

# WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 27, 2015

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

### This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

December 27 – January 3, 2016

#### Today – December 27

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
12:00 p.m. Youth leave for State Gathering  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship Service

#### Monday – December 28

6:30 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice  
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

#### Tuesday – December 29

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

#### Wednesday – December 30

7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Practice

#### Thursday – December 31

Office Closed

#### Friday – January 1



#### Saturday – January 2

9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry

#### Sunday – January 3

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
6:00 p.m. Youth Meal  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation  
6:30 p.m. Jr. Choir Practice  
6:30 p.m. Mosaic

### Serving Our Congregation

Sunday, January 3, 2016

#### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Andy VanGessel  
11:15 a.m. Todd Huston

**Altar Guild:** Suzanne Johnson

#### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Donna Garen  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Sydney Hudson  
11:15 a.m. Haley Steele

#### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Coffee Servers:**

9:00 a.m. Dave & Lisa Harris  
11:15 a.m. Keith & Jackie Koehler

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. Dave, Lisa, Ben & Matt Harris  
11:15 a.m. Stu Healey, Ken & Tammy Davison, Rich Neubecker

#### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Pat Potter, Jane Reardon, Ruth Salmon  
11:15 a.m. Daryl & Jennifer Breymeyer, Cathy Chappell

#### **Reader:**

9:00 a.m. Diane Persky  
11:15 a.m. Aimee Paulson

#### **Nursery:**

9:00 a.m. Megan Steele  
11:15 a.m. Megan Steele, Julie Gillich

#### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Howard & Muriel Andrews  
11:15 a.m. Margaret Bardwell, Cathy Chappell

**Counters:** Letty Burgstahler, Jeff Emrich

**Sprouts Teachers:** Raechelle Huston

#### **Video Operator:**

9:00 a.m. Michael VanderMeer  
11:15 a.m. Hannah Lundquist

#### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Dave Byler  
11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

#### **Last Week's Response: December 20, 2015**

Attendance:

9:00 a.m. – 147      11:15 a.m. – 127

Offerings to Date: \$379,798

Offerings Needed: \$387,403

*\*\*Reminder: All contributions for 2015 must be received by the office no later than 12/30/15 to receive credit for 2015.*

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

## **Prayer Requests from December 20**

- † Pray for families who are not able to be together at Christmas time, especially those who have family away in the military.
- † Pray for strength and health for Jade Mueller/Boelens who is very tiny and fighting to live in the NICU at Butterworth.
- † Pray for Billy Schneider who is struggling with depression after his son was murdered. Depression is very hard to deal with during this season of joy.
- † Prayers of comfort for Zina Fick who is mourning the loss of two family members in the past week.
- † Prayers for comfort and safe travel for Stu & Suzanne Johnson who traveled to attend a funeral for Stu's cousin.
- † Prayers of thanks for the donors, drivers, organizers, and receivers of our Christmas food baskets. Thank you God for using us.
- † Prayers of healing and recovery for Bill Gleason.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving for successful surgery for Carrienne Evele.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving for a healthy grandson for the Scharf family.
- † Pray for those who don't have a place to call home this holiday season and that they are able to be welcomed into one.
- † Pray for God's blessings, health and healing for Evelyn Overholt who has upcoming eye and heart doctor appointments.
- † Pray for those facing surgery and those recovering from surgery.
- † Prayers of healing for Linda DeHaan who has pneumonia and back pain.
- † Prayers of healing for Joy & Rog Johnson's son-in-law, David Morrison, who has brain disease.
- † Prayers for healing for Katherine Bekker, Hans & Dorothy Fetting's daughter, who had surgery on Dec. 22 in Ann Arbor.
- † Prayers for healing for Darrin Mormon who has a brain aneurism and is at U of M Hospital.
- † Prayers of healing and comfort for Allison and Ryan who experienced a miscarriage this week.
- † Prayers of strength for Darcy Williamson and Tom Bulgarella.
- † Prayers of comfort and help for a pregnant teen who is looking for a place to live.

## **Prayer Requests from December 13**

- † Prayers of safety for Andrew and Jessica Groeneveld who are traveling home for Christmas.
- † Pray that the T.J. White family will be able to emigrate to the U.S. from the Philippines.
- † Prayers of strength and healing for Tom Bulgarella, who is undergoing cancer treatments.
- † Prayers of healing for Shannon and Travis who are both dealing with health issues.
- † Pray for continued healing for Julie Bahr's arm.
- † Pray that Suzanne can find a way to finance the medical procedures she needs.
- † Prayers of healing for Mary Knappen after her recent heart surgery.
- † Prayers of healing for Darcy Williamson, who is recovering from paralysis.
- † Prayers of healing for someone who had surgery on December 15.
- † Prayers of recovery and health for Jen and Jade Mueller/Boelens. Jade is in the NICU, and was 1 lb. 5 oz. at her birth.
- † Prayers of thanksgiving for our children, grandchildren, and friends.
- † Prayers of healing for Taylor who has leukemia and Jan who starts chemo this week.
- † Pray that Lisa's treatment helps get her back on her feet.
- † Prayers of healing for Jamie Noorman who has an auto-immune disease and is getting worse.
- † Prayers of healing for Joe Schram who will be having a 2<sup>nd</sup> brain surgery for a recurrent tumor.

