

The Beacon

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Pastor Bruce Kuenzel
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October 24, 2022

Worship

- In-person worship— 9:00 am Sundays
- Online worship continues, and will be posted on the <u>church</u> <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u> page



Church Council 2022

Mike Boyack Tim Current Steven Dickey Carmen Hanson Jennifer Hinker Jon Holzer Derek Horeis Lisa Spencer Natasha Werner 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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LightOfChristLutheran.com Terri.Reuter@locdelano.com On Sunday October 30, 7 of our young people will be celebrating their First Communion. Please keep Abigail Froehle, Lauren Krysan, Caden and Adelyn Jeseritz, Breck Johnson, Brooks Halbersma, and Nolan Wortz in your prayers as they prepare for this special moment in their life of faith.





OUTREACH

Fifth Sunday Offering (October 30th): Birthday Ministry for Love INC



Light of Christ works in collaboration with Love INC to provide birthday gifts and

birthday party supplies to families of children ages 12 and under. Families selected are vetted by Love INC and meet all requirements for assistance. The Light of Christ Birthday Ministry Committee is responsible for securing items needed including gifts, gift bags, wrapping paper, plates, napkins, balloons, cake mix, frosting, etc. Committee members then assemble the birthday bags, which are picked up by Love INC for distribution to the families for a great birthday party!

The Birthday Ministry is fully funded by Light of Christ congregation members, and our October Fifth Sunday Offering has been selected to help support this important ministry.

Two ways to contribute to this ministry:

 Donate through Light of Christ <u>Here</u> and click on the "Donate now" button under the October Fifth Sunday offering tile

OR

 Designate the offering you put in the October 30th collection plate for the *Fifth Sunday Offering/ Birthday Ministry*. Special envelopes will be located at the usher station.



Monthly Food Distribution

The next distribution will be on **Monday, November 14**th. If you would like more information or would like to sign up to help, please reach out to Tim Johnson.... or click on one of the following links:

- 11:00 am at Our Father's for packing boxes (register at this link: (<u>https://www.signupgenius.com/</u> go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food)
- 3:30 pm here at LOC for distribution of the boxes (register at this link: (<u>https://www.signupgenius.com/</u> go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-food1)

Thanks to all who help in this ministry!

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 <u>Terri.Reuter@locdelano.com</u>. 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. <u>Email the church office</u>, 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.



Psalm 107:1 reminds us: "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!"

Thank you for helping to create our wonderful Gratitude Chain! These blessings surround us as we worship together. Some words from our Gratitude Chain:



Advent Charcuterie **Fundraiser-**Save the Date!

When: Sunday, December 4th

Time: 5-7 pm

Where: LOC Fellowship Hall

What: Great food, fellowship, music (by Katie Kohler & Marcus Hanson), Advent hymn sing, small "youth services" live auction and optional wine/beer tasting!

Who: Adults 21 and up

Registration: Coming soon!

Proceeds: Benefit the youth going to Belize



Thank you! So far we have received 60 pledges for our 2023 shared ministry. Pledges help in our planning, and pledges are a great way to prioritize our own giving as families and individuals. So, if you haven't, please consider a weekly or monthly pledge for giving for next year. Pledge cards are in the narthex or you can pledge online on our website or at https:// bit.ly/3RIoNar.

Here at Light of Christ, each one of us is a part of something larger than ourselves. Our mission to bless others with Christ's love and gospel of grace happens in so many ways. Thank you for ensuring that lives are touched and blessed by the Holy Spirit!

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

2023 HS Service Trip

We are so excited to announce that our HS Service Trip in Summer 2023 will be going to Belize!! Registration for youth (grades 9-12) and adults is now open <u>at this link</u>. A few notes:

- Youth registration deadline = Wednesday, November 16th
- Adult Leader/Participant registration deadline = Wednesday, November 30th
- Tentative dates for the trip are **July 29-August 5**, **2023**

Reach out to Kirsten if you have any questions. Thank you for your prayers as we plan for this incredible adventure!



LOC SPARK!

Our first 4-week session of SPARK has 14 1st and 2nd graders learning about Old Testament people of faith! Week 1 is learning about Esther!





NEW... HS Friday Night Lights!

The Youth & Family Ministry Team has been talking for awhile about hosting more events for our youth that are focused on connecting and fellowship. So we're excited to share with you that we'll be having our first "HS Friday Night Lights" event in November! We are still finalizing details, but the night will include several events in and around Delano involving fun lights (possibly cosmic bowling, laser tag, etc)...and we always want to share our light, so we'll incorporate some fun service as well! More details to come but for now, **SAVE THE DATE**... you won't want to miss it! Here are the details:

Who: 9th – 12th grade youth and friends

<u>What</u>: Overnight fellowship event to connect and have fun!

When: 7 pm, 11/18 – 8 am, 11/19

Where: Light of Christ and beyond

Ever wonder what all the youth at LOC are up to? Interested in seeing updates of all the fun, their growth and amazing adventures they are sharing together (and also know about upcoming events)? Please take a moment to "follow" our Light of Christ Youth Instagram page (username is *locyouth*)!

