

# WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2017

### **This Week at Christ Lutheran Church November 12-19, 2017**

#### **Today – November 12**

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship  
4:30 p.m. Puppet Practice  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation  
6:00 p.m. Mosaic  
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal

#### **Monday – November 13**

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings  
5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice  
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting  
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

#### **Tuesday – November 14**

8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

#### **Wednesday – November 15**

7:00 p.m. Worship Ensemble Practice

#### **Thursday – November 16**

7:00 p.m. Mission Support Committee Meeting

#### **Friday – November 17**

6:30 p.m. Christ Crew Event

#### **Saturday – November 18**

12:00 p.m. T.G.I.F. Activity  
2:00 p.m. Confirmation & Mentors Activity

#### **Sunday – November 19 – Puppets Perform**

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School w/ Pastor Friesen-Carper  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship  
6:00 p.m. Youth Thanksgiving Dinner  
6:00 p.m. Mosaic  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation  
6:30 p.m. Junior Choir Rehearsal

#### **Last Week's Response:**

Attendance on November 5:  
9:00 a.m. – 128    11:15 a.m. – 127

Offerings Needed YTD: \$349,069  
Offerings Received YTD: \$328,680  
Shortage: \$20,489

### **Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: November 19, 2017**

#### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Jim Ward  
11:15 a.m. Michael Phillips

#### **Altar Guild:**

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Druckrey  
11:15 a.m. Pat Potter

**Bread Bakers:** Pat Potter, Cherie Bronson

#### **Welcome Center:**

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

#### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Haylie Beers  
11:15 a.m. Nevea Bush

#### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh  
11:15 a.m. Margie Evele

#### **Coffee Servers:**

9:00 a.m. Harry & Annette Wendland  
11:15 a.m. Dan & Amy Corey

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. John & Mary DeHerrera, Dave & Lisa Harris,  
Chris Herp  
11:15 a.m. Kathy Reister, Don Groeneveld, Annie Westers,  
Serena Bush

#### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Trisha Nemeth, Teresa Ortego, Haylie Beers  
11:15 a.m. Deb Park, Sue Scharf, Nevea Bush

#### **Reader:**

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

#### **Nursery:**

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

#### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Dale & Kay Siebelink  
11:15 a.m. Dave & Deb Park

**Counters:** Jennifer Brey Meyer, Scott Westers

**Sprouts Teachers:** Snider Family, Marla Aymond

#### **Video Operator:**

9:00 a.m. Connor Naklizki  
11:15 a.m. Todd Sheldon

#### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer  
11:15 a.m. Matt June

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12*

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of November 5**

- Prayers of comfort for Fred & Marcia Nicholas & Family as they mourn the loss of Marcia's mom, Ruby Painter.
- Prayers of comfort for the Standley family as they mourn the loss of their son & brother, Brett.
- Prayers of thanks as we celebrate Charlotte Neubecker's first birthday.
- Prayers of strength & healing for Taylor Russell as she struggles from a massive stroke at age 23.
- Prayer of comfort for the VanderSlice family & friends as they mourn the loss of Chris VanderSlice who had cancer.
- Prayers of healing & strength for Gerry Schmuker who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer.
- Prayers of healing for Susie, who has a broken arm.
- Prayers of healing for Cathy Chappell's friend Ann, who has stage 4 lung cancer.
- Prayers of praise that Veronica Knappen is now cancer free!
- Prayers of comfort for Rachel Duleborn after the loss of her baby.

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of October 29**

- Prayers of comfort for the family of Loraine LeFurge. A memorial service will be held here at CLC on Saturday, Nov. 11, at 11:00 a.m. with lunch following. You may visit with Loraine's family, also here at church, on Friday, Nov. 10, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. and one hour before the service on Saturday.
- Prayers of comfort and healing for Carol Potter who has health issues.
- Prayers of comfort for the VanderSlice family and Grandville community as they mourn the passing of Chris VanderSlice after a long battle with cancer.
- Prayers of healing for John Dontama who is seriously ill in the ICU.
- Prayers of sympathy for Heather Holeworth and her family (Gaye Snyder's daughter) as they mourn the untimely loss of their husband and father.
- Prayers of healing for Beth Engstrom, a member at Trinity, who suffered a serious stroke recently.
- Prayers of comfort for Chuck & Donna who mourn the loss of their brother who died of a massive heart attack at 53.

