

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 28, 2018

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church October 28 – November 4, 2018

Today – October 28

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:20 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
4:00 p.m. Habitat for Humanity Benefit Concert
6:00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m. CLC All Youth Halloween Party

Monday – October 29

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – October 30

10:00 a.m. Branch Deadline

Wednesday – October 31

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Thursday – November 1

7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA
7:00 p.m. Safety Training Workshop

Sunday – November 4

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Blood Drive
9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:20 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Sudanese Action Team Meeting
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
2:15 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
4:00 p.m. Installation Service for Pastor Walker

Last Week's Response:

Sunday, October 21:
9:00 a.m. – 104 11:15 a.m. - 130

YTD Offerings Needed: \$316,308
YTD Offerings Actual: \$310,262
Shortage: \$6,046

Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: November 4, 2018

Council:

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward
11:15 a.m. Ken Davison

Altar Guild: Suzanne Johnson

Bread Baker: Suzanne Johnson

Welcome Center:

9:00 a.m. Sharon Mack
11:15 a.m. Tom Wisinski, Fred Nichols

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Caden Westers
11:15 a.m. Dylan Ardy

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Diane Persky
11:15 a.m. Nancy Larson

Coffee Servers:

9:00 a.m. Pete & Jill VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Tom & Karen Owens

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. Harry Wendland, Gerry Guttormson,
Ron & Nancy Heidrich
11:15 a.m. Bill Houseknecht, Daryl & Jennifer Breymeyer,
Kristen Thornton

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Stuart Johnson, Mona Leeder, Laura Llewellyn,
Caden Westers
11:15 a.m. Cathy Chappell, Ryan Diederling, Dylan Ardy

Readers:

9:00 a.m. Dave Johnson
11:15 a.m. Darryl Larson

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Cynthia Maxted, Katelyn Conat
11:15 a.m. Cynthia Maxted, Emma Carlson

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Carlon & Gaye Snyder
11:15 a.m. Rob & Aimee Paulson Family

Counters: Brian Crane, Scott Westers

Sprouts Teachers: Heilkema Family

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Whitney VanGessel
11:15 a.m. Jon Killgore

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Bob Ortego
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 October 21

- Prayers of comfort and healing for Ray PUNCHES who had emergency surgery.
- Prayers of strength and support for the Malafa family as they grieve their stillborn son, Ian.
- Prayers of healing for Bob Harris, Bill & Toni Steele’s brother-in-law, who had successful bladder surgery.
- Prayers of healing for Paul DeBoode who in a coma and receiving comfort care.
- Prayers of healing for Kaitlin Kremers.
- Prayers of comfort for Reba Pugh who is in hospice care in Howard City.

Prayer Requests for the Week of October 14

- Prayers of healing for Kaitlin on her journey with brain cancer, and strength for her & her family.
- Prayers of strength for Amy Goetsch and healing for her father.
- Prayers of healing for Whitney VanGessel’s Uncle Ted who was diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer. Please pray for wisdom for him and his family as they figure out the next steps.
- Prayers of healing for James Champion after suffering burns all over his body.
- Pray for those feeling lost & alone, feeling hopeless and not knowing where to turn, for those wanting to end it all to see life is worth living!

Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Chris Fite, nephew of Tammy Walsh
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Hayden Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort
- DJ Ardy, CLC member, son of Doug & Angie and grandson of Fred & Marcia Nichols, who is serving in the Marines
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who is serving in the Marines
- Sergeant Kayla Champaco (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who is stationed in El Paso, Texas
- Sean & Ashley Toomey, friends of the June family (active duty)
- Jeff McCullough
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger

****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 announcements. Of course, you can let the Pastor or the church office know at any time that you would like prayers for someone.*

None can believe how powerful
prayer is, and what it is able to
affect, but those who have learned
it by experience.

Martin Luther



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God
by Brian & Ann Modzeleski in honor of their
wedding anniversary.

Be sure to stop by the **Reformation Door** in the Gathering Space this morning . . . find the answers to all the questions you’ve always wanted to ask about this special day in our church!

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Habitat for Humanity Benefit Concert: You are invited to enjoy the music of Beer City Saxes here at CLC on this afternoon, October 28, at 4:00 p.m. Donations will benefit Habitat for Humanity. Come enjoy a plethora of jazz saxophones with piano, bass and drums, featuring the music of Benny Carter and Bob Florence.

Christmas Play Practice continues this Sunday during second service. Children may come back to the education wing at the start of service from this point forward so we have as much time as possible to practice. Please remember to bring your scripts and don't forget to keep listening to those CDs and learning those songs! If you didn't receive a CD of the program Suzanne Snider has a few more to give out.

