

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 29, 2018

This Week at Christ Lutheran Church April 29 – May 6, 2018

Today – April 29 – Jr. Choir Musical

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Puppet Practice
10:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
12:30 p.m. New Member's Class
1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship
4:00 p.m. Confirmation w/ Mentors
6:00 p.m. Mosaic Service Project @ Samaritas

Monday – April 30

3:00 p.m. New Beginnings Group
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

Tuesday – May 1

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m. Branch Deadline

Wednesday – May 2

7:00 p.m. Worship Ensemble Practice

Thursday – May 3

7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA

Friday – May 4

Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday – May 5

Wedding – Didion/Walker

Sunday – May 6 – Puppets Perform

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Blood Drive
9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
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. Mosaic
6:30 p.m. Confirmation – only 2nd year kids w/ parents

Last Week's Response:

Sunday, April 22:
9:00 a.m. – 103 11:15 a.m. – 125

Offerings needed: \$125,735
Offerings actual: \$112,814
Shortage: \$12,921

Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: May 6, 2018

Council:

9:00 a.m. Linda Montgomery
11:15 a.m. Cindy June

Altar Guild:

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

Bread Baker: Georgia Cutler

Welcome Center:

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

Acolyte:

9:00 a.m. Haylie Beers
11:15 a.m. Marla Aymond

Worship Assistant:

9:00 a.m. Richard Jaeschke
11:15 a.m. Don Groeneveld

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. Kathy Reister, Don Groeneveld, Serena Bush,
Ron Sabin

Communion Assistants:

9:00 a.m. Linda McCullough, Haylie Beers
11:15 a.m. Tamara and Kaila Wright, Marla Aymond

Reader:

9:00 a.m. Linda McCullough
11:15 a.m. Darryl Larson

Nursery:

9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh, Kasey Naklizki
11:15 a.m. Meredith Phillips, Lauren Wilterdink

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. Alan & Barb Windsor & Family
11:15 a.m. Tom & Jean Wisinski

Counters: Jeff Emrich, Jennifer Brey Meyer

Sprouts Teachers: Corey Family

Video Operator:

9:00 a.m. Jeff McKenney
11:15 a.m. Jon Killgore

Sound Board:

9:00 a.m. Matt June
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 April 22

- Prayers of comfort & peace for Hazel Rouker with her journey of incurable cancer.
- Prayers of comfort for the Hielkema Family, as they mourn the loss of Amy’s mom.
- Prayers of healing for Katelyn Gaunt who is hospitalized with serious health problems.
- Prayers of thanks for Gerry Stockwell’s successful surgery and pray for good test results.
- Pray for comfort for Carrie Nichols and her family as she says goodbye to her grandmother.
- Prayers of comfort for Gerry Stockwell’s sister Dorene who has hospice care now.
- Pray for Herb & Viv Libby as doctors find the cause of Herb’s illness and for successful knee replacement for Viv.
- Prayers of health for Karl Cuncannan who is recovering from hip and knee surgery.
- Prayers of thanks & praise that Marilyn Burgard’s hip surgery was successful. Pray for continued successful recovery.
- Prayers of strength & comfort for Pat McMullin whose son has been given 2-6 weeks to live – he has stage 4 cancer.
- Pray that Mark Owens’ temporary job pause will be ended soon.
- Prayers of recovery for Helen who is recovering from a stroke. She is the friend of Gerry S.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for our grandchildren’s birthdays: Nolan Johnson is 6, and Lilly Johnson is 8!
- Prayers of comfort for the Kasper Family who lost their husband, father, grandfather & great-grandfather George who was hit by a car while out walking.

Prayer Requests for the Week of April 15

Worship was cancelled this Sunday due to bad weather. Here are a few requests that came in this week:

- Prayers of healing for Marilyn Burgard who had successful hip replacement surgery on April 19.
- Prayers of comfort for Carrie Nichols and her family after the recent loss of her grandmother.
- Prayers of healing for Patrick Blanchard who had emergency surgery to remove kidney stones this week.
- Please keep the Call Committee in your prayers: Todd Huston (Chair), Brian Crane, Julie Menacher, Lance Girand, Margie Evele, Meredith Phillips, Pete VanGessel, Ron Sabin, and Suzanne Johnson.