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

- Chris Fite, nephew of Tammy Walsh
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who is serving in the Marines
- 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 & Ashley Toomey, friends of the June family (active duty)
- Jeff McCullough
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barringer
- 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](mailto: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 the Pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.*

### Upcoming Worship Leaders:

Today: Pastor Darryl Larson  
November 19: Pastor Sarah Freisen-Carper, Assistant to the Bishop  
November 26: Pastor Polly Standley



Altar Flowers are given today  
to the Glory of God by  
Terry Schlieve.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Congregational Meeting:** This morning we will be holding a Congregational Meeting between the services to vote on new Council members. The candidates are: Vicki Blubaugh, Katelyn Conat, Mike Evele (currently finishing a one-year term), Amy Gordon, John Wiechenthal, and Kim Zeitter. Information on each of them is available in the November Branch. This is a very important meeting, and quorum is required for voting, so please plan to attend! You can sign in for this meeting beginning at 10:00 AM.

**Hey Mosaic!** We have our meeting from 6-8 tonight! Come out for a night of songs, games, snacks and much more!

**Reformation 500 Closing Event:** The Rev. Brian E. Daley, SJ and Dr. Kathryn Johnson will present "50 Years of Catholic Lutheran Dialogue" on Tuesday, November 14, from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. at the Catholic Information Center, 360 Division Ave. S, Suite 2A, GR. Both were members of the Lutheran/Catholic ecumenical task force that recently published "Declaration on the Way," a profile of our agreements and a call for greater consensus and unity in faith. Daley is a professor of theology at Notre Dame University and Johnson is the Director of Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations for the ELCA. The event is free and open to the public, but registration is encouraged; call 616-459-7267.

**Christ Crew** (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade youth group) will be having our next event on Friday, November 17, 6:30-8:00 PM at church. Details are posted (and please RSVP) on our group's Shutterfly site. If you are not a member of our Shutterfly site or have questions, please contact Christa ([workn4dalord@yahoo.com](mailto:workn4dalord@yahoo.com)) or Becky ([rebeccawesters@hotmail.com](mailto:rebeccawesters@hotmail.com)).

**Donations Needed:** Christ Crew will be packing snack packs for Hand2Hand, which is an organization that provides weekend meals for local children. We are collecting donations of individually sized trail mix, popcorn packets, fruit cups, sandwich crackers, and granola bars for the snack packs. There is a box in the Gathering Space for these donations. All donations will need to be received by the afternoon of Friday, November 17. Thank you for your help!

**Confirmation Students and Mentors:** Just a reminder that we have a service outing to Samaritas on Saturday, November 18 at 2:00 p.m. Watch for an email with specific address info this week. We will be helping the residents there pack holiday baskets.

**Confirmation Class:** Next Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, Confirmation class will run at its normal time from 6:00-7:30 p.m. We will be joining Mosaic for a Thanksgiving dinner during the first half of class. Watch your emails this week for more details.

**Thanksgiving Food Baskets:** We are collecting the following food items to supply Thanksgiving dinner to area families. Delivery will be Sunday, November 19. Donated food items may be left on the table in the Gathering Space.

Cake mix	Olives (jar or can)	Crackers (box)	Pickles (jar)
Cranberry Sauce (canned)	Pie Filling	Evaporated milk	Pudding
Frosting	Pumpkin (canned)	Fruit (canned)	Stuffing (boxed)
Gravy	Vegetables (canned)	Instant potatoes	Yams (canned)
Jell-O			
Dinner rolls (donated on the last week, placed in the freezer)		Frozen pie crusts (placed in freezer)	

**Attention Mosaic!** November 19<sup>th</sup> is the night of the annual Mosaic Thanksgiving Dinner. Come out to CLC from 6-8 to eat a bunch of turkey and other Thanksgiving classics! We will need volunteers to bring sides and desserts, so let Steve know if you would like to make something for this awesome tradition.

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship:** Mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00 PM to join your church family in a special Service of Thanksgiving. The following people are scheduled to serve for this service. If you are not going to be able to fulfill your commitment, please arrange a replacement and let the office know. (Blank lines mean no one has yet committed to this duty.)

Council: \_\_\_\_\_  
Altar Guild: Elizabeth Druckrey

Reader: Curtis Druckrey  
Counters: \_\_\_\_\_

Acolyte: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bread Baker: Denise Sironen  
Worship Assistant: Patrick Blanchard  
Communion Assistants: Denise Sironen, Acolyte  
Ushers: Pete VanGessel, Gail Fleming, Jane Reardon

Sound: \_\_\_\_\_  
Video Operator: Denise Sironen  
Nursery: \_\_\_\_\_

**Christmas Store:** Be sure to return all unwrapped gifts with the tag attached and the value of the gift written on the tag no later than Sunday, November 26. All gifts will be available for the parents at the Christmas Store held on Saturday, December 2, at Grace Reformed Church. Please keep in mind that because each gift tag represents a child whose parent will be shopping for them at the event, it is very important to remember: if you take a gift tag, a gift must be returned so that we are not short our committed number of gifts. If for any reason you are unable to return your gift by the deadline, please contact Carol Peters at 616-634-8067 or [b\\_cpeters@att.net](mailto:b_cpeters@att.net) to make arrangements to have your gift picked up. Thank you!

