

## Worship

- Indoor worship—9am Sundays
- Outdoor worship—6:30pm Wednesdays, weather permitting
- Online worship will continue and will be posted on the [church website](#).



## Church Council 2021

Steven Dickey  
Carmen Hanson  
Jennifer Hinker  
Jon Holzer  
Derek Horeis  
Elizabeth Kohlhof  
Tom Sebelien  
Lisa Spencer  
Stacy VanCura  
Pastor Bruce Kuenzel

## 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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## The Great Thing About Giving

It's Sunday morning at Casey's. As I buy my weekly sweet roll (*yum*), the other customer is scratching off lottery tickets. *"Nothing like waking up on Sunday morning to do some gambling,"* he chuckled.

Was he lucky? I just knew that my Sunday offering wasn't a gamble. Contributing to the youth mission trip and VBS week are **sure bets** that our kids will have a strong faith foundation. Pledges to the capital campaign or columbarium fund are **sure bets** that important services are in place for our members. Estate gifts to the endowment fund are **sure bets** that Light of Christ will always be able to serve neighbors in need, both within the church walls and throughout the world.

Thank you for actively supporting Light of Christ's budget, its programs, its staff, and its future.

--Cheri Ashfeld, Stewardship Committee



Flat Jesus made a stop at the Devil's Tower in Wyoming with the Reuter family last week. Send in your Flat Jesus pictures to [LaDonna](#) or [Terri](#).



# Thank You!

Dear Light of Christ Lutheran Church ~

Once again, Nourishing Hope thanks you for your support. We greatly appreciate your concern for the welfare of our communities. Our goal is to eliminate hunger.

Sincerely,

Sandy Ziegler  
Nourishing Hope

## OUTREACH

### Upcoming Food Distribution Dates:

- \* **Monday, August 9 @ 4pm**
- \* **Monday, September 13 @ 4pm**
- \* **Monday, October 11 @ 4pm**
- \* **Monday, November 8 @ 4pm**
- \* **Monday, December 13 @ 4pm**

Please contact JoMarie Williamson at [lohvil@msn.com](mailto:lohvil@msn.com) if you are interested in more information or in helping with any of these dates.



### Fifth Sunday Offering for August

We will be collecting donations for the Fifth Sunday offering in August. The funding will be sent to missionary Karen Anderson. Our congregation has been supporting hers and

others' missionary work in Chile. More information will be forthcoming throughout the month regarding their latest missions.



### Love INC Happenings

- **Back to School Bash** is on **August 18<sup>th</sup>** where we give away school supplies to families in need. You can sponsor a child for \$50 or donate school supplies to Love INC-Heartland. Financial donations or supplies are welcome. Donate online at [LoveINCHeartland.org](http://LoveINCHeartland.org).
- Save the date: **September 20<sup>th</sup>** is the **Love INC-Heartland Golf Tournament!** Watch for more details to come.
- Love INC-Heartland is looking for a **Family Advocate**, a part-time paid staff position. Contact [director@loveinheartland.org](mailto:director@loveinheartland.org) for more information.
- Seeking volunteers for our thrift stores in Delano and Howard Lake, Board Members from the Dassel/Cokato area, and volunteers with professional marketing experience to serve on our Communications/Marketing Team.

***Thank you so much for your support of  
Love INC-Heartland!***

## STAYING CONNECTED

### 2 Volunteers Needed Each Sunday Morning

Please click [HERE](#) to sign up for greeter/usher duties this summer!



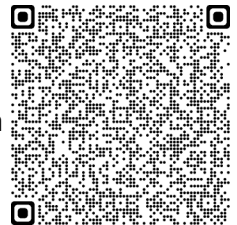
### 2022 Offering Envelopes

A growing number of members contribute weekly or monthly using electronic giving methods. However, we understand that many prefer placing an offering envelope in the plate. To eliminate the ***purchased-but-unclaimed*** envelopes that are wasted, we're asking each family that ***wants*** pre-printed envelopes to request them from the church office by **AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup>**. Email [Terri in the church office](#) or call 763-972-2400. This "OPT IN" method will greatly benefit the office supplies budget. Thank you!



### Donate from Your Smart Phone

Light of Christ offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's QR code reader or go to the [church website](#) and locate the online giving page.



### Quick Tip!

If you subscribe to our [YouTube channel](#) for worship services you will automatically receive notifications when a new video is posted. Subscribing also gives you the ability to find the channel directly from your YouTube home page without having to utilize the search engine. To subscribe, simply click the "**subscribe**" button under any of the channel's videos or on the channel's home page.





# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

## VBS 2021!

It was a great week of learning to ***Dwell Faithfully***. Our young people had days of worship, bible study, games, crafts, nature exploration, and building relationships. Shout out to our young people who participated - you are an amazing group! Special thanks to all our volunteers:

- Luke, Ashley, Addie, and Caden Jeseritz for hosting the three Shetek staff
- Susie Larison, Kirsten Kelly, and Laura Jaunich for their assistance with registrations, daily check-ins, and temperature checks
- Brynn Spanier, Maggie and Natalie Thompson, and Allie Bunker for their leadership and assistance with the students
- Thanks to those who provided food for staff, morning or afternoon snacks, and behind the scenes assistance: Laura Jaunich, Heidi Wuerger, Tara Olson, April Fritz, and Jewel Ekern
- Special shout out to the Endowment Committee and fund for financial assistance, and to all who offered prayers and encouragement



15 of our Pre-K young people got on board with Jesus at our **Rocky Railway VBS**. On day one, they learned to be conductors as they follow Jesus' example. When we run out of steam, God gives us power through the Holy Spirit. We learn to trust Jesus in life's ups and downs. Thanks to Kirsten Kelly and all the VBS parents who participated as helpers.





## HS Service-Learning Trip to Denver

On July 10-17, our high school youth went on an incredible, life-changing trip to Denver, Co. We had an impactful week of faith, fellowship, and growth along with many service and learning opportunities! Here are some of the great opportunities we had:

- Painted two houses through Brothers Redevelopment
- Packaged food for the elderly through Food Bank of the Rockies
- Learned more about homelessness and got a tour of Colfax Street through an organization called Wholly Kicks (check them out!)
- Distributed food and sorted clothing through The Action Center (not pictured)
- Did weeding and learned about the amazing Earth Links organization (not pictured)
- Prepared a meal and delivered food for Break Bread (not pictured)
- Went white water rafting
- Explored Boulder, CO
- Stayed at Messiah Mountain Retreat Center for the week
- Had daily devotions, worship, hammock time in the mountains and TONS of fun!

Those participating on this trip were: Claire Arveson, Nick Egly, Sophia Grant, Erin Green, Evalyn Green, Andrew Ihde, Sean Ihde, Ben Kelly, Kirsten Kelly, Sarah Klinkner, Taylor Kriesel, Willie Magner, Natalie McClelland, Gretchen Ness, Hailey Ness, and Lexi Rothstein.

We plan to share more stories at a special worship service this fall. We can't thank you enough for your prayers and support as we walked with God on this adventure! And a big **thank you** to Sean Ihde for attending the trip as an adult leader!



**HIKING AT RED ROCKS**



**HAMMOCK VILLAGE**



**WHITE WATER RAFTING**



**ENJOYING & EXPLORING BOULDER, CO**



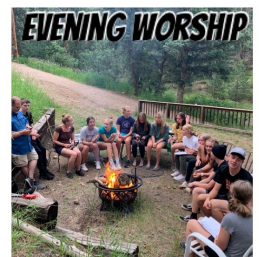
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**BEFORE  
& AFTER**



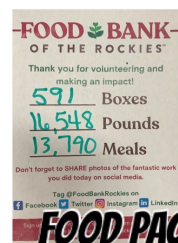
**LEARNING ABOUT  
HOMELESSNESS**



**EVENING WORSHIP**



**HOUSE PAINTED  
ON WEDNESDAY**



**FOOD PACKING ON TUESDAY**





## Bible Camp

This past week, Light of Christ had 9 youth attend Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp. It was an incredible week of worship, games, fellowship, Bible study, canteen, swimming, and much more! We missed being at camp last summer and so it was great to go back! We had 7 youth attend Wapo in June... so there were 16 total that attended this summer. Light of Christ offers a \$100 scholarship for each youth that attends camp and so we thank you for your support of our Youth Scholarship Fund! We welcome donations any time... they make a HUGE impact and we are so grateful for everyone's contribution!

Youth attending camp last week were:

August Becker	Sydney Pink
Rowan Johnson	Olyvia Stahlke
Alex Kelly	Ashlynn Wortz
Ben Kelly (counselor in training)	
Kaitlyn Pink	Chase Wortz



## Summer Fun Events!

Youth are invited to join us after Wednesday outdoor worship on August 11<sup>th</sup> for some time of fun and fellowship! We'll have games, snacks, and a bonfire. We hope your child/family will also join us for worship on this evening (and each Wednesday this summer)! Youth do not need to sign up in advance and friends are always welcome...hope you can join us!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Completed Grade</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Wednesday, August 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:30-8:30 pm	6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> grade	We hope to have Confirmation groups formed to share with incoming 7 <sup>th</sup> grade!

## Summer HS Fellowship/Bonfires

There's one more Wednesday night fellowship event scheduled for HS youth—see below. Hope you can join us for a bonfire, volleyball, food and fun!

- **Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**, 8:30-9:30 pm (this night will be a “welcome to HS” event for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders)