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
- DJ Ardy, member and grandson of Fred & Marcia Nichols, training in Rhode Island with the Marines
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who is serving in the Marines
- Corporal Kayla Champaco and her husband Specialist Lance Champaco (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who are 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@clcwyoing.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.

Upcoming Worship Leaders:

April 29: Junior Choir Musical, Pastor Polly Standley presiding
May 6: Pastor Polly Standley
May 13: Pastor Michael Anton



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God
by Bob & Teresa Ortego
in memory of Millie Byrd.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Go, Go, Jonah! The CLC Jr. Choir will be performing 'Go, Go, Jonah!' during the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services today! Join us on a trip to the 'Museum of the Bible' as we explore the story of Jonah in a new, adventurous way. Filled with music and laughter, 'Go, Go, Jonah!' tells a tale of forgiveness that you won't be quick to forget!

Confirmation Students and Mentors: Please don't forget that we will meet tonight from 4-6 p.m. for our last official class, which is really more of a fun game night! You will pair up into teams and compete in games of skill, chance, and luck! Bring \$2 if you are planning on eating pizza. Hope to see you all there!

Mosaic Service Project: We are going back to Samaritas on Sunday, April 29. This time we are going to join the residents for their weekly hymn sing. We will leave CLC at 6:00 p.m. and return at 8:00 p.m. Come help spread some joy at Samaritas! Mosaic is going but if you would like to join them, let Steve know at church or by email:

Steve@clcwyoming.org. National Gathering participants note: if you did not go to the last service project, you are required to go to this one!

Branch Deadline: Please submit all information and articles for the May Branch by Tuesday, May 1, at 10:00 AM.

Puppet Team: Our last performance will take place on May 6. Our last practice will take place this morning, April 29, during Sunday School time (10:15 a.m.) most likely in the Youth Room. We hope many of you will plan to be a part of our last performance of the school year!

Blood Drive: Blood donors, it's that time again! Our next drive is Sunday, May 6, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Signup sheet will be at the Welcome Center. See Whitney VanGessel with any questions you might have or contact her at whitney.vangessel@gmail.com. Let's get another full signup sheet again this drive. I know you can do it! Once again THANK YOU for your donations!

Parents of 8th Graders Being Confirmed This Year - Please remember to attend a meeting on May 6th at 6:30 p.m. to go over the Confirmation service taking place at first service on May 20th. If you cannot be there on May 6th, please let me know. There are lots of logistics to go over and I want to make you aware ahead of time.

Summer Kick-Off: Get ready for all things involving summer youth activities to kick off next week, May 6th! Don't miss being here to take part in all of the fun stuff planned for the summer!

Fifth Third River Bank Run: We will once again be running an aid station at the Fifth Third River Bank Run, which will take place in the morning on May 12, 2018. This is a fun opportunity for all ages! You will find a signup sheet and information sheets in the Gathering Space. A change from previous years is each volunteer must be pre-registered in order to volunteer. The signup sheet includes both a waiver to acknowledge and a spot to indicate your t-shirt size. Please sign up by May 6. If you have additional questions, please contact Scott Westers (swesters@trailerequipment.com). Thanks!

Christ Crew: Mark your calendars for Christ Crew's year end event! Join us on May 12th as we have fun with friends at Craig's Cruisers! Find more details, as well as RSVP on Christ Crew's Shutterfly site. Email Christa Killgore at workn4dalord@yahoo.com if you have any questions. Christ Crew is our 4th-6th Grade Youth Group.

Adult Bible Study: Pastor Bob Mueller will lead the Adult Bible Study Class on May 13. He will present a photo/narrative update on the South Sudan Lutheran Community Development project in Africa which CLC started in 2005. Pastor Bob is currently the Secretary/Treasurer of the Development Board.

Invitation: Gary Sironen invites you to join him for a Celebration of Music Ministry on Sunday, May 20, 4:00 p.m. at CLC. This free 90 minute concert will feature some of Gary's favorite original music written for worship, choirs and musicals, performed by Gary, the CLC Praise Team & Worship Ensemble, and special guests. If you wish to participate in the concert, please contact Gary at gary@clcwyoming.org. Rehearsals TBA.