Confirmation Class will be taking place this Sunday from 6-7 p.m., then the class will be dismissed to go enjoy the Mosaic Halloween party. This has been a very fun event for the past couple of years and I encourage all the kids to come and have some fun. The party lasts from 7-8. Students are welcome to wear their costumes to Confirmation. There may even be a prize or two involved!! This is another great way to keep building some friendships with your family of faith.

Attention All CLC Kids! We will have a Halloween Party here at church tonight from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Come out for a fun night of games, challenges, and of course candy!! Come in your costume to see if yours is the best! The Mosaic crew will be hosting, so if you are a high schooler please be there at 6:00 p.m. to set up and plan on staying late to help clean up. Contact Steve Lundquist with any questions.

Help For Gladiola School: The Wyoming city school district, which includes Gladiola, has a food truck for their families. A few more hands could be used on Monday, October 29, from 4:00 to about 5:30 p.m. The truck will be at Parkview Elementary which is located at 2075 Lee SW. These extra hands will open boxes, place items on the tables and help families as they go through the line. This outreach is very similar to our own fantastic Personal Care Pantry. Adults, children and teens are welcome to volunteer. This could be a family project as children & teens would need an adult with them. A volunteer group of 5 to 7 would be great. Please contact Kathy Reister at 608-6744 if you have any questions or want to sign up!

Newsletter Deadline: If you have any events, ideas, information, pictures, notes, etc. you would like included in the November Branch, please be sure to submit it to Audrey at office@clcwyoming.org by Tuesday, October 30 at 10:00 a.m.

Safety Training Workshop: The Ushers and Council members will meet on Thursday, November 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. I will try to keep this around an hour. This meeting is to go over safety as part of the church. Please note that I am not expecting everyone to know exactly what to do, but would like someone in each group to feel that they know what should be done. I would still like everyone to know what situations could happen and how to handle them.

Blood Donors: The next Blood Drive is Sunday, November 4. Please consider donating to help save lives. The signup sheet can be found at the Welcome Center. Please email Whitney VanGessel at whitney.vangessel@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Next Sunday: On Sunday, November 4, we are not only honoring All Saints Sunday, but also our 55th Anniversary as a church! Cake will be served with your morning coffee after each service, so be sure to stop by and join the celebration!

Pastor's Installation and Potluck: Please join us on Sunday, November 4, at 4:00 p.m. for Pastor Justin's installation service. Nursery will be provided. There will be an offering collected during this service for Synod's new Seminary Debt Reduction Fund. The purpose of this fund is to support ministry within our Synod by addressing the indebtedness of Rostered Leaders. Christ Lutheran Church is among the first congregations to support this fund as we celebrate this special service with Bishop Satterlee.

Please sign up if you are coming to the potluck that will follow after the service, so that we can get a good idea of how many people will be attending. The sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space. Meat will be provided. We ask that those of you with last names beginning A thru M bring a dish to pass and those beginning with N thru Z bring a dessert. We'd like to have a count by Sunday, October 28, so sign up today! Thank you so much and we hope to see you all there.

The following people are serving during this special service:

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Share Your CLC Event Pictures:

(please include a brief description - group, date, etc.)

Email: pictures@clcwyoming.org

Installation Service Participants:

Council: Jim Ward

Altar Guild: Pat Potter

Bread Baker: Pat Potter

Welcome Center: Sharon Mack

Acolyte: Lucas Snider

Worship Assistant: Diane Persky

Ushers: Brian Crane, Gerry Guttormson, Ken Davison

Reader: Jenny Donaldson

Communion Assistants: Jim & Jane Ward, Christa & Christopher Killgore

Greeters: Carlon & Gaye Snyder

Nursery: Vicki Blubaugh, Margie & Cora Evele

Video Operator: Whitney VanGessel

Counters: Pete VanGessel, Nancy Heidrich

Sound: Mike Siebelink

Bishop's Assistant: Suzanne Johnson

Confirmation: There will be NO Confirmation Class on November 4. In place of class, we invite all confirmands and their families to join us in celebrating the installation of Pastor Justin! That service begins at 4:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner to follow. While not required, it is STRONGLY encouraged that you all attend. This is a great way for our students to see a service that doesn't happen that includes the bishop and doesn't happen all too often (hopefully it won't happen here again for quite some time!) and a wonderful way to celebrate a very important day in the life of our congregation. And if that isn't enough reason, as an extra incentive, students may turn in a bulletin with their name on it and mark if they would like us to use it as a sermon note credit or a service opportunity credit. I would love to see our entire class present for this service!

