

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church September 24-October 1, 2017

Today – September 24

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
12:00 p.m. New Member Orientation
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal

Monday – September 25

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings
6:30 p.m. Reformation Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – September 26

8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday – September 27

7:00 p.m. Worship Ensemble Practice

Thursday – September 28

6:30 p.m. Reformation Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Tech & Communications Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Women's Retreat Planning Meeting
7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

Saturday – September 30

9:30 a.m. Reformation Rehearsal

Sunday – September 24

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Last Week's Response:

Attendance on September 17
9:00 a.m. – 124 10:30 a.m. - 118
Offerings Needed YTD: \$288,362
Offerings Received YTD: \$270,227
Shortfall: \$18,135

Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: October 1, 2017

Council:

9:00 a.m. Linda Montgomery
11:15 a.m. Mike Evele

Altar Guild: Teresa Ortego

Bread Baker: Suzanne Johnson

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Teresa Ortego
11:15 a.m. Bev Tillman

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Isaac Carlson
11:15 a.m. Abby Corey

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Richard Jaeschke
11:15 a.m. Margie Evele

Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Lynn & Brian Byler
11:15 a.m. Peggy McCourry

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane, John, Colin & Connor Naklizki
11:15 a.m. Bill Houseknecht, Daryl & Jennifer Breymeyer,
Kristen Thornton

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Nicki Deuling, Lance Girand, Isaac Carlson
11:15 a.m. Cathy Chappell, Karen Metzner, Abby Corey

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Ray Hjelt
11:15 a.m. Kim Zeitter

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. *Schedule not available*
11:15 a.m. *Schedule not available*

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Gillich Family
11:15 a.m. Ken & Tammy Davison

Counters: Annette Wendland, Bill Boss

Sprouts Teachers: Snider Family, Marla Aymond

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer
11:15 a.m. Jon Killgore

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. David Archambault
11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Prayer Requests for the Week of September 17

- Prayers of healing for Richard Hall who is recovering from surgery.
- Prayers of comfort for the family of Loraine May who passed away on Friday.
- Prayers of healing for Tim Tierney.
- Prayers of comfort for Tim Tierney and his family, as his father passed away on Sept. 16. Funeral services will be held in St. Louis.
- Pray for all of us.
- Prayers of comfort for Anne & Patrick Gegg, who suffered the loss of a pregnancy.
- Prayers of healing for Chris VanderSlice and his family as he continues to “fight on” with all of his God-given grit against leukemia.
- Prayers of healing for Marcia Stevens who has throat cancer and dementia.
- Prayers of healing for Christy who is in the hospital with pneumonia.
- Prayers of thanks and many blessings for grandson Tyler’s 13th birthday.

Prayer Requests for the Week of September 10

- Prayer of comfort Bowling and Burgstahler families who mourn the loss of Forrest’s father, Wesley Bowling who lives in Manistee.
- Prayers of healing for Kelly Mondell who had surgery for thyroid cancer.
- Prayers of strength and healing for Sharon Frederick.
- Prayers of healing for Braden Swan who has a broken shoulder after falling off his bike.
- Pray for guidance for Allison who is having marital issues.
- Prayers of safety for those affected by the hurricanes, including: Melissa and her family, Karen & Kelly in St. Petersburg, and Robert J. Ortego in Florida.
- Prayers of healing for Chris Yaroush who had surgery on Tuesday.
- Prayers of thanks for watching over Travis Wright on his travels.
- Pray for healing for Craig Anderson who had surgery on his knee.
- Pray for healing for Jim Kramer who had surgery on Tuesday.
- Prayers of healing for Blake Donaldson who had shoulder surgery.
- Prayers of safety for Krystal Owens who is leaving for Republic of Georgia for 16 months to do mission work.

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- Chris Fite, nephew of Tammy Walsh
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who has been deployed to Iraq (in July).
- Specialist Kayla Champaco and her husband Lance (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who are both stationed in El Paso, Texas
- Sean Toomey, friend of the June family, on a 9-month tour to the Middle East and left his wife and 2 children home
- 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@clcwoming.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 Pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.*

Upcoming Worship Leaders:

Today: Pastor Michael Anton
October 1: Pastor Polly Standley
October 8: Pastor Polly Standley



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God by
Terry & Sindia Narber.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Confirmation Students: Confirmation class begins tonight at 6:00 PM. Make sure to bring your Bibles, any paperwork you need to turn in, and your mentor requests (if you haven't already turned this in – today is the deadline!). Class will run until 7:30 PM.