**Advent Pajama Party:** Believe it or not, the season of Advent is right around the corner! On Friday, December 1, from 6-9 p.m., we will be hosting an Advent Pajama Party for all youth ages 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade. Younger children can join us as long as a parent stays with them. We will have fun making some crafts, eating some treats, watching some holiday favorites, and of course learning about what the season of Advent is! Please sign up in the Gathering Space if you'd like to join us. Some adult and older youth help will be needed for this event. Please see Suzanne Snider to sign up to help or donate items or see the table in the Gathering Space to see up as well.

**Advent By Candlelight:** Ladies, this year Advent By Candlelight will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 6:30. We would love to have you all join us for this great evening that includes: a special speaker, beautiful music, some Christmas carols, delicious appetizers and desserts, and Secret Sister "revealing" and drawing for next year. Sign up in the Gathering Space if you plan to attend. If you wish, you can also sign up to make an appetizer or dessert and let us know if you would like to decorate a table. Hope to see you there!

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**Share Your CLC Event Pictures** (with a brief description):  
Email: [pictures@clcwyoming.org](mailto:pictures@clcwyoming.org)

## CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

It's been a few weeks since I reported on the Call Committee. Don't think that my silence has meant that we were slacking! Over the past couple weeks, the Mission Site Profile final draft has been approved and submitted to the Mitten Synod. This means that we're officially on the market! That might sound a little more like a daring app than getting a pastoral candidate, but we'll take it. Also, the Call Committee gave up their Friday night and met as a group for the first time on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are scheduled to meet again on the 21<sup>st</sup> to start getting interview questions together. Please keep us and our church in your prayers. The Call Committee members are: Todd Huston (Chair), Brian Crane, Julie Menacher, Lance Girand, Margie Evele, Meredith Phillips, Pete VanGessel, Ron Sabin, and Suzanne Johnson. Thank you, Todd Huston

## EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

**Our Smallest Members Need You:** We are looking for more volunteers for the nursery for both services! The nursery is a fun place to serve. Nursery volunteers get to spend time with our babies and toddlers and feed them a snack. Please contact Meredith Phillips ([Meredith.m.skaggs@gmail.com](mailto:Meredith.m.skaggs@gmail.com)) if you'd like to volunteer or you can sign up in the Gathering Space.

**2018 Budget Envelopes:** Envelopes for the new year are available on a table in the Gathering Space. If you do not see your name, please contact Jim Barritt, who is in the office on Mondays and Thursdays.

**Confirmation Students:** Suzanne Snider will have registration forms for the Charge retreat available. If you can get them filled out and back to her as soon as possible, she would appreciate it.

**Sudanese Family Update:** The Sudanese family of 5 is still in need of towels (bath towels, hand towels and wash cloths), sheets (they have 2 twin, 1 full, and 2 queen size beds) and dressers/chest of drawers. Thank you so much for your generosity. You all are heaven sent! God Bless! If you have any questions or have items to donate – contact Kim Zeitter.

**A Female Chaperone Is Still Needed:** We are in need of a female chaperone for State Gathering in Lansing in December. Right now, Steve Lundquist is the only adult going and we must have one female to also accompany our youth. If you would like to know more, talk to or email Steve at [Steve@clcwyoming.org](mailto:Steve@clcwyoming.org) or see Kim Holwerda.

**Personal Care Pantry:** PCP is in need of the following items right now: toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, and dish soap. 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 also food for the dinners.

**Prayer Shawls:** Please remember that we have a cabinet of prayer shawls in the Gathering Space near the Welcome Center. These are yours for the taking to give to someone to whom it might bring comfort. Help this ministry by giving a shawl to someone who is hurting. Thanks! Marilyn Burgard

**Great News Yankee Candle Lovers!** The fundraiser is done, but you can continue to order online through the end of the year and 40% will go to our youth. Go to [yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://yankeecandlefundraising.com) and enter our CLC number: 999971254.

**Poinsettias – Flowers of the Holy Night:** Have you heard the legend of how a peasant girl from Mexico, so poor she could not afford a proper gift to give baby Jesus at her church's Christmas Eve service, pulled weeds and fashioned a bouquet to lay by the nativity that burst into brilliant red flowers? How wonderful that we continue this festive celebration of the Nativity of our Lord by adorning our church with beautiful red poinsettia plants!

The Altar Guild will be purchasing a selection from *Ludema's Floral & Garden* in various sizes for our Christmas creation. We suggest that you make a donation to offset the cost of the arrangement. Envelopes can be found in the pew racks. The last date to participate is Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Make your contribution in memory of a loved one, or to honor someone, noting the information on the envelope so it can be listed in the bulletin. We encourage you to take plant(s) after the 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service, or by Sunday, December 31 for your continued holiday enjoyment.