

The Beacon

```
Pastor Bruce Kuenzel
```

June 5, 2023

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 2023

Mike Boyack Laurie Brown Billie Chock Tim Current (treas.) Steven Dickey (pres.) Derek Horeis (v. pres.) Dan Paulson Lisa Spencer (sec'y.) Natasha Werner Pastor Bruce Kuenzel



Contact us!

Light of Christ Lutheran 3976 County Line Road SE Delano, MN 55328 (763) 972-2400



LightOfChristLutheran.com Terri.Reuter@locdelano.com

Sign Up Soon!

Light of Christ's Community Life Committee would like to invite you to the annual picnic on Tuesday, June 13th from 6:30-8:00 pm at the church. We will serve boxed meals that include grilled or fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, potato salad, a roll and bottled water. Please sign up **by June 9th** at the link below with your preference of



grilled or fried chicken, or if you prefer a gluten free option, and how many people in your family will attend. Also, please bring your own blanket and/or chair. We hope to see many new and familiar faces for some summer fun & fellowship! For any questions, please contact Kelly Harstad at 763-227-8246 or <u>kellyharstad8@gmail.com</u>

Sign up for picnic here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4AA5A62CA64-locs</u>



Got Sneakers?

As you do some spring cleaning and go through shoes at home, please consider bringing old tennis shoes to Light of Christ to support our youth going to Belize! Here are the details:

What: Used sneaker fundraiser/recycling program through <u>GotSneakers?</u>

Proceeds: Each pair of sneakers brings in at least \$0.25 (but up to \$7 depending on the condition) and will benefit our youth going to Belize

When: Now until June 11

Drop Off: Collection bins at LOC (Narthex & Fellowship Hall)

Note: Only tennis shoes are accepted

Thanks for supporting our Belize youth as we do some spring cleaning while also helping out our environment and those in need!

June 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.

Due to growing need, we will increase to 100 the number of boxes of free food we will share with our neighbors on **June** 12^{th} . 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-up links are below:



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

Donations gratefully accepted, designated for LOC Food Distribution Ministry.

Quilt Donations

Pictured below are some of the quilts Light of Christ Quilters donated this spring. Recipients were "We Can" in Mound, MN, and "Ivy House" in New Ulm, MN.

Thank you Amber Dawn Andrews, Ann Bassett, Oda Carlson, Cheryl Collins, Carolyn Endsley, Laurie Grimm, Ginny Iverson, Maxine Johnson, Lynda Pavlovich & Joan Zimmerman.







Free Fresh Produce and Dairy Monday, June 12th 4:00 pm—until gone

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

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

For assistance locating a specific site or for questions, please contact us at nourishinghope.oflc@gmail.com or Facebook Messenger.

Basement Sale at Love INC Heartland Thrift Store Shop various items

Iove In the name of Christ

at our Howard Lake Thrift Store on Friday, June 23, from 9am-2pm and Saturday, June 24, from 9am-12pm. Your free-will donation supports our mission to help churches help people In the Name of Christ. Questions? Call the Howard Lake store at 763- 999-7087 or message thrift@loveincheartland.org

Love INC Volunteer: Prep For Clothing Sale

Our Delano thrift store seeks volunteers to prep for an upcoming clothing sale. Will you help sort, steam, and hang items? Volunteer with your group evenings during the week. Contact the Delano store at 763 -999-7086 or <u>thrift@loveincheartland.org</u> to schedule today.

CHURCH NEWS

Summer Musical Series Based on *All Creation Sings*



Join our Director of Worship and Music, Katie

Anne Kohler, every Wednesday as she shares music and information about the new ELW Hymnal supplement, *All Creation Sings.* Videos will be posted every Wednesday starting June 7th on our Light of Christ Devotions YouTube page, found at this web address: <u>https://youtube.com/@lightofchristdailydevotion5560</u>



A big thank you to everyone who helped set up, serve, and clean up for the funerals last month – Mary Ann McKay





Outdoor Bluegrass Sunday!

Join us for outdoor worship at **9:00 am on June 18th** for some bluegrassthemed music! We also encourage those attending to dress up in your interpretation of bluegrass attire. Don't forget your lawn chairs! In the case of inclement weather, we will move the service inside. Outdoor worship will be livestreamed as well. See you then!

CHURCH NEWS

JOB OPENING

Light of Christ Lutheran Church is seeking a *Congregational Ministry Director* to help build and coordinate a spiritual gifts ministry where peoples' gifts and areas of interest are matched with opportunities for service and ministry. If you can see yourself supporting our congregational membership process by actively connecting visitors and members with the life of the congregation and engaging people in their areas of giftedness and passion, please contact Jo Williamson at jmw2158@gmail.com with your interest. The full job description is available through the church office

(<u>terri.reuter@locdelano.com</u>), or on the church website: <u>https://www.lightofchristlutheran.com</u>

Gifts for Dad or Teachers!

Equal Exchange items make great gifts for Father's Day or year-end teacher gifts! We even have some new items (beyond the coffee, chocolate, tea and nuts that we've had in past)... including hot sauce and chocolate chips! You can purchase items before or after worship each Sunday (from the "LOC Youth Corner") or <u>online through this link</u>. Items can even be gift





benefit the youth going to Belize and also help small farmers around the world. Thanks for your support!

The church office will be closed on Fridays through September 1st.



Connecting Parents and Youth for Babysitting Opportunities

Are you a youth looking for some new babysitting or nanny/manny opportunities? Are you a parent looking for responsible, reliable babysitters (or summer care)? Complete this <u>short online form</u> to indicate your interest (if you are a youth) or what childcare needs you have (if you are a parent) and Kirsten will help you get connected!



Belize Prayer Partners



Each summer we ask our congregation family to pray for our service trip participants as we prepare and then also while we are on our trip. We give each prayer partner an itinerary so that they know what

we're up to each day and then encourage them to attend our return worship service after the trip (which is on August 6 this year). This summer we are looking for approximately 35 people who will commit to praying for our HS youth and adults as we head to Belize to serve, grow and learn from July 29 – August 6. <u>Click here to complete the short</u> form to indicate your interest. Thanks for your partnership in ministry!



Prepare to Blast Off!

Registration for a STELLAR VBS is happening now!

Crew members also needed - if willing to come on board just let LaDonna know! Supply crew member also needed - see sign-up link for how you can assist!

Register at the link below or by scanning the QR code:

https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/ form/859fd882

If you'd like to donate needed supplies, you can sign up at this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A4AB22A4FCCF8-stellar

LIGHT OF CHRIST **Summer 2023**

Youth Activity Nights

Open to kids completed grades 6-12



No Cost **Mondays 7:00-8:30pm** June 19th, July 17th & Aug 21st



Join us for a variety of activities plus snacks & drinks please bring a waterbottle!