Attention Mosaic: 2018 National Gathering Registration ends today! If you are planning on going to the Gathering, you need to have your paperwork in to Steve by the end of the day today. If you didn't receive the information and you would like to go the Gathering, see Steve Lundquist as well. He can get you up to speed and give you the paperwork that needs to be filled out.

Branch Deadline: If you would like something included in the October Branch, please submit it to Audrey (office@clcwyoming.org) by Tuesday, September 26, at 10:00 AM.

Women of CLC! If you are interested in helping to plan our Women's Retreat for 2018, our first meeting is Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 PM. If you are unable to join us, but would like to take part in planning, please send me an email at suzanne@clcwyoming.org and let me know!

Step Up For Down Syndrome is fast approaching and we would like to invite you to join or support the Team Anna's Fans, honoring one of our CLC youth Anna Diaz. This year's walk is September 30 at John Ball Zoo. Not only does your \$15 registration support Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan, but it also gets you admission to the zoo for the entire day! Registration begins at 8:30 with the walk through the zoo starting at 11. Register or donate at <http://dsawm.ezeventsolutions.com/StepUp/AnnasFans> If there are any questions please contact Christa Killgore at workn4dalord@yahoo.com Hope to see you at the Zoo!

Reformation 500 Activities in October:

Oct. 3 – "Martin Luther: Reformer of Church & Society" at Trinity Lutheran Church. Free

Oct. 1-31 – "Renewed in Word, Faith, & Grace" juried Art Show at 6 venues (including CLC). Free

Oct. 19-21 – "Reformation," the musical will be held at Wealthy Theatre. Tickets are \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at Wealthy Theatre box office or website. The shows are at 7:30 PM on October 19 and 20, 2:00 PM on October 21. You can reach Wealthy Theatre at 616-459-4788 ext. 131.

Love, Laugh & Lunch will be meeting at Anna's House on October 3 at 11:30 AM. It is located across from Rivertown Crossings Mall at 3766 Potomac Dr., Grandville. We will be having a separate room again this time. Please RSVP to: Marilyn Miheve (mimiheve@gmail.com) or Dianne Vissers (diannevissers@gmail.com).

Christ Crew Camping is Coming! Mark your calendars and pack your bags! Christ Crew will be heading to Deep Lake Campground on October 7th for our campout and kickoff event! Christ Crew is for all youth 4th-6th Grade. We will be sleeping in tents, cooking over a fire, and maybe even trying some fishing! We will meet at CLC at noon (please eat before or bring lunch with you) and plan to return to the church by the start of 2nd Service on the 8th. We are looking for an additional adult who would love some outdoor time with these awesome youth! Cost is \$5; please RSVP to Christa Killgore at 616-283-2182 or workn4dalord@yahoo.com.

Youth Dinners: We will be putting together a few Youth Dinners this year on Sunday evenings. Our first dinner is on Sunday, October 8 beginning at 5:30 PM. The dinner is open to all youth, especially those involved in Junior Choir, Confirmation, and Mosaic. Look for a link to signup.com coming out in the announcements next week to sign up to bring donations and also to RSVP if your child will be attending.

Reformation Sunday Choir: Join us at CLC Sunday morning, October 29, as part of our own mass choir. Rehearsals will be October 11, 17, and 25 at 7:00 PM. We'll work on some music for Sunday morning and the afternoon Lutheran-Catholic Mass Choir.

Love, Laugh 'n Lunch: Plans are being made for a day trip on Thursday, October 12. We will take a Brown Bag Tour to Middlebury, IN – a brown bag will be given to each person to be filled by a collection of edible souvenirs to be taken home. A delicious Thresher's meal will be served in an Amish home. Tour includes transportation, local guide, coffee & rolls, lunch, and taxes and gratuities for the lunch and driver. Cost is \$92.00 to travel from Grandville to Middlebury. The estimated time line is 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. If you would like to go with us, please call Karen Owens (532-5301) or Marilyn Miheve (538-3384), or email Dianne Vissers (diannevissers@gmail.com).

