

November 1, 2019 Lightofchristlutheran.com



The LOC Quilters are pleased to announce the winner of the quilt raffle is Sue Fink! Money raised from the raffle will go towards the purchase of quilting supplies.

The LOC Quilters meet weekly on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in Room 106 at the church. Everyone welcome! No quilting experience necessary!!





**ONLY TOGETHER** can we accomplish the ministry of Light of Christ! **TOGETHER** we provide opportunity to worship God, to experience friendship and a sense of belonging, to bring prayer, hope and healing to those struggling or grieving. **TOGETHER** we pass the faith on to the next generation. **TOGETHER** we are a beacon of light and compassion and help to our neighbors. **TOGETHER** we are God's church!

Being **TOGETHER** takes each one of us doing our part, each one of us investing ourselves and some part of what we have. **TOGETHER** we can have a greater impact, a deeper love, a further reach.

It's been said that generosity is the fuel of ministry. Indeed, generosity of time, talents and treasures is central to what we do. If you have not already done do, please fill out a

yellow <u>Faith Commitment Card</u> and let us know that you'll be financially investing in our shared ministry here at Light of Christ for 2020. The cards are available at the usher station or in the church office. Thank you! We are indeed better **TOGETHER!** 

Also, please fill out a green <u>Story Card</u> and place it into the offering plate. These are our hopes, dreams, aspirations, intentions, prayers for how we want to grow in this next year. Fill one out. We'll share these (anonymously), and we'll pray for one another!



#### 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

# Worship Schedule

Sundays, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24: 8:15 & 10:45 am

9:30 am education hour

**Upcoming First Communion** 

Services: Sundays, Nov. 10 & 17

at 3:00 pm

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving** 

**Service,** hosted by Light of Christ: Sunday, Nov. 24 at 4:00 pm with refreshments after

# CALLING ALL YOUTH SINGERS!

#### **NEW START DATE FOR YOUTH**

CHOIR! The Youth Choir rehearsal schedule has changed. Our new start date will be 11/6. The other rehearsal dates are 11/13 and 11/20. Please contact Katie Kohler with any questions at locworshipmus@gmail.com.

# SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION

#### **PRAYING MORE LIKE JESUS** is

the topic of our Sunday morning
Bible study for the next several
weeks. We will study the ways in which Jesus
prayed and how we can apply that to our own
prayer lives. We will be using Philip Yancey's book
Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference as our resource
book. So please come and join us at 9:30 AM each
Sunday in Room 118.

## SISTERS OF LOC HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Tuesday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Save the date for a fun night of holiday shopping while enjoying refreshments and treats. Bring a friend or two with you! We will have vendors and crafters selling many wonderful gifts. We are still looking for someone who sells Pampered Chef, Tupperware, Norwex, and Tastefully Simple and also crafters/artisans. Please text Jennifer at

612-226-8181 if interested. (we will take the first person who texts for each category)



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### **GRACE PLACE**

Grace Place is a hub for the community and a place for making connections –



371 Center Ave. S., Montrose

- ◆ Community Meal 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month, 5:00-7:00 pm at the Montrose Community Center
- ◆ Coffee Connection Thursday mornings
   9:00-11:00 am at Grace Place
- Potluck Dinner & Bible Study –
   Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Grace Place

# CHURCH COUNCIL & COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

Church Council and Committee Volunteers are needed for new terms to begin following our annual meeting in January 2020. All Light of Christ committees and church council have openings and need your participation! Your gift of time and talents will greatly benefit any group you choose to serve with and in serving you will receive the gift of new friends, new perspectives and strengthened faith. Please contact the church office (763-972-2400;

lochrist@frontiernet.net or locvolunteer@frontier.com) if you need additional information or if you already know where the spirit is leading you to serve. Our prayer is to have commitments to fill all open positions and a full ballot prepared before January 1st. Light of Christ needs everyone participating in some capacity to provide all the programs and services (internal & external) we support. Fortunately, we are blessed with a congregation of extremely gifted, energetic and highly committed members. It is with everyone participating that we ensure a healthy church with a culture of volunteerism and service. We all grow in our faith walk as we exercise our gifts by serving. Thank you!





#### **REMINDER**

Daylight Saving Time ends this weekend. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour Saturday night!



#### **NEW MEMBERS JOIN**

on November 17. A welcome breakfast will be served following first service. Please come for breakfast and fellowship, and to welcome our newest members!

# **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS**





#### FIRST COMMUNION

On Sunday, October 27 we had our first celebration with 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade youth that received their First Communion. Our next 2 celebrations will take place on November 10 and 17. Blessings to all our youth and families on their faith journey!

