



Worship

- In-person worship—**9:30 AM (new time) Sundays**
- Online worship continues, and is live-streamed to our [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#) pages



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Save The Date...and Your Donations!



We hope you'll join us for our annual youth fundraiser on **Sunday, March 17th** for a special St. Patrick's Day auction and dinner! We also invite you to consider making a donation (of new or gently used items) for the auction! Our top sellers are always gift cards, wine baskets or electronics but it helps to have a variety of items and values! Donations must be brought to church **no later than Monday, March 11th**, but the sooner the better (so that our volunteers aren't so overwhelmed the last few weeks leading up to the event). Some great donations include:

- Vacation rentals
- Gift cards
- Sports tickets
- Personal certificates (such as for a dinner, boat ride, yard work or babysitting)
- Delano-themed basket or gear
- Toys
- Unwanted Christmas gifts
- Jewelry
- Sports equipment
- Books or puzzles
- *No used clothing, please*

Our auction will be online again this year from 7:00 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 (with the famous dessert auction at the end of the dinner). Tickets for the dinner will go on sale beginning Wednesday, February 14th. Thanks for your support of our summer HS trips to Chicago and the BWCA!



Join us
on 3/17
for our
youth
fundraiser!



Monthly Food Distribution

Ministry Partners are needed each month on the second Monday for the Nourishing Hope Distribution program we share with four other west metro churches. The next food distribution is on **Monday, February 12th**. Shifts are available at 10:00 AM to about noon at Our Father's Lutheran Church in Rockford, and 3:30 – 4:30 PM here at Light of Christ. Sign-ups are at the links below or QR codes shown:

- **10:00 AM** packing food boxes (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food>)
- **3:30 PM** distributing boxes of food right here in our church parking lot (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food1>)



Caring Cards

Is there someone you would like to receive a personally written message of support or encouragement from the Light of Christ family? Please complete the information below and send to the church office or email to Terri.Reuter@locdelano.com. A card will be created and sent to the intended recipient.

Please send a card to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

This person needs support dealing with:

☐ grief ☐ depression, brokenness

☐ illness ☐ family discord

optional details:

To ensure an age-appropriate message, please indicate the recipient's age.

☐ youth-young adult ☐ 30-60 ☐ 60-100

*This outreach is provided by the
Healing and Wholeness Ministry.*

Call on the Light of Christ Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please feel free to engage the Light of Christ Prayer Chain.

[Email the church office](#), which is preferred, or call 763-972-2400 with your request, which remains confidential. The LOC Prayer Chain will pray for you as requested. Feel free to call on this team in your time of need. Anyone wishing to join the Prayer Chain should contact the church office.



Lent Service Musicians

Lent is almost upon us! This year we are once again having Wednesday Lent services at 7 PM and singing the Holden Evening Prayer. If you would

like to help song-lead or play an instrumental part for a Wednesday service, please contact Katie at katie.kohler@locdelano.com. Thank you!

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.



2023 Tax Forms

You should have received your 2023 contribution statement, either by email or mail, within the last week. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

Lost & Found

Have you misplaced a travel mug? Hat? Scarf? Gloves? Please stop and check for any of your missing items on the table in the narthex.

These items will be donated to Love INC at the end of the month if not claimed.



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.



LET THE BIBLE GUIDE YOUR GIVING



Regularly:

1 CORINTHIANS 16:2 - "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made."

Secretly:

MATTHEW 6:1-2 - "Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. So, when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward."

With God's Priorities in Mind:

MATTHEW 6:19-21 - "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Sacrificially:

LUKE 21:1-4 - "As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. 'Truly I tell you,' He said, 'this poor widow has put in more than all the others.'"

Purposefully:

1 CORINTHIANS 9:7 - "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Cheerfully:

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 - "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Generously:

LUKE 6:38 - "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6 - "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."

Summer Trips Meeting!

- ♦ **What:** Meeting to learn more details about the March 17 fundraiser and also some Chicago trip details
- ♦ **Who:** Chicago & BWCA youth, adult leaders and at least one parent for each youth attending
- ♦ **When:** Wednesday, January 31
- ♦ **Time:** 8-9 pm
- ♦ **Where:** Sanctuary at LOC



Having fun at Voyagers!



Confirmation Corner

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

- ♦ **January 31** = Content Night
- ♦ **February 7** = Content Night
- ♦ **February 9** = Friday Night Lights
- ♦ **February 14** = Ash Wednesday (start of Lent—worship as a family)

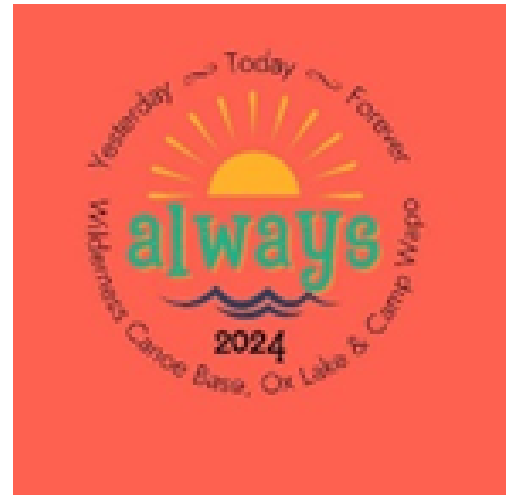


Register for Summer Bible Camp!

Registration is now open 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 <http://lwlbc.com/loc-delano>.



HS Fellowship Begins on Sunday Nights!



HS Fellowship for grades 9-12 starting again on Sunday nights!

After a few months of not having HS Fellowship on Wednesday nights (and trying Friday Night Lights instead), we've decided that we need a new time/event for our 9th - 12th grade youth to gather on a regular basis. Friday Night Lights will still take place the 2nd Friday of each month (and is open to 7-12 grade youth), but we've found this to be largely attended by grades 7 and 8, which is awesome!

So, we are going to give Sunday nights a try for grades 9-12 to gather. We invite our HS youth to hang out in the Living Room and have some time to connect and have fun with friends at church! Here are the details:

Who: 9-12 grade youth (ALL are welcome, including friends)

What: Fellowship, food, fun and games at church!

When: Once a month on Sunday nights typically the last Sunday of the month. Future dates will be 2/25, March is TBD (with spring break and Easter), and 4/28. May is also TBD.

Time: 5-8 pm (supper included - won't always be pizza; some nights we'll cook together at church)

Cost: \$5/youth (to help cover the cost of food). Some nights might be more, depending on the meal.

Note: This will be an "open house" style where youth can come late or leave early, if needed.

Sign Up: Youth are encouraged to [sign up here](#) by noon the day of the event... but can also just show up. Signing up in advance will help Kirsten plan for food and adult leaders.

So, spread the word and we look forward to seeing you on February 25th!