

# WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 16, 2018

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### This Week at Christ Lutheran Church December 16-23, 2018

#### Today – December 16

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Christmas Cookie Walk  
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  
**5:30 p.m. Christmas Program**

#### Monday – December 17

5:00 p.m. Personal Care Pantry  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 p.m. Sisters Bible Study  
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

#### Wednesday – December 19

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Christmas Choir Practice  
7:00 p.m. Transition Team Meeting

#### Thursday – December 20

10:00 a.m. Baking @ Ronald McDonald House  
7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA

#### Saturday – December 22

2:30 p.m. Private Event - VanGessel

#### Sunday – December 23

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  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship



### Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: December 23, 2018

#### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Linda Montgomery  
11:15 a.m. Kim Zeitter

#### **Altar Guild:**

9:00 a.m. Teresa Ortego  
11:15 a.m. Jean Wisinski

**Bread Baker:** Bonnie Guttormson

#### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Dave Harris  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Clairia Vandenberg  
11:15 a.m. Tyler Risner

#### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Brian Crane  
11:15 a.m. Margie Evele

#### **Coffee Servers:**

9:00 a.m. Pete & Jill VanGessel  
11:15 a.m. Cathy Chappell, Nora Mhamedi

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. Harry Wendland, Gerry Guttormson,  
Ron & Nancy Heidrich  
11:15 a.m. Kathy Reister, Don Groeneveld, Serena Bush, Ron Sabin

#### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Jane Ward, Clairia Vandenberg  
11:15 a.m. Linda Montgomery, Tyler Risner

#### **Readers:**

9:00 a.m. Laura Llewellyn  
11:15 a.m. Tim Zeitter

#### **Nursery:**

9:00 a.m. Cynthia Maxted, Elizabeth Druckrey  
11:15 a.m. Cynthia Maxted, Allyson Diaz

#### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Jim & Lynn Barritt  
11:15 a.m. Gerry Stockwell, Kate Phillips

**Counters:** Scott Westers, Mary Whitehead

**Sprouts Teachers:** No Sprouts Today

#### **Video Operator:**

9:00 a.m. Jon Killgore  
11:15 a.m. Abby Corey

#### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Alan Windsor  
11:15 a.m. Jacob Koehler

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

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

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of December 9**

- Pray for safe travel for Krystal Owens, Tom & Karen Owens' granddaughter, who is coming home after 16 months in the missionary field.
- Prayers of healing for Rylee Walsh who was hospitalized this weekend with the stomach flu.
- Pray for a safe and successful surgery for Lysa S.
- Prayers of strength for Deb Farrant during chemo treatments.
- Pray for Rene who received a diagnosis of cancer this week.
- Prayers of healing for Pat and Luann Knappen, who are both struggling with cancer.
- Pray for Dorothy, dear friend of Muriel Andrews, who was diagnosed with bone cancer.
- Pray for successful surgery and healing for Johnnie and his brother – Johnnie is giving his brother a kidney.
- Prayers of safety for Joey N. who lives up north and is going to see his grandparents.
- Pray for Tim & Brooke LaGro, friends of Renee & Steve Green – Tim will be having open heart surgery on Dec. 19 at U of M, pray for a successful operation and recuperation.
- Prayers of restoration for the health of Sallie Gates who is recuperating after another hospitalization.
- Prayers of healing for Mark Zinn as he recuperates from surgery for cancer.
- Prayers of healing for Christy who will have surgery on Dec. 12 and has infertility questions.
- Pray for Deb and Heather – that their cancer be gone.
- Prayers of recovery for Paige and Doug who are recovering from cancer surgery.
- Prayers of peace and comfort for Joyce, Stan & Steve Windhorn on the passing of Pastor Eldor Windhorn this past week and their son, Doug, last month.
- Pray for the peace that was negotiated between Eritrea and Ethiopia, ending a 30-year struggle.

## **Prayer Requests for the Week of December 2**

- Prayers of strength and healing for Tom DeGennaro. Tom has been moved to Mary Free Bed.
- Prayers of thanksgiving with Frank & Melissa Trendt whose first child is due in July – may this pregnancy be safe and joyful!
- Prayers for continued healing for James who is recovering from burns and a minor heart attack.
- Prayers of healing for Christy who will have surgery on Dec. 12 and has infertility questions.
- Pray for successful heart valve replacement surgery for Jerry Sauve, former CLC member, next Tuesday.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for successful knee surgery for Charlotte Anton and healing blessings for her recovery.

