



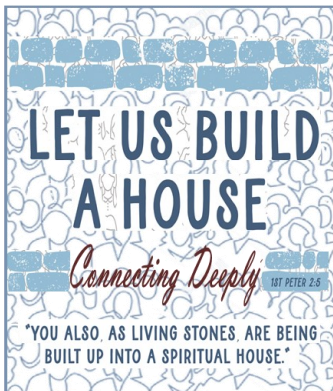
Worship

- In-person worship—
9:00 am Sundays
- Online worship
continues, and will be
posted on the [church
website](#) and [Facebook](#)
page



Church Council 2023

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Derek Horeis (v. pres.)
Dan Paulson
Lisa Spencer (sec'y.)
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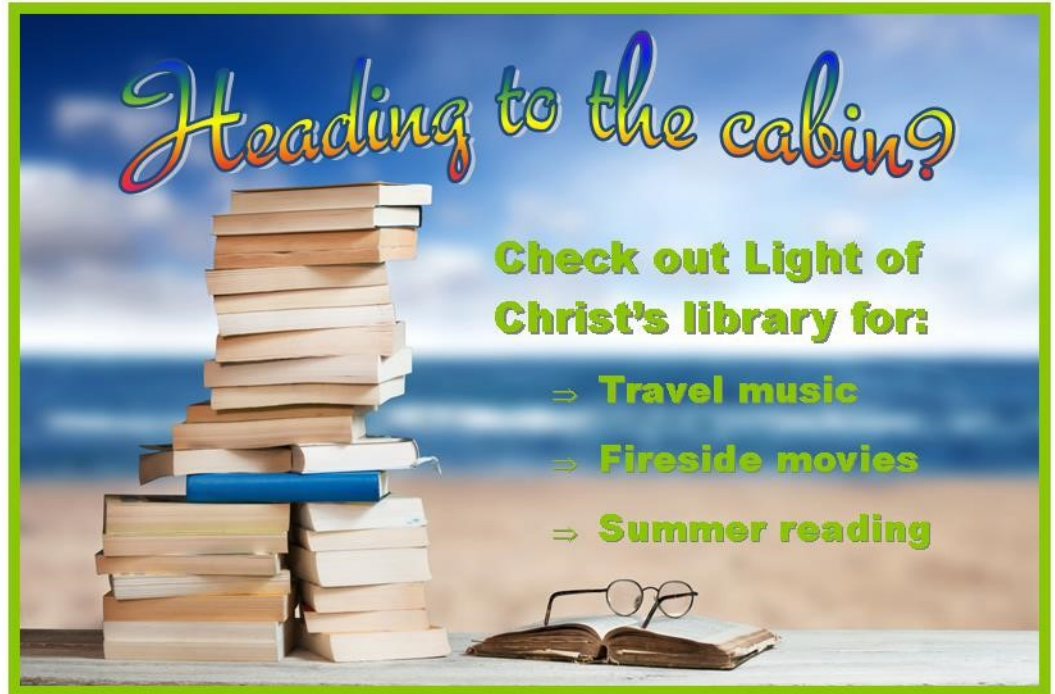


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Light of Christ's Community Life Committee would like to invite you to the annual picnic on Tuesday, June 13th from 6:30-8:00 pm at the church. We will serve boxed meals that include grilled or fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, potato salad, 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 kellyharstad8@gmail.com

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



Caring Corner

(from Sue Fink of the Healing & Wholeness Committee)

A huge *thank you* to all who walked with us last Sunday, prayed for those with mental health struggles, attended the amazing Rachel Kurtz concert, and are opening their hearts and minds as we grow in awareness, understanding and acceptance of mental illness. Thanks also for your generous donations, totaling \$292.00, for NAMI-MN.



Please remember that you are not alone when you are lonely, grieving, feeling anxious, stressed or depressed. Call on Pastor Bruce and trusted people for support and help. Find resources on lightofchristlutheran.com, under *Support/Mental Health*.

Enjoy some carefree summer days!

With love from your Healing and Wholeness committee ❤️



OUTREACH



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 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-up links are below:

- **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>)

Donations gratefully accepted, designated for *LOC Food Distribution Ministry*.

Did you know...

- Almost 200 million shoes end up in landfills every year
- Shoes in a landfill take up to 30-40 years to decompose
- More than 6 million people worldwide don't even own a pair of shoes

Spring weather is finally here! 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:

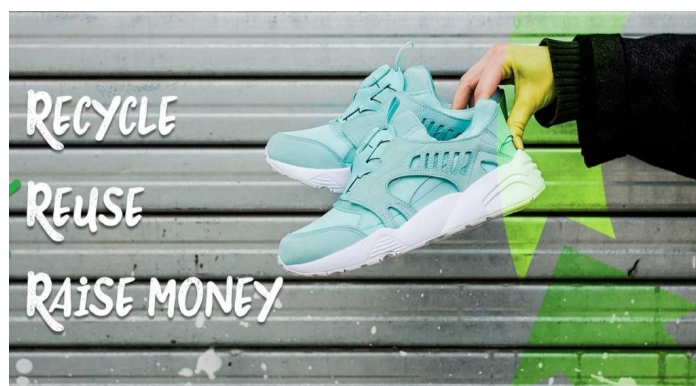
What: Used sneaker fundraiser/recycling program through [GotSneakers?](#)

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



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

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 [short online form](#) 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!

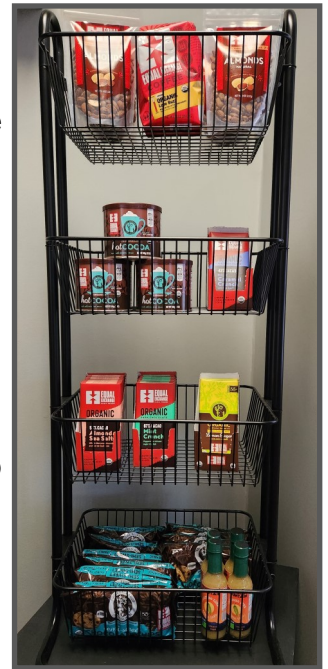


Gifts for Dad or Teachers!

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 [online through this link](#).

Items can even be gift wrapped or even delivered (in the Delano area)! Proceeds benefit the youth going to Belize and also help small farmers around the world. Thanks for your support!



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. [Click here to complete the short form](#) to indicate your interest. Thanks for your partnership in ministry!

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: <https://youtube.com/@lightofchristdailydevotion5560>



THANK YOU!

Dear Light of Christ Quilters,

Thank you for donating the beautiful children's quilts. Any donation to Ivy House supports our mission of providing a safe and caring place for kids to stay. Thank you for thinking of the children we serve (96 in 2022!).

God bless,

Trisha Homan, executive director Ivy House
www.ivyhousemn.org



We had a
great
Family
Matters
event with
Rachel
Kurtz on
5/17!

Thank you to the
Healing and
Wholeness team for
helping to support
this event!



If you missed it you can find
the live recording on our
Facebook or YouTube pages.

First Communion



God's blessings to Ben DeMars who celebrated his first communion on Sunday, May 21.



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

Mondays 7:00-8:30pm
June 19th, July 17th & Aug 21st

No Cost



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