

# Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for December 28, 2014

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

## **This Week at Christ Lutheran Church** **December 28, 2014 – January 4, 2015**

### **Today**

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship  
2:00 p.m. Private Gathering (Johnson) – choir or youth room  
2:30 p.m. Family Gathering (VanGessel) – ed wing, kitchen

### **Monday**

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

### **Tuesday**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

### **Thursday**



### **Friday**

Church Office will be closed.

### **Saturday**

9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry

### **Sunday**

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
10:30 a.m. Communion Assistant/Readers Training  
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 p.m. Sudanese Worship

### **Last Week's Response** **December 21, 2014**

#### *Attendance*

1<sup>st</sup> Service: 153    2<sup>nd</sup> Service: 201

#### *Budget Information*

December offerings to date: \$29,590  
Amount needed per month: \$35,250

## **Serving Our Congregation** **Sunday, January 4, 2015**

### **Council:**

9:00 a.m. Ray Panches  
11:15 a.m. Tammy Davison

**Altar Guild:** Suzanne Johnson

### **Welcome Center:**

9:00 a.m. Dave Harris  
11:15 a.m. Carrienne Evele

### **Acolyte:**

9:00 a.m. Sydney Hudson  
11:15 a.m. Chloe Goetsch

### **Worship Assistant:**

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh  
11:15 a.m. Patrick Blanchard

### **Coffee:**

9:00 a.m. Judy Shepard & Kay Siebelink  
11:15 a.m. Rich & Bobbie Neubecker

### **Ushers:**

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

### **Communion Assistants:**

9:00 a.m. Nikki Patterson, Pat Potter, Ruth Salmon,  
Tim Tierney  
11:15 a.m. Linda Montgomery, Deb Park, Sue Scharf

### **Reader:**

9:00 a.m. Mary Knappen  
11:15 a.m. Cindy June

**Nursery:** Letty Burgstahler

### **Greeters:**

9:00 a.m. Len & Judy Johnson  
11:15 a.m. Gerry Stockwell & Kristen Thornton

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

**Sprouts Teacher:** Becky Westers

**Video Operator:** Hannah Lundquist

### **Sound Board:**

9:00 a.m. Dave Byler  
11:15 a.m. Dave Westover

# WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

## Prayer Requests from December 21

- † Prayers for continued healing for Carter Wiseman, who had surgery recently.
- † Prayers of comfort for all those who are grieving the deaths of loved ones – especially during the holidays.
- † Pray for peace in our cities and protection for all (policemen and civilians) as they grow in understanding and love for each other.
- † Prayers of safety for those who are traveling.
- † Prayers for healing and good results for Virginia Settler, Bobbie Neubecker's grandma, who had a recent surgery and cancer diagnosis.
- † Pray for successful back surgery for Laura Brouwers.
- † Pray for strength and health for Emma Lillard's grandma.
- † Pray for healing and strength for Paula Metzner's who is fighting liver cancer.
- † Prayers of comfort for Carolyn, who recently lost her mother.
- † Prayers of healing for Dallas Duby (Ryan & Riley's mom & grandma) who is receiving chemotherapy for cancer of the lymph nodes.
- † Pray for God's peace and healing for a friend who went to the ER recently.
- † Prayers of safety for Christ Lutheran members who are leaving the cold north for warmer places.
- † Pray for health and good test results for Levi, a man with 2 young children who is having health issues and pain.
- † Pray for Dawn, who is dealing with cancer of the appendix.
- † Pray for Marianne Potts who is dealing with side effects from chemo/radiation.
- † Pray for travel mercies for Robert & Mildred Christie, who are traveling this holiday season to meet family.
- † Prayers of healing for Gary Lake who had back surgery.
- † Prayers of praise for the healing and return to school of Isaac Burns.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Jackie VerHeulen, who passed away suddenly last Saturday.
- † Pray for Michael Chenier who is fighting brain cancer.
- † Pray for a healthy pregnancy and safety for Baby Knappen and mom & dad, Veronica & Josh Knappen.
- † Pray for all those who struggle with mental illness and those who care for them.
- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Mary Ann Koehler who passed away last Saturday.
- † Prayers of strength and health for Kateri Flynn's grandma who is in Florida.

## Prayer Requests from December 14

- † Pray for Sheri Jewell who was recently diagnosed with Lymphoma.
- † Prayers of healing for Zina Fick who has a clot on her right eye and needs to find the right treatment.
- † Prayers of healing for Mary Brush who is recovering from Septicemia.
- † Prayers for healing and strength for Patryk Akhurst who just had his 2<sup>nd</sup> hip surgery.
- † Prayers for strength and healing for Michelle Levi as she receives treatment for lymphoma.

## Pray for Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Groeneveld  
Samantha Tierney  
Cmdr. Roger Bouma, friend of Larry and Mary Knappen  
Jesse Cunningham, grandson of Howard & Muriel Andrews  
Brandon Westbrook and Cody Westbrook, grandsons of David Barrenger  
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.