## **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 Barringer

*\*\*\*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](mailto: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.*

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

Sunday, December 9:  
9:00 a.m. – 131      11:15 a.m. – 129  
  
YTD Offerings Needed: \$367,800  
YTD Offerings Actual: \$368,250  
Shortage: \$450



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God  
by the Snider Family in memory of  
Julianna Tihanyi, Suzanne's mom.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Christmas Cookie Walk:** Join us between services today, December 16, for our annual Christmas Cookie Walk. You may purchase cookies for \$4.00/lb. The proceeds will benefit the Personal Care Pantry. If you have any questions, please Tammy Davison at 616-558-8883.

**Sunday School:** This is our last week of Sunday School for a couple of weeks! We will not meet on Dec. 23 or 30, but will meet up again on January 6 as we do an all-youth activity during Sunday School time. Regular Sunday School starts back up again on January 13. Speaking of which, I am still in need of a couple teachers to help out with teaching the rotational Sunday School lesson of "Fruits of the Spirit." If you are interested in helping out, please see Suzanne Snider ASAP to get lesson information.

**Christmas Program Tonight!!** Please join us as we celebrate amazing music, talent, and the reason for the season in a fun way at our special service this Sunday beginning at 5:30 p.m. We'll be celebrating the anniversary of "Silent Night" in lots of ways, so please join us in this congregational celebration! Snacks will be offered after. We hope to see you all there!

**Make A Joyful Noise!** All who love to sing are invited to join a special Christmas Choir of adults and youth to prepare anthems for the 10:00 Christmas Eve Service. Our last rehearsal will be held on December 19, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Sara Miller, Minister of Music, at [sara@clcwyoing.org](mailto:sara@clcwyoing.org).

**Christmas Eve Worship:** We will be celebrating the newborn King with our services on Monday, December 24. Worship services will be at 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. The following people are schedule to assist in worship:

<u>Duty:</u>	<u>5:00 PM:</u>	<u>7:00 PM:</u>	<u>10:00 PM:</u>
Council Person	_____	Linda Montgomery	_____
Altar Guild	Pat Potter	Teresa Ortego	Elizabeth Druckrey
Bread Baker	Pat Potter	Suzanne Johnson	Cherie Bronson
Welcome Center	Barb McMullin	Carol Miller	_____
Acolyte	Christopher Killgore	Lucas Snider	Tyler Risner
Worship Assistant	Patrick Blanchard	Diane Persky	Patrick Blanchard
Ushers	Pete VanGessel	John & Mary DeHerrera	Bill Houseknecht
	Dianne Vissers	Brian Crane	Daryl & Jennifer Brey Meyer
	Curt Johnson		Kristen Thornton
Communion Assistant	Christa Killgore	Sue Scharf	Deb Park
	Christopher Killgore	Lucas Snider	Tyler Risner
Reader	Christopher Killgore	Wally Snider	Gerry Stockwell
Nursery	Deb Park	Meredith Phillips	
Greeters	Huston Family	Kathryn Phillips, Pat Potter	Dave & Deb Park
Video	Whitney VanGessel	Todd Huston	Curtis Druckrey
Sound	Matt June	Mike Siebelink	_____

**Branch Deadline:** All submissions for the January Branch are due by Friday, December 28 at 10:00 AM. Either drop items off to the office or email to Audrey at [office@clcwyoing.org](mailto:office@clcwyoing.org). Please note that it is a Friday – this is different than usual because of the holidays. What a great chance to show the CLC Family all the great things that happened around here during Advent!

**Confirmation Students:** If you will be attending the Charge retreat at Great Wolf Lodge from March 24-26, 2019, Suzanne MUST know by January 6. There are registration forms which need to be completed and turned in by that date. No money is due at this time. Cost is estimated to be between \$80-\$100 per student and there is financial assistance available.

**Confirmands and Mentors:** Our annual youth/mentor bowling event is happening on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. at Spectrum Lanes in Wyoming. Cost is \$10 per child, \$15 per adult and includes: 2 hours of bowling, shoes, pizza and pop. Cash payments will need to be made by January 6<sup>th</sup> so we can give an accurate count to the bowling alley. Sign up in the Gathering Space and come out to be part of the bowling fun!