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Share Your CLC Event Pictures:

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

Email: pictures@clcwyoming.org

EVERYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

Update on Hazel Rouker: As many of you know, our sister in Christ, Hazel Rouker, has been diagnosed with a terminal leukemia. Hazel played an integral part of our congregation in the many years she was a member here, including being the Jr. Choir director for many years and teaching many of our youth the joy of playing piano! She is currently in Arizona and has made the decision to begin hospice care. She will remain in Arizona with her daughter, but she knows she can always call CLC home. If you can, please take time to pray for her, Lysa and Dan Stockwell-her daughter and son-in-law, and granddaughters Whitney and Abby Buchan as they face this next step in Hazel's journey. It would also be amazing if we could flood Hazel's home with cards of love and prayers. If you would like to send her a card, please do so to 44068 West Garden Lane, Maricopa, AZ 85139. There will also be a banner in the gathering space for any former piano or choir students of Hazel's to sign.

Video Team Members Needed! We are currently looking for Video Operators to run the slideshow one Sunday a month (or as a substitute) at the Traditional service beginning in September. Training is provided. This is an increasingly vital ministry for our worship services. For more information or to indicate your interest, please contact Gary Sironen (616-340-9458 or garysironen@netzero.com) or Denise Sironen (616-340-9457 or djsironen@yahoo.com).

SSLCD Need: The South Sudanese Lutheran Community Development team, Pastor Mueller secretary/treasurer, is seeking donations of suitcases (no longer used, buried in your closet) for their work with midwives and orphans in African refugee camps. Please see or call Pastor Mueller (616-334-0376) or Patrick Blanchard (616-460-7150).

Celebrate Our Mothers: We would like to celebrate our mothers, our mother-figures, any woman that we care about and who has made an influence in our lives! For Mother's Day, I would like to display a collection of tributes to these special women in your lives. If you are interested, please take some time to write a tribute to your special lady. It can be as long or short as you'd like, and it can be for a mother that is still here with us or one that is already celebrating in heaven. I would love to hear the special stories of the people who helped to shape the wonderful people you all are, so please take a moment to email me your tribute before May 6th! I would also love to include a favorite picture of you and your loved one, so email me that as well or place it in my box with your name on it. Let's make our gathering space a celebration space on May 13th of all the love and life we've gained from these special ladies. Please email me at suzanne@clcwyoming.org.

A Need for Ushers: "Currently, I am the head usher for the church. I would like to get more people involved, especially the 9 a.m. service since I only have 3 teams available. I would like to find an additional 2 teams (about 8 to 9 people) to help out. It would be nice to find additional people for the 11:15 a.m. service and alternates would be very helpful too! If you have ideas or comments, please email me at h_wendland@yahoo.com". Thanks, Harry Wendland, Head Usher

Nursery Attendants Needed: Christ Lutheran Church is looking to hire one or two adults who have a love for our Lord and his children (from age 8 months to 3 years old) to oversee our church nursery on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The nursery ministry is to provide an environment that is safe, comfortable and nurturing for children so that their parents may attend worship and other church activities. Responsibilities include caring for the children, keeping the room and toys clean, and scheduling additional volunteers from our church membership. A complete job description can be found at www.clcwyoming.org. If interested in this position please talk to Vicki Blubaugh or contact her at Treasurer@clcwyoming.org or call 616-261-5396 (please leave a message).

Personal Care Pantry: PCP is in need of the following items right now: laundry detergent, bath soap, fabric softener, and paper grocery bags. 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.

Help For the Wright Family: On March 5, Dan & Tamara Wright and their family experienced a house fire. Everyone was safe, but their house suffered a lot of damage. They will be living in an apartment for a few months. Many of you have wondered how you can help. These are some specific ways you can help:

- Gift cards : They need to replace everything, so any gift cards (stores or restaurants) are wonderful. You can place your contribution in the treasure chest located on the Welcome Center.
- You can also help by bringing them a meal. A Meal Train has been set up to bring dinner on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The link is here: <https://mealtrain.com/8dw8n5>.
- To donate to help them financially you can either give money to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund (specifically marked for the Wright Family) or you can visit their GoFundMe page: <https://www.gofundme.com/pvj4p-wright-family-house-fire>.

Memorial Gift Giving: Please consider directing memorial gifts to the Pastoral Discretionary Fund at Christ Lutheran. This fund can be used in responding to crisis or personal needs that may arise concerning individuals or households in our church or community on a short-term basis, providing hope for those in the midst of despair. It may also be used to provide financial support to bona fide organizations whose purposes are consistent with the mission of our church. You only need to place a check or cash in a pew envelope marked Pastor's Discretionary Fund, if this is something of interest to you.