



Worship

- Indoor worship—8:15 & 10:45 am Sundays, starting Sept. 19—masks required
- Online worship will continue and will be posted on the [church website](#).



Church Council 2021

Steven Dickey
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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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Free Fresh Produce and Dairy

Sponsored by NourishingHOPE Food Drop and Second Harvest Heartland

Boxes of fresh produce and dairy products will be available for drive through pick up on a first come, first served basis
All are welcome

Monday, September 13
4pm—until gone

Locations for pick up

Corcoran

St. Thomas Catholic Church parking lot

Delano

Light of Christ Lutheran Church parking lot

St. Michael *new location*

Alleluia Lutheran Church parking lot

Rockford

Our Father's Lutheran Church parking lot

Buffalo

Buffalo Covenant Church parking lot

The Great Thing about Giving

My earliest recollections around giving to the church would be two-fold. One of them was as a young Sunday schooler, either Saturday night or Sunday morning, we would each take out our Sunday school offering envelopes and put our coins into the envelope. At different times there were different orientations. At times, our parents gave us money to put into them. At other times, we were led through some conversation and deliberation around what portion of our own allowance money we would put in ourselves.

I honestly don't remember the whole Sunday school/worship schedule situation on Sunday mornings (whether they were separate or at the same time), but I do remember that when my grandparents were in town for a couple of months each year, that my grandpa would give us kids a nickel to put into the offering plate. BTW, my brother just told me that he remembered the exact same thing. But his strategy, at times, was to effectively fall asleep just before the offering time so that he could keep the nickel. "Hmmm, stealing from God," I remarked as he told me. He said, "Well, I guess it was the reality of selfishness creeping in at that early age." Indeed.

My lasting recollections or feeling about both of these early experiences of giving is that they felt good to do, that they helped me have a sense of belonging, that I somehow knew that I was a part of something bigger than myself. I'm not sure I could have articulated those feelings in such a way, but it's not too difficult for me even now to remember all of that fondly.

I still experience those simple but important realities. The great thing about giving, at least in part, is that it connects me to this day with God, with something bigger than myself. And that's pretty great!

Tim Johnson

Stewardship Committee member



Birthday Ministry Needs

The Birthday Ministry, in conjunction with Love INC, provides a bag of party supplies and a birthday gift for children of neighbors-in-need. Our inventory is stocked through donations, both monetary and supplies, so we can provide these birthday bags to local children. Items currently needed for our inventory include cake mixes (*Funfetti is a favorite*), frosting, dessert-sized plates in primary colors, napkins, banners, balloons, candles, tissue paper, gift bags or gift wrap. Donations may be dropped off at the church office.



We are also welcoming anyone who wants to join this ministry. The time commitment is low—just an hour or so every couple of months. Volunteers shop for supplies for our “store” and then assemble birthday bags with party supplies and small gifts, based on a questionnaire completed by Love INC for each child. If you’re interested or would like more information, please contact the [church office](#).

YOU'RE INVITED GOLF FUNDRAISER

MONDAY | SEPT 27 | 1:00 PM



Register
NOW
Deadline:
Sept 15

SUPPORTING LOVE INC-HEARTLAND

PIONEER CREEK GOLF COURSE

\$100 per individual | \$380 per foursome
Includes greens fees, cart, lunch & gifts

Sign up today!
Email: Golf4Love@LoveIncHeartland.org

Adult Choir Starts TONIGHT!

We are excited to begin adult choir rehearsal tonight at 6:30! Because of COVID, rehearsals will run a little differently. The choir will rehearse outdoors on the patio every Monday at 6:30 PM, weather permitting.

Rehearsals will be about an hour. All musical levels are welcome! Bring a chair and your singing voices! If you have questions, please contact Katie at katie.kohler@locdelano.com.



Announcing – Faith, Earth and Living Sustainably Discussion Group

Everyday there is more disturbing news about the health of our common home – earth. In Genesis we learn that God created the heavens and the earth and saw that it was good. We are called to steward the earth and it seems that we’re failing. The press is good at reporting negative news, but not at what to do about it. So, if you’re confused and don’t know how to become better stewards you are not alone. This discussion group is being formed to give members who want to do more a place to share and learn – not only about the problems, but also about the steps we can each take to live more sustainably while being rooted in faith. 12 Thursday night sessions are planned, **starting on October 7th** and ending in January. The discussion group will be led by new Light of Christ member, Paul Nelson. Paul is a trained facilitator and spent his career in the environmental field. For more in-depth information regarding the discussion group, please [click here](#). To register for the group, email your contact information to the [church office](#).

2 Volunteers Needed Each Sunday Morning

Please click [HERE](#) to sign up for greeter/usher duties for Sunday morning worship!



It only takes a SPARK to make a world of difference! Are you that SPARK???



SPARK is an after-school program that meets from 3-5:00 pm on Wednesdays. Due to the on-going pandemic, we have combined groups in order to be outdoors.

- **Grades 3 & 4:** Sept. 15, 22, & 29
- **Grades 1 & 2:** Oct. 6, 13, & 20

In order for this group to meet we need another adult assistant. Are you willing to be that SPARK in these young people's lives? If so, contact [LaDonna](#) or the [church office](#).



Registration forms are available online for our fall ministries—please click the links below to register:

- [Sunday school \(3 years-Kindergarten\)](#)
- [Sunday school \(Grades 1-4\)](#)
- [SPARK](#)
- [Club 5/6](#)

Young Adult Small Group Starts Tonight!

This fall we are starting/trying something new... join us **TONIGHT, September 13th from 7:30-8:30 pm** at church for our very first Young Adult Small Group! This will be a time of fellowship and devotion for college-aged youth and those in their 20s. Tonight we'll have a bonfire and time for fellowship and also discuss ideas for the future. We hope to do some service events together and have great faith/life conversations. Please spread the word, invite your friends (and parents, please tell your kids 😊) and join us for this new adventure!

High School Assistants

If there are any HS youth that are interested in helping with a Confirmation Small Group (teaming up with an adult Guide) or helping to lead/teach Sunday School, please talk to [Kirsten](#) or [LaDonna](#). We'd love to help you develop your leadership skills, share your gifts and build your resume!

Fall Youth Schedule

From now through MEA, our youth ministries will be meeting entirely outdoors. On Wednesday nights, Confirmation (grades 7-9) will take place from 6:30-7:45 pm in the lawn/parking lot at Light of Christ with HS Fellowship from 7:15-8:45 pm around the bonfire pit. HS youth (grades 9-12) will begin by helping to lead large group games for the end of Confirmation time (from 7:15-7:45) and then end with bonfire, discussion, food and fellowship. Unit #1 for Confirmation is "Learning to Pray." Our HS will have various discussion topics each week (see below). Friends are always welcome! Here is the fall schedule:



<u>Date</u>	<u>Confirmation</u>	<u>HS Fellowship</u>
15-Sep	Small Groups meet individually at various locations	Bonfire at Church (Topic: Welcome)
22-Sep	Lg/Sm Gp Night (Prayer 1)	Bonfire at Church (Topic: Prayer)
29-Sep	Lg/Sm Gp Night (Prayer 2)	Bonfire at Church (Topic: Service)
6-Oct	Lg/Sm Gp Night (Prayer 3)	Bonfire at Church (Topic: Trust)
13-Oct	Lg/Sm Gp Night (Prayer 4)	Bonfire at Church (Topic: Rest)
20-Oct	No Confirmation	No HSF
27-Oct	Feed My Starving Children Service Event, Chanhassen (meet at LOC at 6 pm, return at 9:30 pm) must RSVP	