



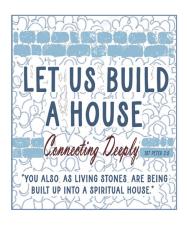
Worship

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



Church Council 2024

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Light of Christ Members/Partners,

We are pleased to share the results of the July 21st Congregational Meeting vote regarding the project priorities from the recent Capital Appeal. With the \$194,000 we have raised, the vote supported the following projects:

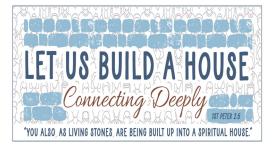
- Sanctuary live stream cameras: \$6,000
- Electronic building security: \$18,000
- Steeple/ceiling repair: \$15,000
- Parking lot mill & overlay: \$71,000
- Remaining to Fellowship Hall: \$84,000

If you still want to pledge or want to increase your pledge, please email the Church Office or fill out a pledge card and place in the offering plate.

We will keep you updated on progress and timelines as we start on the above projects.

You can find meeting minutes posted on the bulletin board in the narthex hallway or on the LOC website posted <u>HERE</u>. Please contact a Church Council member with any questions. Thanks for your support!

Your Church Council, Appeal Leadership Team, and Building Committee



Join us for outdoor worship on August 18th at 9:30 AM! Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs!



OUTREACH



Boxes of fresh produce and dairy products will be

Boxes of fresh produce and dairy products will be available for drive through pickup on a first come, first serve basis at the following locations:

Corcoran

St. Thomas Catholic Church 20000 County Road 10 Corcoran, MN 55340

Rockford

Our Father's Lutheran 3903 Gilbert Ave SE Rockford, MN 55373

Hanover

Influence Church @ City Hall

11250 5th Street NE Hanover, MN 55341 Delano

Light of Christ Lutheran Church

3976 County Line Road SE Delano, MN 55328

Buffalo

Buffalo Covenant Church 1601 Highway 25 North Buffalo, MN 55313

Maple Grove

Rice Lake Bible Chapel

8801 Rice Lake Road Maple Grove, MN 55369

For assistance locating a specific site or for questions, please contact us at NourishingHOPE is a ministry of Our Father's Lutheran Church, in cooperation with four area churches. Our vision is to relieve area food insecurity and promote wellness in mind, body, and spirit for people East-Central Wright County. For information on you or your organization partnering with NourishingHOPE, please visit our website at www.ourfatherschurch.org/nourishing-hope.html

August Food Distribution

Thanks to so many of you who help this ministry serve our neighbors in need! Every month Light of Christ joins with five other West Metro churches to provide boxes of food -- dairy, produce, breads, other items. All six churches provide volunteers to help load some 700+ boxes of food at Our Father's Lutheran Church in Rockford from 10 AM to about noon. And then at 3:30 PM, another group of volunteers meet in our parking lot to prepare for 4-5:00 PM distribution to those who come. Many of our guests are further agents of compassion as some of them then deliver to other family or neighbors in need. All in all, this is a rewarding way to connect with other church members, express one's Christian

faith, and make a real difference in the lives of others. Often, we offer faith and encouragement booklets to those interested, and we always pray for the needs of those who share their prayer requests with us.

Our next food distribution is **Monday, August 12th**. Below are the links to sign up. No experience necessary. We have grade school youth to retired folks in friendship and service together. Any questions, please reach out to Tim Johnson (952/472-1755). Thank you for praying for this ministry!

- 10:00 AM packing food boxes—<u>click here</u>
- 3:30 PM distributing boxes of food right here in our church parking lot—<u>click here</u>



CHURCH NEWS

2025 Offering Envelopes

To eliminate the *purchased-butunclaimed* envelopes that are wasted, we're asking each family that <u>wants</u> pre-

printed envelopes to request them from the church office by <u>AUGUST 12th</u>. Either email <u>Terri in the church</u> <u>office</u> or call 763-972-2400. This "**OPT IN**" method will greatly benefit the office supplies budget. Thank you!



The church office will be closed on Fridays through August 30th.

SAVE THE DATE

Fellowship night with Pastor Kebin & family

Come join us for a night of fun and fellowship with the Rosa family from Belize. Save the date for **Wednesday**, **August 21st at 6:30 PM** at LOC. We will be outside, weather permitting, so please bring a lawn chair. If it rains, we will move inside. A meeting will be hosted in the Living Room at 5:30 PM prior to the gathering if you are interested in finding out more about our mission trip to Belize on March 1st-8th, 2025. Please <u>click here</u> for more details and to sign up for this event.