**Mark Your Calendars, Card Sharks!** Body & Soul Sisters is hosting the annual euchre tournament on Friday, January 18, 2019 at Jane Reardon's home (close to church).

- Socializing is from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; cards are from 7:30 (sharp)-9:30/10:00 p.m. (break at 8:30).
- All adults are welcome to join us for this event.
- Buy-in to play is \$5 per person with a Personal Care Pantry item or \$10 per person without one. All proceeds will go to the Personal Care Pantry.
- Please BYOB and bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Whether you don't know how to play well, you're a card shark, or you don't have a partner, you are welcome to join us! Please RSVP by Jan. 13 on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space or via email at [bodyandsoulsisters@gmail.com](mailto:bodyandsoulsisters@gmail.com). Contact Suzanne Gut (616-560-0361), Ann Modzeleski (616-690-4619), or Jane Reardon (616-717-0429) or email with any questions. An email with Jane's address will go out prior to the event. If you can bring a card table and chairs, please indicate that on the sign-up sheet. Spread the word and spread the Word!

**Women's Retreat:** Our retreat is set for Saturday March 16 and Sunday March 17. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, we'd love to have you join us! Please let Suzanne Snider know so we can get you in the loop for our first planning meeting of the new year taking place in January (exact date TBD). It's a wonderful way to meet some amazing women of our congregation of all ages and we would love to have you be a part of it!

## EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

**Attention Puppeteers!** We will not have puppet practices in December. We will resume practice on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Have a Merry Christmas!

**Did You Know?** We are currently accepting contributions towards staff Christmas gifts. If you would like to contribute money, please mark "Staff" on a pew envelope and either place it in the offering or give to the Council person on duty. Thanks, Jim Ward

**End of Year Giving** - As you plan to wrap up your giving/contributions for the year, please note that Sunday, December 30 will be the last day to put offerings for 2018 in the offering plate and have them recorded for this year.

**Personal Care Pantry:** We served 26 families on Monday evening. We gave all of the children candy canes and were able to give all of the families Christmas wrapping paper, gloves, mittens, and hats thanks to a donation from Two Dutch Hens (the dollar store in Byron Center). We are so blessed! The following families have requested prayers:

Phu: God bless America

Gail: for her family, her mother passed away last week

Mark: wisdom for world leaders, especially our president

Guadalupe: for her family and for work

Anita and Fermin: for good health

Terri: for her daughter and her family

Martha: for her health and protection

Hedwig: for her family's financial problems

Margarita: for her family and her arm pain

Magdalena: for her father

Jacqueline: her aunt passed away last week

Geraldine and Nancy: for their mom

Herlinda, Rosalie, Nancy, Delmida, Olpha, Yadira, Rosa, Ima, and Prudencia: for their families

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.

**Gladiola School:** An ongoing project for Gladiola School is collecting box tops. There are two types of coupons we are collecting: "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills and more brands and "Family Rewards" from Kellogg's. You will find a container for these coupons on the countertops where you grab a cup of coffee and a snack on Sunday mornings.

**Do You Want to Help Feed the Hungry?** CLC is looking to find someone who would be interested in organizing our participation in the annual Grand Rapids Hunger Walk next May. Other opportunities to help gather food from area farmers also an option. Please contact Kim Zeitter at 826-6616 if you would like to be that person.

**Winter Cancellation Policy:** Now that we are coming on the cold and wintery season, weather may dictate conditions which could require a closure, cancelling services or activities. If the weather seems fierce, check WXMI (Fox 17) or WOOD TV 8 for a notice of closing, since they are the stations we have authorized for such notices. Hopefully it something we won't have to do this winter, but if conditions warrant, this becomes the means to communicate when necessary.

Please remember: since conditions vary in different areas, each member should determine if changing conditions, icy roads or the prospect of worsening conditions require staying home rather than risking a trip to church. Your safety is of utmost importance! Jim Ward, Council President

**Could You Let the Office Know If You Are a Thrivent Member?** Christ Lutheran could qualify for \$250 for our activities by communicating about the Thrivent members who will participate and want to support community service activities. Since we have the Personal Care Pantry and participate in Habitat for Humanity and Degage', the activities could qualify for their funding for the programs. Questions? Contact Jim Ward at 532-7327 for details.

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