*\*\*\*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 bulletin. Of course, you can let Pastor or the church office know at any time that you wish prayers for someone.*



Altar Flowers are given at the 9:00 worship service to the glory of God by Howard & Muriel Andrews, in honor of their daughter Jennie's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Altar Flowers are given at the 11:15 worship service to the glory of God by Roger & Joan Nichols in honor of their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



**All Communion Assistants and Readers:** Please join us in the sanctuary on Sunday, January 4, at 10:30 a.m. We will provide a brief review of your duties and answer any questions.

**Office Notes:**

- ✓ The deadline for bulletin announcements this week is **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 30.**
- ✓ Office hours this week are Tuesday, December 30, 9:00 – 3:00, and Wednesday, December 31, 9:00 – 3:00.
- ✓ The office will be closed on January 2, 2015.
- ✓ Please email information to Audrey at [office@clcwyoming.org](mailto:office@clcwyoming.org) or leave it on her desk if she isn't there.
- ✓ The deadline for the January Branch is January 4, 2015, to be published for Sunday, January 11.

**Bro Buddies** is a New Men's Ministry! Please join us for our kick-off event on Saturday, January 24, at Noon. We will meet for lunch at Pete's Grill in Byron Center. The address is 2588 – 84<sup>th</sup> Street, Byron Center, MI 49315. We already have two outreach events planned and will be talking about them at this lunch. We hope to see you there. For more information please contact Tom Goetsch at 616-813-6315 or Tom Powell II at 616-299-1535.

**Service Outreach:** The new Men's Ministry Bro Buddies is collecting white cotton crew socks to give away to those in need at Degage. We have a green box behind the welcome center to collect your sock donations. We will be collecting them until Sunday, February 15. Thank you to all who have donated already – we have a great start!

**Your Help is Needed:** We have a new Sudanese refugee family that has just arrived. The family is a mother, two sons ages 13 and 4, and a daughter age 6. Their most needed items are a queen size bed, queen size mattress set, full size mattress set and all bedding items. Other household items will also be needed in the near future. Please contact Kim Zeitter at 616-826-6616 if you can provide for any of these needs. Thank you and God bless!

**Calling All Paracord Bracelet Makers:** Do you know how to make Paracord Survival Bracelets? Would you be able to teach others to make them? If so, please let Intern Pastor Karen know of your hidden talent! ([Karen@clcwyoming.org](mailto:Karen@clcwyoming.org) or 532-2774). Thank you.

**Altar Guild Training Session:** Saturday, January 10, 2015, 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary – We invite you to attend a time of instruction in Altar Guild procedures. All are welcome... ladies, men, couples, moms and daughters, members of the Sudanese congregation, those that have recently joined or those just curious about the function of the guild but not really ready to make a commitment to join! We especially would like to encourage members of the confirmation classes that would be willing to serve as a helper to duty members! You will be trained on how to prepare the altar for Communion, placement of the Communion wine carafe and bread before the service, learn how to fill the altar and Paschal candles, tidy up the pew racks, and of course, clean-up details. If you are not able to attend the January session but still desire instruction, please contact Suzanne Johnson at 616-277-4039 and we can set a date convenient for you, or a time to 'shadow' a current guild duty member.

**Mark Your Calendars:** Two important dates will be coming up in January. On **January 18** the Finance Committee will hold an **informational meeting** between the services. This is your chance to ask questions about the proposed budget and any financial details you have questions about. **Sunday, January 25, is Christ Lutheran's Annual Meeting.** There will be one worship service at 10:00 a.m. After worship the Annual Meeting will be held, with a potluck lunch afterward. All CLC members are encouraged to attend and participate. More details will follow in January.

**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 also some of the food for the dinners.



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**Mosaic.** No Mosaic on December 28.

**Mosaic:** January 4 is Popcorn & Pajama Movie Night. Join us from 6-8 p.m. for lots of fun!

**Save Your Cans:** The High School Youth are collecting pop cans and pop tops, to help fund the 2015 National Gathering trip. All donations can be placed in the bin located next to the youth table in the Narthex.

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## **Holiday Food Baskets: Work of Faith + Labor of Love = Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Baskets**

1985 – 2014 An impressive 29 years CLC members have successfully shared with those who have asked. This year you have supplied 61 different families (122 adults and 155 children) with a great Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner. All of this would not have been possible without the help of many, many individuals. A special thank you to the Spanish interpreter, to those who made monetary and/or food donations, to those who supplied boxes, to those who helped assemble and pack, and to those who spent time delivering the food baskets. In addition a special thank you to South Kent Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for their generous financial assistance of \$500.

To all, thank you for your support of this ministry.



Wow! What a lot of food!!! This food became a huge blessing to 41 families!

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