

Mary Kaye Ashley, bridge pastor November 4, 2024

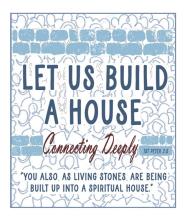
Worship

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



Church Council 2024

Mike Boyack (vice pres.) Laurie Brown (sec'y.) Billie Chock Tim Current (treas.) Heidi Goldbeck Luke Jeseritz Lisa Krause Natasha Werner (pres.) Jon Wissink



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Together We Thrive: Time, Talents, and Treasure The Gift of Our Talents

This week, we turn our attention to the talents we have been given. God has uniquely equipped each of us with skills and gifts to bless others. Whether it's serving in worship, teaching, helping others, or behind-the-scenes work, our talents help the church and community flourish. Write down a talent you can share with Light of Christ, placing it on our "Talent" banner. Together, using our gifts, we thrive in our mission.

Fill out as many leaves as you would like. And help our kids to contribute, as well!

Some options:

Virtual Ways to Volunteer

- ☐ Coordinate the altar guild Sign-up Genius (2 hours per year)
- ☐ Keep a list of ministry opportunities, members and skills
- ☐ Call people for volunteer opportunities
- ☐ Create posters, signs or newsletter articles for committee needing help
- ☐ Write cards or notes to members
- ☐ Create surveys as needed



OUTREACH



Free Fresh Produce and Dairy

Monday, November 11th 4:00-5:00 pm

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

Support the Christmas

families the option to shop for

today! bit.ly/loveincchristmas

Store - Love INC Heartland

The Christmas Store gives Love INC

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

Monthly Food Distribution

The next food distribution is on **Monday**, **November 11**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-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)





Store Volunteers - Love INC Heartland

Christmas gifts for their children at no cost to

them. You can support by giving a gift online

Our thrift stores in Delano and Howard Lake are in urgent need of volunteers to help stores run smoothly. Training provided and commitment is flexible. Volunteer as individual, family, or group today. thrift@loveincheartland.org

Attention LOC Gardeners!

If your garden is overflowing with goodness, the Delano Helping Hands Food Shelf is happy to take any extra produce off your hands! You can drop off produce at the Food Shelf between 5-6 on Tuesdays or 9-11 on Thursdays. If those times don't work for you, call us at 763-972-4455 and leave a message. We will get back to you to schedule another drop off time. Or, text Jo Williamson at 602-501-7903 to make arrangements.

WANTED

Items Wanted

The church could use two stainless steel chafing dishes to serve hot food during funeral luncheons, and a metal two-drawer filing cabinet with a

lock to store archived personnel files. If you have either of these items and are willing to donate them, **please contact Rhonda Current** at rkcurrent1@gmail.com and I can arrange to pick them up or meet you at church to collect them. Thank you.



for November from Sue Fink

Here's "The HOOT"

Make note on your calendars: We are moving the next OWLS event up a week, to **November 14**th!!

We have made reservations for a private educational tour of the Grimm Farm Historic Site in Victoria. It is the original homestead of a German immigrant who developed a winter hardy alfalfa which enabled dairy farming in Minnesota. This site is part of the Carver Park Reserve. Our tour will be mostly inside with a bit of outdoor walking, so come dressed for both.

We will plan to meet at church at 11:30 and stop for lunch on the way (details later/ideas welcome). Then we'll meet our guide, Josh, at the Farmstead at 2 PM.

The address is 7025 Victoria Drive.

We had to pay in advance, \$90.00 for the reservation, so if 10 of you come, it will cost \$9.00 each, but if 15 sign up it's only \$6.00 each. Quite a bargain!

Remember, this event is coming up soon, so please sign up with Sue as soon as you can.

Our December event will be the usual third Thursday, on December 19th, with plans for a Christmas potluck, fun, games, and prizes!!!

We sure do have fun!

Peace in Christ.

Sue and the OWLS team



Women's Bible Study

The women's bible study *meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 PM at LOC through April 7.* We will not meet in December. If you are interested in participating, please respond to Lindsay Lindall at lindsay.lindall@gmail.com We hope to see you there!



Call Committee Update Important Upcoming Dates

Saturday & Sunday, November 9 & 10 - We will have a "Welcome Weekend" where the candidate will spend time meeting with some of our groups at Light of Christ, including the staff and Church Council. He will also be preaching and leading service on November 10. Immediately following the service there will be a welcome reception for him and his family that everyone is invited to. A breakfast will be provided by the Community Life Committee.

Sunday, November 17 - The Church Council will be holding a Special Congregational Meeting immediately following the service where there will be a vote on calling the candidate to be our next Pastor. This meeting will also be available via Zoom at this link: Zoom Meeting

Stay Informed!

The current Church Council meeting minutes can be found on the church website.