Love, Laugh, 'N Lunch: The ladies will be meeting at Tommy Brann's at 4157 S. Division Ave. (3 blocks north of 44th St.). We will gather at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6. Hope to see you there. RSVP to Dianne Vissers at diannevissers@gmail.com.

Attention Mosaic! This year we are going to the youth lock-in night at Craig's Cruisers! The event goes from 10 PM on November 9 to 4 AM on the 10th. The cost will be \$17 per person and any extra money you may want for spending. Pizza buffet, unlimited ride time, unlimited video games (non-redeemable games only) and jump time on the new trampoline park are included. You must have a waiver filled out before hand, so grab one and sign up in the Youth Corner!

Attention Christ Crew and TGIF: We will be combining for a night of service, fun, and food on Friday, November 16 at 6:00 p.m. If you are not a member of our Shutterfly sites where details are shared, please see Christa Killgore or Becky Westers for TGIF and Raechelle Huston or Melanie Jernberg for Christ Crew.

Listening Post Update: Thank you to those who signed up for one of the Listening Post time-slots showing your commitment to Christ Lutheran and its mission in ministry to its people! Please check your calendar and reserve 'your seat in the circle.' This is a time of ideas and reflections offered and can be helpful in learning more about our church family for Pastor Justin, and each other better. Please visit the table in the Gathering Space today and sign up to join us! These spots are still available:

November 28 – Wednesday – 7:00-8:15 p.m. at Todd & Melinda Sheldon's home

December 3 – Monday – 12:00-1:30 p.m. at CLC with Women of the Word Bible Study as hostess

December 9 – Sunday - 2:30-4:00 p.m. at CLC with the Transition Team hosting

If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Johnson at sz.ch23@gmail.com or call 616-717-0801.

EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

Puppet Co-Leader Needed: Due to a family emergency with one of our leaders, we are in need of another puppet leader for the months of November, February, and April. You would be co-leading with another leader. Each month has 2-3 Sunday evening practices and one Sunday morning performance. If you can help with any or all 3 of these months, or if you have questions, please contact Kimberly Boes at 616-532-4474 or Kimberly.boes@comcast.net.

Offering Envelopes for 2019 are available on a table in the Gathering Space. If you do not see a box with your name on it, please contact Jim Barritt on Monday or Thursday in the office.

Office Note: There have been quite a few inquiries recently regarding the CLC website and the absence of the online membership directory. The website is the same address (www.clcwyoming.org) but has a new look. The online directory is still there – just in a different location. The link can be found on the main page just above the grid showing office hours. However, please note that it has not been updated in a long time. It is very hard to maintain, and I am holding off until some other membership updates have been completed. So if you use the online directory but do not have success finding the information you need, please contact me at office@clcwyoming.org or call – 532-2774. I am sorry for any confusion – it is a longer process than I anticipated. Thank you for your understanding, Audrey.

Can You Help? Two young women (Isabel and Haley) are students at Calvin College who enjoy attending CLC when they can. However, the bus ride is about an hour! Is there anyone who lives near Calvin and would be willing to pick them up for worship? They have been attending the 11:15 service, but are willing to attend either. If you would like more information, please contact the office.

Your Opinion Matters: Today is the last day to let us know your thoughts on worship this summer with one service. In order to share your thoughts, please either:

1. Remove the last page from the October Branch newsletter (or take a yellow sheet), write down your thoughts, bring it on Sunday and place it in the wooden box at the Welcome Center
2. You can send an email to office@clcwyoming.org. The responses you email will be kept anonymous if you wish, just let Audrey know.

Thank you all for your input!

Personal Care Pantry: PCP is in need of the following items: laundry detergent, toothpaste, and dish detergent. You can drop these items in the labeled box behind the Welcome Center.

Chairperson Needed: The Youth and Family Committee is in need of a chairperson beginning January 1st. All that's required is scheduling and coordinating our monthly meetings. We already have an awesome committee that's up and running. Please see Steve Lundquist, Suzanne Snider, or Kim Holwerda with questions or interest. Thanks!

Gladiola School: Collecting box top coupons for Gladiola School is an ongoing project. You will find a container for these coupons on the countertop where you grab a cup of coffee and a snack on Sunday mornings. There are two types of coupons being collected, "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills and more brands and "Family Rewards" from Kellogg's. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Reister (608-6744) or reisterkathy@gmail.com.

Missing Bowl: In September, a bowl was brought in with food for a funeral. It is a large clear glass bowl that has a ridge around the top to accommodate a plastic lid. If you happened to notice you brought home the wrong bowl, please contact Bev Tillman at 667-9113.