** Forms are available at the Welcome Center and in the office if you would like to sign up.

Mentors of Confirmation Students: We will be having our first mentor activity on Sunday, October 15, beginning at 5:30 PM. We invite you to come and enjoy an Ice Cream Social with your mentee and get reacquainted or get to know each other for the first time! The social will last until 6:00 PM and then we invite you to stay and take part in our opening and commune with us to finish out our time together. If you are new to mentoring, Suzanne Snider will be meeting with mentors at 5:00 PM for a short meeting (15-20 minutes) to go over what the mentoring program consists of and answer any questions you might have. We hope to see you all there!

Art Show Greeters Are Needed: In connection with the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, we are one of six churches hosting artwork that ties in with the theme – Renewed in Word, Faith and Grace. We will open our church for viewing on the following dates and need volunteers to welcome visitors and hand out flyers on the artists and their work. Everyone with a smile is welcome to serve! Here are the dates that are still available:

Weds., October 18, 2-4 PM, Thurs., October 19, 5-7 PM, Weds., October 25, 2-4 PM, and Thurs., October 26, 5-7 PM. Please contact Sue Scharf at scscharf17@gmail.com or 430-2291 if you would like to help. Thanks so much!

Historic Event – Lutheran-Catholic Service of Prayer featuring a Mass Lutheran-Catholic Choir in Grand Rapids on October 29, 2017, led by our Synod Bishop Craig Satterlee and Catholic Bishop David Walkowiak. Mark your calendar and consider singing with this choir – details to come!

Chili Cook-Off: On November 5, CLC is hosting a Chili Cook-Off! Sign up to enter your chili to challenge for the silver spoon trophy! We will hold this event right after 2nd Service in the Education Wing. All you need to do is sign up and bring a crock-pot full of chili on the 5th and you could take home the trophy! We will also be holding a **Youth Service Auction** to help with your chores that you don't want to do. Come and Bid on one of the youth and they will come help you with whatever task you need!

Hey Mosaic Graduates! If you would like to attend the State Gathering you are welcome to join us! See Steve and let him know you want to be included! State Gathering is held in the last week of the year from Dec. 27th – 30th.

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Share Your CLC Event Pictures (with a brief description):

Email: pictures@clcwyoming.org

This is week three of a four week series delving into 1 Corinthians 16:2 – “On the first day of the week...each of you is to set something aside and store it up...as you may prosper...so that offerings need not be made when I come.”

Week 3

“...as you may prosper “

Let’s look at the “WHAT” or the PROPORTION of giving. When people ask about giving, they usually ask, “How much should I give?” Some people even make an issue on whether to tithe or not tithe. Or they debate whether we should tithe from our gross income or net income. The answer to them, “That depends. How much blessing do you want? Gross or net?”

There were three brothers who were professionals. They earn basically the same. But their father was puzzled. One bought a bicycle. The second bought a scooter. The third bought a car. So the father spied on them to see how they divided their earnings. The first one drew a line on the ground. Then he would pray, “Lord, I will throw the money up in the air. What falls to the left is mine. What falls to the right is yours.” The second drew a small circle on the ground. Then he would pray, “Lord, I will throw the money up in the air. What remains inside the circle is yours. What rolls outside the circle is mine.” The third held his money in his two hands. Then he would pray, “Lord, I will throw the money up in the air. Whatever you can catch is yours. What falls on the ground is mine.” Some of us plan our giving this way.

1 Corinthians 16:2. Paul wrote, “Each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income”. The words “in keeping with his income” were translated “as he may prosper”. We are to give according to God’s blessings. If He is generous, we also should be generous.

EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

Love Yankee Candles? Want to help our youth? In the month of October, we are having a fundraiser through Yankee Candle. We receive 40% of every order! There are two ways to place an order: there are catalogs and order forms on the table in the Gathering Space; or you can also order online. To order online: visit www.yankeecandlefundraising.com and enter group number 999971254 and Start Shopping. These instructions are also on a handout by the catalogs. The sale will run until October 27th. Thank you!