Sunday Announcements



If you would like to share any church-related announcements on Sunday morning, please let Katie know by the Wednesday prior to the

<u>service</u>. We will do our best to accommodate, but there may be Sundays where we cannot fit it in, and another Sunday may work better. Thank you!

Adult Choir

Adult choir rehearses every Tuesday, 6:30-7:30 PM. Attendance at all rehearsals is not mandatory. Contact Katie with any questions.

Welcome to the Lord's Table!

On Sunday, October 27, Light of Christ welcomed Zachary Henson, Beckett Hiltner, and Landon Hiltner to the Lord's Table. Blessings to each of you. May you always know God's love, joy, and forgiveness.









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RAISE AWARENESS FOR HOMELESSNESS

Date: Saturday, November 9th, 2024

Time: Sat 6pm - Sun 9am Location: Light of Christ



9th-12th graders! Join us for an evening of fellowship, food, and service! Bring shelter supplies (tents or large cardboard boxes) to camp out overnight on the church lawn. **Everyone** is welcome to bring donations, food, clothing, and/or hygiene products. If you have any questions please contact Madison Schansberg (madisonschansberg@gmail.com).

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

Children's Ministry at Light of Christ



VOYAGERS: On Wednesdays after school we welcome 33 1st – 3rd graders. We provide a snack *(yes, we would love donations of snack items and especially lemonade!)* This is a time filled with music, engaging with the LOC Readers Theater, learning Bible stories and verses, as well as a small group time.

Sharing Highs and Lows: often the responses from the children: **BEING HERE!**





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Readers Theater: Voyagers

Readers Theater: Pathfinders
The small groups take turns sharing
the Bible story! (4 groups - 41 children)





Explorers: On Sundays, following the children's message, we offer a time for our 3-year-olds -2nd graders an opportunity to engage in age-appropriate music and story time. To date our average attendance is 16. We have 6 very dedicated lead teachers who rotate leading this group. As a result of our Safe Sanctuary, and to keep this Sunday morning option, we need a second adult present each Sunday – you don't need to lead, you just need to be present and assist as needed. *This can be a parent, grandparent, YOU!* Indicate your willingness to assist our Explorers at this link!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A4AB22A4FCCF8-50886125-explorers

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS



7th/8th Grade Mission Trip Twin Cities, MN June 8-12, 2024

We are excited to offer our very first 7th and 8th grade mission trip this upcoming summer! It'll be a shortened trip (4 nights) and always be local—probably in the Twin Cities area. Please check out the info below, prayerfully consider attending and talk to Kirsten about any questions!

What: A trip for current LOC youth in grades 7 and 8 who want to grow in their faith, serve and learn together on a trip in Minnesota!

Where: Staying at Luther Memorial Church in South St. Paul, MN

Cost: Approximately \$375

More Info: Click here to view the info sheet for more details. If you missed the info meeting, here is the link of the recording: https://www.youtube.com/@lightofchristdelano9722

Register here (and pay your \$100 deposit) before 12/18/24 to secure your spot! https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/TwinCities2025

HS Mission Trip Info Meeting

Our 9th-12th grade youth are headed back to the N. Shore next summer to serve and learn together! We will stay in Two Harbors again and serve at local social-service agencies. The trip will take place the end of July. Join us for our info meeting to get more details!

Info Mtg: Wednesday, November 13th, 8:00 PM

Where: Sanctuary at LOC

Who: Youth in grades 9-12 and parents

Confirmation Calendar

(All events are 6:15-8:00 PM unless noted otherwise. See more details included on this page.)



- 11/6 = No Confirmation (contact Kirsten if you'd like to go to the State VB game)
- **11/13** = Teaching Night
- **11/20** = Teaching Night
- **11/27** = No Confirmation (Thanksgiving)
- 12/4 = Service Night at Delano Food Shelf
- **12/6** = Friday Night Lights! (7-10PM)
- 12/11 = Service Night at Love INC

Youth Choir Rehearsals Begin Soon!

Youth choir rehearsals begin in November! Attendance at all rehearsals is not mandatory. Rehearsals take place after worship and last for 30 minutes. The listed ages are 3rd-6th grade, but if your child is out of that age range and interested, talk to Katie. If you would like to sign-up for youth choir, use this QR code and fill out the form!

katie.kohler@locdelano.com with any questions.

Help Fill the Fridge!!!

As we all know, "Food is Fellowship!" And this includes having snacks and drinks for the youth as we gather throughout the year. We invite any donations of drinks or snacks for the Living Room that can be available to our youth when we gather on Wednesdays or for special events. Whether it's leftover soda or juice boxes from this summer (or grad parties) or something you're willing to purchase... we'd love to have our fridge and cupboards filled with drinks/snacks for upcoming

Wednesday nights! Donations can be dropped off in the Living Room anytime. If you would like a charitable donation receipt, please contact Kirsten. Thanks for your partnership in ministry!











Trunk or Treat 10/27/24















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