



Pastor Bruce Kuenzel

January 15, 2024

Worship

- In-person worship— 9:30 AM (new time) Sundays
- Online worship continues, and is livestreamed to our <u>YouTube</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages



Church Council 2023

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Sunday Forum: January 21 after worship Connections 2024—A Vision for Improvements

Join us next Sunday, immediately following worship for a Connections 2024 discussion on the proposed *Let Us Build a House* plan. We will share more details, give a good overview, and invite conversation as we move toward an anticipated congregational vote to move forward with a capital appeal at our Annual Meeting. All are welcome!



Congregational Annual Meeting January 28, 2024 at 11:00 AM

Members are encouraged to come and be a part of the decision-making process of Light of Christ Lutheran Church.



OUTREACH

(from Sue Fink of the Healing & Wholeness Committee)



Happy New Year from your Healing and Wholeness Ministry Team! We have been richly blessed this past year as our Light of Christ family continues to grow in faith and caring for one another.

Through the guiding of the Holy Spirit, we have accomplished so much and remain energized and committed to move forward in 2024 with on-going education and projects toward ministering to those of us who struggle with mental illness, loneliness and life's ups and downs.

Please read our annual report for 2023 in the packet that comes out prior to the Annual Meeting this month to see what we have been up to. Thank you, God!

We want everyone to be reminded that we have an updated webpage under the LOC website. Search the "Support" and "Mental Health" tabs for important resources and education. Give it a look so you know what's there when you need support.

The **O.W.L.S** (Older Wiser Lutherans) group will gather on <u>Thursday, January 18th 1 - 3PM</u>, so get ready to connect and have some fun together!! We have over 30 folks who signed up in October so let's get the ball rolling!! Please contact Sue Fink if you can help plan our activities or have questions/ideas.

We value and love each and every member of this church family and we want you to know it.

Sue Fink (chair), Lisa Hemmer, Lona Jose, Rachel Boyack, Elizabeth Kohlhof, Lisa Spencer

"When you turn your worries into worship. God will turn your battles into blessings."

Thanks And Blessing From Love INC



We thank and pray for special blessings to all pastors, staff,

church members, and volunteers who are committed and dedicated to sharing the Gospel.

Family Meals At Love INC Fresh Start Program

Serving a family meal at Love INC Heartland's Fresh Start Program is a simple, impactful way to show the love of Christ. We have multiple openings to fill from February to April. Sign Up On Meal Train: <u>bit.ly/</u> <u>fsmeals23</u>



Dean Lona & Light of Christ Church,

Thank you so much for putting a spotlight on our nonprofit, and allowing us to present to your congregation. The donations will help us produce more shirts and keep expanding.

Sincerely,

Ethan & Mike Tulkki—Cancer Care Foundation

Tom Sebelien

Mom's Night Out

Join Kirsten for the next Mom's Night Out on **Sunday, January 21st** at 7:30 PM at Brickside. No need to register – all

are welcome! Hope you can join us for a night of fellowship, conversation, and prayer.

The **O.W.L.S** (Older Wiser Lutherans) group will gather on **Thursday, January 18th 1 - 3PM**, so get ready to connect and have some fun together!! The group plans to meet the third Thursday of each month from 1:00-3:00 PM. Please contact Sue Fink if you can help plan our activities or have guestions/ideas.



Sign Up to Serve a Lenten Supper!

Lenten suppers will be served prior to each Wednesday Lenten service from February 21 through March 20 (*no supper on Feb. 14/Ash Wednesday*). Groups and/or individuals are invited to serve a Lenten supper. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the office

area; or you can contact Terri in the church office. A free-will offering taken at each meal may be used for a cause designated by the meal's hosts.



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 <u>church</u> <u>website</u> and locate the online giving page.

Seeing more videos on our Light of Christ Worship Services YouTube page?

We are currently transferring videos from our Devotions YouTube page to our worship page. That way we have all your videos in one place! If you would like to view them in a more organized manner, click on the "playlists" tab. There the videos will be divided into three different categories: Devotions, Sermons, and Worship Services.

Please note, all YouTube live videos are listed under the "live" tab and are not in the "Worship Services" playlist.



Women's Bible Study

The women's bible study has resumed and meets the first and third Thursdays of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the Living Room at LOC through March. The study we will be doing for this session is *Blessed:* Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Revelation by

Nancy Guthrie. If you have any questions, please contact Lindsay Lindall at <u>lindsay.lindall@gmail.com</u>



Tough Questions for 21st Century Christians

Pastor Bruce will be leading a Bible study on the tough questions that we face as 21st century Christians today. We will meet on the **first and third Tuesdays** of the month in the Living Room from 7:45 - 8:45 PM. There is no need to register ahead of time. Just come as you are. There will be time for checking in, praying, conversation, and a biblical/theological presentation by



Pastor Bruce. The presentation will be recorded and posted on the Light of Christ website for those who can't participate in person. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Bruce with any questions you may have.

Lost & Found

Have you misplaced a travel mug? Hat? Scarf? Gloves? Please stop and check for any of your missing items in the basket outside the church office. These





CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

Confirmation Corner (all nights are 6:30-8:00 PM unless noted otherwise):

- January 17 = Content Night
- January 24 = Content Night
- January 31 = Content Night
- **February 7 =** Content Night
- February 14 = Ash Wednesday (start of Lent—worship as a family)

Camp Night at Confirmation January 3



Save The Date...and Your Donations!

We hope you'll join us for our fabulous youth fundraiser on **Sunday, March 17th** for a special St. Patrick's Day auction and dinner! And as you are doing "post-Christmas clean up," please remember the youth with any donations you might have that would be good for the auction... new and <u>gently used</u> items such as:



- Unwanted Christmas gifts/gift cards
- Christmas Décor
- Jewelry
- Sports equipment
- Books
- No used clothing, please

Our auction will be online again this year from 8:00 AM–5:00 PM on March 17th, with items on display at church from 2:30-5:00 PM and then the dinner taking place from 5:00-7:00. Tickets for the dinner will go on sale beginning Sunday, February 25th. Thanks for your support of our summer HS trips!





What a fantastic way to begin a new year!

On Wednesday, January 3rd we had staff from Camp Wapo here at Light of Christ helping get our kids excited for Bible Camp!





Registration opens today (**January 15**) for the reserved camp spots. The dates we have reserved are:

- WAPO Seeds (Grades 1-3): June 21-23
- Youth (Grades 4-6): June 23-28
- WAPO Youth: July 28-Aug 2, Aug 11-16

The registration link for Light of Christ congregation is <u>http://lwlbci.com/loc-delano</u>.