



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*

Contact us!

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Free Fresh Produce and Dairy

Monday, September 12th

4:00pm-until gone

Boxes of fresh produce and dairy products will be available for drive through pickup on a first come, first serve basis at the following locations:

Corcoran

St. Thomas Catholic Church
20000 County Road 10
Corcoran, MN 55340

Rockford

Our Father's Lutheran
3903 Gilbert Ave SE
Rockford, MN 55373

Delano

Light of Christ Lutheran Church
3976 County Line Road SE
Delano, MN 55328

Buffalo

Buffalo Covenant Church
1601 Highway 25 North
Buffalo, MN 55313

For assistance locating a specific site or for questions, please contact us at nourishinghope.oflc@gmail.com or Facebook Messenger.

**Food boxes are for anyone at all! Please
come by to get one. Or, pass on the
information to someone else!**

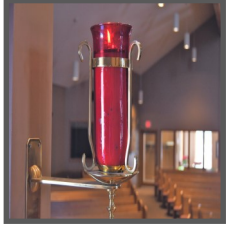
Monthly Food Distribution

The next scheduled distribution and need for volunteers is for **Monday, September 12**. Join the effort and have your faith make an immediate difference for people in need. Links to sign-ups are below. Our guests persistently express their gratitude for this ministry. Thank you for your time, talents and treasures which make this possible!

- **11:00 am at Our Father's** for packing boxes (register at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food>)
- **3:30 pm here at LOC** for distribution of the boxes (register at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food1>)

Special need for anyone who can pick up the trailer at Delano Rental and be the transportation point person

We also invite guests to share prayer concerns. Please email Tim Johnson if you would like to be a part of our Light of Christ family who keeps our neighbors in prayer. Tim.Johnson@LOCDelano.com.



Low Commitment Volunteer Opportunity

Help is needed to keep the oil filled in the sanctuary candles as levels get low. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Linda Rosaaen at 763-478-6298.



Food Shelf Update Fall 2022

Greetings from the Helping Hands Food Shelf!

It's been a busy summer for us! We have seen increasing need for our services, resulting in over twice as

many households accessing our food shelf as did during the summer of 2021. Fortunately, with great support from our community, we have been able to meet this need. As we head into the fall and winter, typically, more people access our food shelf, so we need your help. If you are interested in donating, you have the following options:

1. The grocery cart in Fellowship Hall at church
2. The contribution cart by the exit at Coborns
3. Thursdays at the food shelf from 9-11 or 2-4
4. Call the Food Shelf at (763) 972-4455 to set up a time to donate

We are happy to take any donations of food and personal or cleaning products that are unopened and not expired. Our greatest need now is for the following:

- Coffee/tea
- Barbecue sauce
- Sauce/spice packets (such as taco mix, chili mix, etc.)
- Hearty soups that can be a meal (we get lots of tomato & chicken noodle)
- Oatmeal and cereal
- Paper products (paper towels and toilet paper)
- Depends (for either men or women)

Thanks to the Light of Christ family for your continued support of the Food Shelf.

Caring Corner

(from Sue Fink of the Healing & Wholeness Committee)



As I began thinking about where God is leading our Healing and Wholeness Ministry this coming church year, I looked back on all we've done the past 2 ½ years. Our focus up until now has been on bringing awareness to mental illness, encouraging conversations about our commonality in living with mental illness in ourselves and those we care about, educating us on various mental illnesses, and finding ways to help ourselves and one another to achieve mental health.

God put on my heart this week to consider what healing and wholeness actually mean, as a compass to lead us to a clearer focus on what it can mean for our Light of Christ family as we continue developing our Healing and Wholeness Ministry.

My online research found several examples of definitions:

Wholeness, according to Webster's dictionary, is "the state of forming a complete and harmonious whole; unity". Also, "the state of being unbroken or undamaged" which can refer to things, ideas and people. Spiritually, wholeness is the state of being perfectly well in body, soul (mind, will and emotions) and spirit, which was God's original design for us before "the fall." In eternity we will return to pure wholeness because of Jesus.

Healing means to "make whole or sound or free from illness or disease." Interestingly the word "heal" comes from the ancient word, *haelan*, which is also the root of the word "holy" which means "spiritually pure." Centuries ago, humans associated healing with perceptions of wholeness and spirituality.