Light of Christ is turning 40!

2025 is the 40th anniversary of Light of Christ. The Church Council is planning to appoint a 40th Anniversary Committee of four to six people to spearhead our celebration. We'd like to have an anniversary committee that reflects the make-up of the congregation: male and female, different ages, long-time members/partners and newer members/partners, and so forth. If you'd like to be considered to serve on this committee, please let a member of the Church Council know of your willingness to serve. Thank you!

School Supply Drive

LOC member, Taylor Berscheid, has teamed up with the local food shelf to work on her National Honor Society project to collect school supplies. She plans to deliver all the school supplies donated by the week of August 19th. She



has set up an Amazon wish list of items needed (see link below) but will also accept **cash donations and gift cards** to purchase supplies. <u>https://www.amazon.com/</u> <u>hz/wishlist/ls/28P7893P554LV?ref_=wl_share</u> (*Please make any checks payable to* **Taylor Berscheid**)

Pastor Kebin's Visit

We are excited to announce that we are hosting our brothers/sisters in Christ from Belize. Pastor Kebin, his wife Ani, and their two girls Gaby (age 5) and Hollie (age 2) will be coming to Minnesota in mid-August.

Pastor Kebin will be joining us and speaking at the 9:30 AM church service on August 25th. Kebin is an amazing, charismatic, God-serving Christian who wants to spend time with our congregation and talk about his mission work in Bella Vista, Belize and his life experiences in Christ.

We have asked Pastor Kebin what his family needs are, and we have included below what donations they could use for his family and church. We will also take monetary donations. Please specify your donation is for **Pastor Kebin/Church of San Iglesia, Bella Vista, Belize.**

- Church needs: laptop, live translator device, monetary donations
- Pastor Kebin's family needs:
 - Summer clothes
 - Ladies' pants size 6, dresses small, shoes size 6, shirts small
 - Men's pants 30x28, shirt small or medium, shoes size 8
 - Children's shoes size 5 and size 9, clothes 2T and 5T or larger
 - Monetary donations for his family to purchase a house by his church

There is a bin in the Narthex to place donated items. We ask you to keep Pastor Kebin, his family, his Belizean congregation, and the people in Belize in your prayers. If you have any questions **please contact Jennifer Grant** @ 612.226.8181 or email <u>jpconnection.jg@gmail.com</u>.

Youth & Children's Ministry Registrations

- ⇒ Voyagers (1st- 3rd grade; 2024-25 year): Early registration now open at link below. Save \$20 if paid in full by <u>Aug. 15th</u>. <u>https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/</u> Voyagers.20216689919
- ⇒ Pathfinders (4th-6th grade; 2024-2025 year): Early registration now open at link below. Save \$20 if paid in full by <u>Aug. 15th</u>. <u>https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/Pathfinders.202161654</u>





Final Summer Youth Activity Night!

Join us for our last night of summer fun! We'll have outdoor games and ice cream – all are welcome!

- \Rightarrow Monday, August 19th
- \Rightarrow **7-8 PM** = completed grades 6 & 7
- \Rightarrow 8-9 PM = completed grades 8 and up (including college-aged youth)

Friends are welcome and these nights are free (thanks to the support of our congregation). Hope to see you there!

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is Now OPEN!

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS



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THANK YOU!

Thank you for making SCUBA VBS such a FIN-TASTIC time! May your friendship with God continue to grow each day!



THANK YOU to the organizers and decorators, the registration assistants, and all who donated supplies.
THANK YOU to our station leaders, crew leaders, and Jr. crew leaders. You are a blessing!
A special THANK YOU to the 49 FIN-TASTIC young people who made this week a super fun success!
You're the BEST!

Scenes from VBS 2024 Theme: SCUBA—Diving Deeper in Our Relationship with God



CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS



More scenes from SCUBA VBS 2024





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THANK YOU!



Two of our young people (Caleb Prickett and Cole Wiyninger) recently enjoyed a week at WAPO Fish Camp.

They both say - "We had fun. Did lots of fishing, and we would love to go again next year."

Thank you!