



Worship

- In-person worship—**9:00 am Sundays**
- Online worship continues, and will be posted on the [church website](#) and [Facebook page](#)



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The Marks of Discipleship

- † Pray daily
- † Worship weekly
- † Read the Bible
- † Serve at or beyond Light of Christ
- † Relate to others for spiritual growth
- † Give of my time, talents and resources

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We want to hear from you!

This year we are taking some deliberate steps in discerning Light of Christ's future. Where do we best place our energies and resources? What is God wanting to accomplish through us? Where are there opportunities to increase our effectiveness and impact? Do our priorities need change or to be sharpened?

Even as some things have the feel of "returning to normal," we also know that community life will look a bit differently. Our relationships have some different needs. And our relationship with the broader Delano community and beyond will be shaped in new ways.

The Missional Assessment Profile or MAP is a congregational survey designed to help us better understand deeper aspects of our church culture. We'll learn about what we perceive to be important priorities for us. We'll be able to see where changes might be needed.

A second, though more abbreviated, survey, the i-MAP, will help to assess our emerging online presence and ministry. Both of these surveys will not take more than perhaps twenty minutes for you to take.



Beginning April 24th, all confirmed Light of Christ members are invited to take these surveys. Links will be sent out or you may take the survey through a paper copy. Watch for details! And help Light of Christ be all that God has called us to be!

Fueling the Fire

Growing our impact; growing our reach. You're invited to help fuel our ministries forward by making a special gift -- a contribution that is a "second mile gift" above and beyond what you planned to give in 2022. Delano is growing. Our staff has grown to meet this growing opportunity. But resourcing our shared ministry has plateaued. And so this is an invitation to help fill that gap through a gift or increased pledge for this year. Please prayerfully consider what you might be able to do. And respond by filling out and returning a Fueling the Fire pledge card at anytime through the month of April. Brochures and pledge cards were mailed out, but you can also find them in the narthex; or you can pledge online at [this link](#). Thank you for your great generosity!





Table Talks are an important way to connect with other Light of Christ folks and to help build community. Table Talks

are small group gatherings of 4-8 people for just over an hour. A wonderful opportunity to get to know others a bit more deeply. Plus, we'll take some of this time to share ideas about Light of Christ's future priorities as a congregation. Click this [link](#) or sign up in the Narthex.



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

New Members will be received on Sunday, May 1st. If you are interested in joining Light of Christ or would like more information, please contact [Pastor Bruce](#) or [Terri](#) in the church office.



The church office will be closed on Monday, April 18th.

Are you looking to get more involved in worship?

We are looking for new Altar Guild members!! As we are transitioning back to "normal" communion, we are in need of more help. It is a low commitment and a great way to volunteer at church. If you would like to become a member, please contact [Terri](#) in the church office or Kim Wortz at kimw1517@gmail.com.



A Way to Connect; A Way to Serve

Ushers are needed for our worship services. Each time we gather, Light of Christ ushers help to greet and otherwise help members and guests to feel welcomed as they come to worship. We need three ushers for each service. Ushers are asked to arrive about 10-15 minutes early, pick up some bulletins and prayer cards, and then be at one of the three doors coming into the sanctuary. A warm greeting along with passing out these worship helps will create for an important hospitality job to happen.



Please [click here to sign up](#) for any upcoming Sunday. Thank you! You help Light of Christ be a place of genuine warmth and welcome to guests and members alike!



Volunteers from Light of Christ and other churches packed food boxes for distribution on April 11th. Contact [Tim Johnson](#) if you're interested in helping for future distributions.



Some of our church members who volunteered on April 11th: Oda Carlson, Cheri Ashfeld, Lisa Hemmer, and Maxine Johnson.

Parent's Night Out... High School Night In!

On Friday, April 29th, we are having a special event for parents and also for HS youth. Here's the scoop:

5:30-8:00 pm: Parent's Night Out Event!

Sign up to drop your kids (ages 2 through 4th grade) off at church for a fun night of games, pizza and a movie... while you get a few hours "off"! The cost is \$25 for the first child and \$20 for each subsequent child from a family (which includes dinner, childcare, snack and craft). We will need older youth to help lead this event (7th grade and up). Those that help will receive Confirmation Service Hours, raise money for their trips or to help pay their registration fees for other events (such as retreats, etc). Registration for this event (for kids to attend and older youth to help) will be sent in a separate email this week... but save the date!

8:00-11:00 pm: HS Night In!

Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to spend a fun night of fellowship at church... invite a friend and sign up by Wednesday, April 27th to attend! All are welcome 😊 Cost is \$10/ youth (to cover snacks, drinks, pizza, etc).



Confirmation Retreat

We have decided to go ahead with our Confirmation Retreat scheduled for April 30-May 1 at Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp in Amery, WI! We are so excited to be able to do this trip and have time to connect and grow together in faith! This will be the first retreat we've been able to take since Kirsten started working with our Confirmation and HS youth. Here are the details:

- Meet at Light of Christ at 9 am on Saturday, 4/30 to carpool to Camp Wapo
- Return to Light of Christ at 1 pm on Sunday, 5/1

We know the dates won't work for everyone, but we know that those youth that attend will have so much fun! *We are also looking for adult leaders, so contact [Kirsten](#) if you are interested in attending!*



Opportunities for Children at Light of Christ



SUNDAY SCHOOL: for children 3-years through 4th grade – Sundays from 10:10-11:10 am

CLUB 5-6: for youth in grades 5 and 6. We meet on Wednesdays from 5-6 pm. *We resume April 20 and go through May 25.*

SPARK:

- 1st and 2nd grade resumes **April 20** for 4 weeks. This is an afterschool program from 3-5 pm. [Click here to register.](#)
- 3rd and 4th grade Spark will meet for an additional 2 weeks on **May 18 and 25** – sign up link coming soon.

MEGA SPORTS CAMP: our Vacation Bible School for children 3-years through 4th grade runs **July 24-27** from 5:30-8 pm. [Click here to register.](#)

WAPO BIBLE CAMP: While students may register to attend any time during the summer, designated Light of Christ weeks are **June 26-July 1** and **July 31-August 5**. Register at this link: <http://lwlhci.com/lightofchrist>

- There is a Wapo one-day camp on **August 3** for those who completed K-4th grade to experience what camp is like.