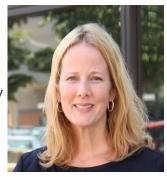




Pre-K/K Sunday School kids learned about Rebekah and Isaac and how we are all one family.

## Family Matters - All Are Welcome!

What do teens and toddlers have in common? Have you found yourself saying "What were you thinking?" on a regular basis? Brain science to the rescue! Research on brain development during early adolescence (and birth-age 3) shows these are unique times in human development. The changes you see go far beyond the explanation of "it's just hormones" or "it's a toddler meltdown." All are welcome to join us for our next Family Matters



event on Wednesday, November 13 from 6:30-8 pm when Dawn Rundman will be talking about Teen Brain Science. This topic is also relevant for those with younger children! Dawn holds a Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology and speaks about the ways that an understanding of neuroscience can help ministry leaders and parents better understand children and youth. We hope you can join us! Here is the link to Dawn's website:

http://www.dawnrundman.com/

#### **SPARK**

This great after-school ministry is for grades 2-6. Busing is provided from Delano schools. Register online at least **one week** before your child's grade begins. Hope you can join us!

- Fifth grade, Ten Commandments (November 6, 13)
- **Second grade,** Lord's Prayer (January 8, 15, 22, 29)
- Fourth grade, Baptism (February 5, 12, 19, 26)
- · Sixth grade, Worship (March 4, 18, 25, April 1)

#### HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

All high school youth are invited on Wednesday evenings to join us in the youth room from 7:30 –8:45 PM for faith and fellowship activities. Hope you can join us!

## My Story...Our Story

All of us Light of Christ members have been invited to fill out a Story Card. A Story Card is a place to write out something about how we pray and hope our story will be shaped in the coming year. It's a prayer, a hope, an intent, a dream, a wish, an aim, a goal, that, with God's help, we believe will help us to deepen our faith and strengthen our journey.

Here are a few of your, our stories. Together, let's hold one another up in prayer...

Here are our intentions/hopes/prayers:

- To continue to serve by teaching, doing altar guild and being a lector. Praying that I will widen my generosity beyond Light of Christ.
- With a new job recently, I intend to give more regularly. I am blessed with a new job, better pay, being closer to home. And now I'm able to give back to my church community.
- To do more Bible study for enriching my faith. To be a better wife. To be more patient with my kids and husband. Simply give more everything.
- To develop a deeper prayer life.
- To be praying and reading the bible daily.
- In gratitude and response, thank you, Lord, for your blessings. In gratitude I give back what you have given to me. Amen.

# CHECK YOUR 2019 PLEDGE STATUS

The 2020 Stewardship Campaign is now underway. Just a reminder that members can check the status of their pledges for 2019 by logging in



to the online member portal (https://servantkeeper.com/member-portal/lightofchristlutheran/login). You can also access the portal log in page from the Light of Christ website (www.lightofchristlutheran.com) by clicking the "Member Portal" icon on the top toolbar. If you need assistance or if you need another "invitation link" emailed to you to create your sign in, please contact Terri in the church office. Invitation links expire after 2 weeks.

# MAKE THE HOLIDAYS MERRY & BRIGHT FOR A LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED



Many families in our communities could use some support this season. You can get involved through Love INC by sponsoring a family, purchasing gifts for their Christmas store, or volunteering at the Christmas programs. More information can be found on the Love INC bulletin insert this month or by contacting Love INC at 763-972-6547.



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Follow the links below to sign up for any of our worship assistant opportunities!

<u>Acolyte</u> <u>Lectors</u>

<u>Greeters</u> <u>Soundboard</u>

**Children's Sermon Ushers** 

**Communion Assistant** 

## MONTHLY SERVICE TEAM



Members of Light of Christ are dedicated to serving the Lord by

sharing, caring and loving, and do so through the work of Monthly Service Teams, serving at funerals, Sunday morning coffee time and other functions.

#### **November Service Team families:**

Chris & Lisa Andrews Penny Bailey Brian & Beth Beardsley Laurie Collings Scott & Brenda Dallmann Marcus & Carmen Hanson Dave & Katie Henson Janine Holter Matthew & Briana Johnson Carol Kocina Pete & Patti Krebsbach Todd & Cherie Kuechle Timothy & Cameron Leonard Ellie Loux Paul & Marcie Ludwig Troy & Angie Malo Sarah Mielke Kevin & Vicki Noetzelman Jeffrey & Tara Olson David & Sandy Parpart Jeremy & Lori Prickett Diane Schmidt Joe & Stacey Schramel Mike & Kelli Uecker Nathen & Gina Will David & Heidi Wuerger