Sunday School Offering Information: This year our Sunday School offering will be going towards Lutheran Disaster Relief. So, please encourage your children to bring in whatever they are able to each week as offering so that we can continue to help all those who have been devastated by recent weather-related disasters. For more information on how the funds are utilized by Lutheran Disaster Relief, please visit www.ELCA.org.

Christmas Program Planning: Believe it or not, it’s time to start thinking about Christmas! We will need to start putting together our Sunday School Christmas program shortly. If you are interested in helping out with that, please send Suzanne Snider an email at suzanne@clcwyo.org and let her know.

Reminder From the Office: As we all get involved with the fall schedule, please check these announcements to be sure your meeting or event is listed. Do not assume Audrey knows what you have planned or when you meet – it is very helpful to have all group’s activities and meetings on the church calendar, so we can avoid double bookings and interruption of events. Thank you!

State Gathering Chaperone Needed: We are still in need of a Female chaperone for State Gathering in December. If you would like to know more, talk to or email Steve at Steve@clcwyo.org. This is a great way to get involved with our youth programs and it is a lot of fun!

Do You Or Someone You Know Need A Visit? Our church has a rich history of caring for its members. In our interim period as we search for a new senior pastor, the need for mutual care is more important than ever. We want to be sure no one gets overlooked, whether it might be a quick phone call or a visit (at home or in the hospital) and maybe Communion, too. It is very important that we not assume that the church “just knows” if someone needs a visit or special care. Please contact Patrick Blanchard, our Outreach Coordinator, by phone (616-460-7150) or email (pblanchard13@live.com) to let him know of any situation. All requests will remain confidential.

Gladiola School: There are two openings available to assist 1st Grade teachers at Gladiola. If you would like more information, please call Kathy Reister at 538-6585.

CLC Library is open and waiting for all ages to check out and read its books. Check out the table in the Gathering Space or take a walk down the hall to the library. We are using the “honor system” to take a book(s) home with you and return when you are finished reading.

Personal Care Pantry Update: If you would like to help PCP, these items are needed right now: fabric softener, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, Kleenex, toilet paper, dish detergent, and laundry detergent. 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 food for the dinners.

On Monday, Sept. 18, Personal Care Pantry welcomed 27 families. The following people have requested prayers:

Yunni: in the process of trying to buy a house	Reyna: for a husband
Renee: for her brother who is bi-polar and homeless	Geraldine and Nancy: for their mom who has cancer
Lynne and Santa: prayers of thanksgiving for good health	Raphaelina and Marta: to keep their families healthy
Maria V., Alicia, Lisandro, and Katherine: for their families	Josephina: for her family in the Dominican Republic
Patricia: for the Lopez Garcia family	Kelsey: for help in a difficult relationship
Maria C., Maria J., and Ingrid: to keep their families safe	Malikah: help for her to focus on life
Irma: for her mom who is sick and her uncle passed away	Marcia: for all those affected by the hurricanes
Sandra: for her and her family	
Dorothy: for God’s mercy and grace and for praying for her and her family in the last few months	
Kathleen: for her daughter, Rebba to get an apartment by David’s House and for Jordan who was abused by his mother that the judge will have the wisdom to not send him back to her.	
Diana: for God’s help and strength for her cousin’s wife’s daughter who is 16 and fighting cancer	

Altar Flower Updates: The 2018 Flower Chart is now posted on the door behind the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space. We will once again have just one arrangement signup per Sunday at a cost of \$27.00. A notice will be sent to you with an envelope marked with your name, the date you selected, and the amount noted. You may place your payment in the offering plate on Sunday, drop it off at the office, or send your payment via mail. You may purchase an arrangement to honor family or friend for a special occasion or dedicate it in memory of a loved one. On the line next to the date on the calendar please note the occasion and your name. The arrangement will be available at the Welcome Center after the service you noted on the chart.

Lutheran Disaster Response is in high gear now, with the addition of Hurricane Irma (one of the most powerful storms ever recorded in the Atlantic). You can choose to help victims from a specific hurricane or select “*where needed most*” when you make a donation. If you would like to help, please use the blue form available on the Welcome Center. You can mail a donation to Lutheran Disaster Response, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 – write “Hurricane Response” on your check memo line. You can also give by phone: 800-638-3522 or give online at www.elca.org/disaster.