Healing is related to wholeness and wholeness is experienced in connection with others. We're meant to seek help and offer help to one another. And healing can occur in ways other than curing. As a hospice nurse I learned that healing and wholeness for a person can happen through very serious illnesses and even as a person is dying.

Our Light of Christ family is becoming more transparent in sharing our troubles which in turn brings us closer and more connected. Let us also share our faith and prayers with one another because it is through our common shared faith and grace that we become more whole together and as individual and unique children of God.

God seeks you continually. May you listen and seek Him and surrender every nook and cranny of your life as you grow toward healing and wholeness.

*True healing is more than restoration
of flesh and blood or knitting of bone to bone.
True healing is wholeness, where body, soul and spirit unite.
True healing is peace, the knowledge of God's presence, a
hope that knows no end.
True healing cries 'Father, not my will but yours.'
True healing knows love perfectly, a love that casts out fear.
True healing overcomes,
endures,
for eternity.
(www.faithandworship.com)*

Check Out the Updates!

We're excited for the "Glow-up" or refresh that is happening in our Fellowship Hall, Narthex and bathrooms. Paint. Some new furniture items. Signage. And the like. Many thanks to Jennifer Grant and others who are helping to make this happen! Below are some before, during and after pictures of the process.

While the process won't take too long, we invite your patience and prayers while we seek to improve our welcome and gathering space, as well as the ways we communicate our many ministry and serving opportunities.

Please reach out to any staff with questions or concerns. Thanks so much!



First Communion

We will be celebrating First Communion on Sunday, October 30. As we welcome all children to the table, it is left to the discretion of parents to determine when their child is ready to receive. To help parents discern if their child is ready, we are offering a First Communion information session for parents on **Sunday, Sept. 18 at 10:15 am** in the Living Room. First Communion instruction will be in person on Sunday, October 2 or Monday, October 3 from 6-7 (*families choose one*). The 2nd class will be held Sunday, October 9 or Monday, October 10 (*families choose one*). To register your child, click this link:

<https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/961297>





Note to all previous Light of Christ Quilters and those who want to start quilting. We will resume meeting Mondays at 10:00 am starting September 12th at church. No previous quilting experience necessary!

Adult Choir Begins!

Choir rehearsals will resume on Tuesday, September 13th, 6:30-7:30. Rehearsals occur weekly.

All skill levels are welcome!! If you are interested in joining or have any questions, contact Katie at katie.kohler@locdelano.com. You can also attend a few rehearsals and try it out! Let us praise God in song together!



Attention Women!

As life and schedules get busy for the fall, please consider taking time out for yourself and joining us for the women's bible study starting in September. Participating in a bible study is a great way to dive deeper into the word and gain new insights that strengthen our faith.

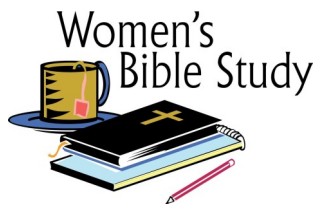
The women's bible study **meets the third Thursday of the month (Sept. – May), 6:30 – 8:00 pm in The Living Room at Light of Christ.**

The study we will be doing for this session is "The Promised One" *Seeing Jesus in Genesis* by Nancy Guthrie.

Below is a summary of the study. Source: [The Promised One \(A 10-week Bible Study\): Seeing Jesus in Genesis \(Volume 1\): Guthrie, Nancy: 9781433526251: Amazon.com: Books](#)

"After the resurrection, when Jesus used Scripture to explain who he was and why he came, where did he start? In the Old Testament. And this is where *The Promised One* begins to look for Christ, finding him in the people, promises, and patterns of the Old Testament scriptures."

If you are interested in participating, please respond to Lindsay Lindall at lindsay.lindall@gmail.com. We hope to see you in September!



Connecting Parents and Youth for Babysitting Opportunities

Are you a youth looking for some new babysitting or nanny/manny opportunities? Are you a parent looking for responsible, reliable babysitters (or after-school care)? Complete this [short online form](#) to indicate your interest (if you are a youth) or what childcare needs you have (if you are a parent) and Kirsten will work to get you paired up a good fit!

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD – This phrase is true within the Children Ministry Program here at Light of Christ. Wondering how you can be involved? Check out the following link for ways that your help would be welcomed as a gift. Thank you! <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/3ec5a1>



Registration Information

Confirmation registration link is now live for all current 7th, 8th, and 9th graders. Register at the link below!

<https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/Confirmation2022-23>