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

- Andrew Groeneveld
- Jeff McCullough
- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Matt Lashbrook, grandson of Nancy Scudder
- Casey Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort and Jack and Shirley Reminga
- Kayla Pohl, granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink, serving in South Korea
- Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen
- Adam Lundquist
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger



Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 worship service today to the Glory of God by Deanna Bronson, in memory of her husband Jim.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service today to the Glory of God by Roger & Joan Nichols, in honor of their 58<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

*The Flower Charts for 2016 can be found behind the Welcome Center on the wall to the left of the window.  
Sign up today for the date that is special to you!*



**The State Gathering Youth** are traveling to Lansing, MI, today! They will meet at church on Sunday at 11:30 a.m. and leave around noon. They will be returning to church on Wednesday, December 30 around 1:00/1:30 p.m. Please feel free to send them off or greet them when they return and pray for safe travel and a wonderful, God-filled experience.

**From the Office:** The office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, December 31 and January 1. The deadline for bulletin announcements is Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. on December 30. Please make note of this to be sure your communications get included.

**Start the New Year Off with Lunch!** Love, Laugh 'n Lunch will gather on Tuesday, January 5, at Uccello's Ristorante, 3940 Rivertown Parkway. If you would like to join us, RSVP by Tuesday, December 29, to Pastor Karen (616-532-2774 or [Karen@clcwyoing.org](mailto:Karen@clcwyoing.org)) or to Marilyn Miheve (616-538-3384 or [mimiheve@gmail.com](mailto:mimiheve@gmail.com)). Hope you can join us!

**Body & Soul Sisters!** We will be starting off the new year with spinning at Shape Your Life on Tuesday, Jan 5, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. (1290 – 36<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Wyoming)! If you've never been, your spin is free. If you are returning to the studio, it is \$10. Please RSVP to Jane Reardon no later than Jan. 2 at 9:00 a.m. Bikes fill up fast after New Years, so save your spot now!

**Let's Learn About Islam . . .** Today's world is full of news about the Middle East, extremism and groups like ISIS and Al-Qaeda. In our diverse American culture we have many religions, with Islam getting a lot of attention, discussion and direct confrontation in the world and in its visible presence here in Michigan.

Join us for a five-week series on Thursday nights from 7 to 8 p.m., beginning Thursday, January 7, or on Sunday mornings from 10:15-11:00 a.m., beginning Sunday, January 10, as we view the DVD series, *Discover Islam*. This series will present some authentic American Muslim voices sharing their vision for Islam and their hopes for friendship and understanding with other religions. Led by Jim Ward, the class will use an accompanying ELCA study guide that has been prepared for the specific purpose of encouraging understanding of the DVDs.

Sign up in the Gathering Space to join us either on Thursday nights or Sunday mornings, as we learn about what Islam is and how it impacts us as Christians.

**Body & Soul Sisters and Bro Buddies!** We will be hosting our first co-ed event on Thursday, January 28 (note the week change). We will be hosting a Euchre Tournament at Jane Reardon's home (5405 Naples Cedar Dr., Wyoming). Buy in to play is \$5 per person. All money raised will be given to the Personal Care Pantry meal fund. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share and your own beverages. Significant others are welcome; adults only please. Please RSVP at [bodyandsoulsisters@gmail.com](mailto:bodyandsoulsisters@gmail.com) by Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016.

**Worship Assistant Opportunity:** We are in the process of expanding our team of Worship Assistants. If you feel that your spiritual gifts might be leading you in this direction, please contact Patrick Blanchard at 460-7150.

**Personal Care Pantry:** Items needed this week: toilet paper (double roll) and laundry detergent. Cash donations are also a blessing, as they can be used to purchase products and food for the dinners.

**Games for Gladiola School:** The Evangelism Committee hopes to plan a "Board Game Night" this spring at Gladiola School. Many of the students at Gladiola do not have access to board games and we are hoping to be able to give the families a chance to learn how to play these games together. We are looking for donations of new and gently used board/card games. The games should be appropriate for pre-school and elementary age children. There will be a box in the Gathering Space to collect these. Please keep this ministry in mind as you clean out your children's closets to make room for new Christmas presents and as you see any good Christmas or after-Christmas sales. We will be collecting until March. Thank you once again for your support of this ministry.

**Memorial Donations:** If you would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Marilyn Burgard's brother, Lee, please do so by December 30, 2015. Memorial gifts (to be used toward the purchase of hand bells) may be made by marking a pew envelope "Lee Burgard Memorial." Checks are payable to Christ Lutheran.



**One more week of Vacation:** Sunday School, Confirmation, and Youth Dinners start up again on January 3<sup>rd</sup>!!! PCP donations for Sunday School that week will be TOOTHBRUSHES! Have a safe, fun, and hopefully very college football oriented celebratory New Year holiday!

**Mosaic, Mark Your Calendars!** Mosaic will be going to Winter Jam at Van Andel Arena. The cost is \$10 at the door. Meet at church at 3:00 p.m. to car pool. Sign up at the youth table if you are interested in going!

**Christ Crew** is going ice skating at Rosa Park Circle on January 10<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 p.m. Please sign up at the youth table or email Alan at [abwindsors@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abwindsors@sbcglobal.net).

**Puppet Team:** Practice will start up again for the month of January. The schedule is shifting just a bit for this month. Practices will be Jan. 10, 17, and 24 from 4:30-6:00 PM. We will have ONE performance on January 31<sup>st</sup>, the day of the annual meeting at the combined service at 10:00 AM. So you get one extra week of vacation! If you are available for the month of January, please come out and join us!

**Confirmation Students and Mentors:** On Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be going to Gilda's Club. (If I told you the 17<sup>th</sup> earlier, I was wrong!! Sorry!) We will meet at Gilda's at 4:45 p.m. Please watch your email for more details in the new year!

**Confirmation Youth:**

- 1) We are looking for more kids to sign up and help out with the Personal Care Pantry on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, from 4:45-6:30 p.m. Check your schedules and look for the sign-up sheet next week at Confirmation class!
- 2) We will be attending "Youth Quake" retreat March 4-6, 2016. Look for more details next week!

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