habitat for Humanity BBQ Cook-Off:** Christ Lutheran Church will be hosting a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity on Wednesday, August 13 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Several teams are competing for “Best BBQ.” They need your votes! Businesses may also sponsor and contribute, as all proceeds go to Habitat for Humanity.

The cook-off will go from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., followed by an Awards service at 7:15 p.m. Several BBQ stations will be set up serving sample size portions of BBQ meat. Side dishes, drinks, and desserts will also be provided. There is no entry fee, but all present are asked to vote for their favorite BBQ meat item by putting dollars in a jar at their favorite station. There is no limit to what you can put in, so make sure your favorite group wins! **For every dollar we raise, Consumer’s Energy will match 50 cents!** Checks can be made out to Christ Lutheran Church and are tax deductible. The BBQ station with the most dollars at the end of the evening will be announced as the winner of the cook-off. Vote early – vote often! If you cannot attend, absentee votes, donations/checks/money orders/cash are all highly encouraged!

Do you like to grill out or BBQ and want to support a great cause? If you would like to put together a serving team to provide, prepare, and serve a BBQ or grilled meat item at the Habitat BBQ Cook-Off and compete for the “Best BBQ” award, contact Tom Powell II at 616-299-1535.

**Back to School Bags:** We have been having a phenomenal response in receiving back-to-school supplies and shipping boxes, and bags are being sewn! I want to thank everyone for what they have provided so far. We are half-way through our collection drive and I am looking forward to seeing us hit/surpass our goal of 175 BTS bags. We will continue to collect BTS supplies and bags through September 14. Here is what we need to accomplish this:

\*\*People willing to sew the drawstring bags

\*\*Donations of the following items to be put in *each* bag:

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| 5 – blue/black ballpoint pens     | 1 – 30 centimeter ruler |
| 5 - #2 pencils (unsharpened)      | 1 – pencil sharpener    |
| 4 – 70 count notebooks            | 1 – pair blunt scissors |
| 1 – box of 16 or 24 count crayons | 1 – 2 ½ in eraser       |



You will be able to pick up the fabric and string as well as drop off the BTS supplies at a table at the north end of the Narthex with the “BTS Bags” sign on it. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Buddemeier.

**Gladiola Elementary School:** Volunteering at Gladiola School is another avenue to let people know about Christ Lutheran Church. If you enjoy working with kids or assisting in the library or office, this is the opportunity for you to be a part of our ongoing outreach to the community. You may set your own time, day, age of child and what you would be comfortable doing. Registration forms can be found at the Welcome Center. If you need more information contact Kathy Reister at 538-6585 or [reisterkathy@gmail.com](mailto:reisterkathy@gmail.com).