

The Beacon

Pastor Bruce Kuenzel

June 14, 2021

Worship

- Indoor worship—9am **Sundays**
- Outdoor worship— 6:30pm Wednesdays, weather permitting
- Online worship will continue and will be posted on the church website.

Church Council 2021

Carmen Hanson Jennifer Hinker Jon Holzer Derek Horeis Elizabeth Kohlhof Tom Sebelien Lisa Spencer Stacy VanCura Pastor Bruce Kuenzel

The Marks of Discipleship

- Pray daily
- → Worship weekly
- → Read the Bible
- Serve at or beyond **Light of Christ**
- P Relate to others for spiritual growth
- **†** Give of my time, talents and resources

Contact us!

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Graduate Recognition

On Sunday, June 6th, we honored 21 graduates from Light of Christ through a special worship service and blessing, as well as gifted each one with a special prayer quilt. The quilts were made by members of our congregation. Congratulations to our graduates and blessings on all of your adventures to come...God bless you, and keep you safe and healthy!

Light of Christ 2021 graduates are:

David Boecker Adam Brown Jenna Bunker Gavin Carson Braeden Collings Brenna Durick Nick Egly Zach Fink Kylee Heinzen Noah Lind Jack Magner

Gretchen Ness Andy Palan Claire Roeglin Claudia Schmidt Aidan Stigman Kylie Strobl Carter Tool Zachary Towne **Hunter Ulferts** Sydney Wuerger









A big thank you to the following youth and families for making tie blankets for our grads:

our grads:
Taylor Berscheid; Mike, Rachel, Cora & Ailsa Boyack; Avery & Emery Klaphake; Curt, Terri, & Cooper Reuter; Taylor & Anna Tool; Ava & Mya Werner.





Free Fresh Produce and Dairy

Sponsored by NourishingHOPE Food Drop and Second Harvest Heartland

Boxes of fresh produce and dairy products will be available for drive through pick up on a first come, first served basis.

All are welcome



MONDAY, June 14 4pm -until gone

Locations for pick up

Corcoran

St. Thomas Catholic Church parking lot

Delano

Light of Christ Lutheran Church parking lot

St. Michael

New Alleluia Lutheran Church parking lot

Rockford

Our Father's Lutheran Church parking lot

Buffalo

Buffalo Covenant Church parking lot

Appropriate distancing and COVID mitigation practices will be employed

If you are able to help with a future food distribution or would like more information, please contact JoMarie Williamson at lohwil@msn.com.

Volunteers are always welcome and needed!

Love INC Needs Volunteers

Love INC's Fresh Start group is starting to meet again in person on Monday nights and is in need of adults to help watch children (ages approx. 4-10) while the group meets. Fresh Start is a class series designed to help adults learn new skills and set goals to break the cycle of poverty. Interested folks can contact Doug Stewart (the Executive Director) directly at director@loveincheartland.org.

Because you give...your own life is blessed! While we like to "make things happen" through our giving, consider the miracle of what happens inside your own spirit, your soul, when you give because you know that you'll be blessed through that act of self-lessness. Thank you! You bless Light of Christ, but you will also be blessed through your generosity!



STAYING CONNECTED

Youth Room Remodel Update

Here is what's been happening this past week with our remodeling project:

- Knock down completed on the ceilings and texture sprayed on entryway walls (to match other walls in the entryway)
- Ceilings and soffit painted (see photos to the right)
- Ping Pong table purchased
- Refrigerator delivered
- Concrete polishing/staining completed on 6/10
- We'll begin work on cabinets on 6/13 which will go into next week

A huge thank you to Kiera, Harry, Sophie, Jennifer & Peter Grant as well as Ben Kelly for their hard work painting the ceilings!

Thanks for your continued prayers and support!!



- ♣ Sunday indoor worship at 9:00 am
- Wednesday evening outdoor worship at 6:30 pm, weather permitting





We are asking for our Light of Christ
members to help us come up with a new
name for the youth room! The vision for
this room, once it is completed, is to be a
community room for us all to use. If you

have any great name ideas, please send them to Kirsten at <u>Kirtsten.Kelly@locdelano.com</u>. We are excited to hear the creativity from our members!

Annual Church Picnic

My idea

Despite the heat, the annual church picnic, hosted by the Community Life Committee, was well-attended on Tuesday, June 8. Over 50 people enjoyed chicken dinners and face-to-face fellowship to kick-off the summer.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

Summer HS Fellowship/Bonfires



This summer we'll have a monthly fellowship event for HS youth on Wednesday nights (schedule below). Hope you can join us for a bonfire, volleyball, food and fun!

- Wednesday, June 30th, 8:30-9:30 pm
- Wednesday, July 21st, 8:30-9:30 pm
- Wednesday, August 11th, 8:30-9:30 pm (this night will be a "welcome to HS" event for incoming 9th graders)

Summer Fun Events!

Youth are invited to join us after Wednesday outdoor worship on specific days for some time of fun and fellowship! When we meet we'll have games, snacks and a bonfire. We hope your child/family will also join us for worship on these days (and each Wednesday this summer)! Below is the schedule. Youth do not need to sign up in advance and friends are always welcome...hope you can join us!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Completed Grade	<u>Notes</u>
Wednesday, June 30 th	7:30-8:30 pm	7 th & 8 th grade	We'll have a short service project also so
			you'll get an hour of service too!
Wednesday, July 21 st	7:30-8:30 pm	6 th grade	We'll have a short service project also so
			you'll get an hour of service too!
Wednesday, August 11th	7:30-8:30 pm	6 th & 7 th grade	We hope to have Confirmation groups
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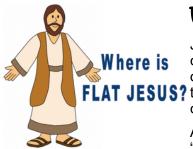
A Rewarding Opportunity

July 18-21, there is the opportunity to show hospitality to two camp staff from Shetek Bible Camp. They will be here at Light of Christ leading our VBS day camp and need a place to sleep and get refreshed for the next day. The reward is hearing the excitement and what is happening at camp locally that week as well as camp ministry throughout the year. For more information or to say "**YES**, **they can come and stay at our place**" email <u>LaDonna</u>. Thanks so much! God's blessings, *LaDonna*

There's Still Time to Register for VBS!

- ◆ <u>LOC's Preschool VBS</u> is for children who turn 3-years-old by July 20th up to those entering kindergarten in the fall of 2021. The theme for this camp is "Through Life's Ups and Downs, Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through." This program will run daily from 4:00-5:00 pm Tuesday, July 20th-Thursday, July 22nd and will be led by LaDonna Ekern & Kirsten Kelly. More details can be found and registration may be completed at <u>LOC Preschool VBS</u>. There are currently 17 children enrolled.
- ◆ LOC's VBS led by Shetek Lutheran Ministries is for children who will be entering grades 1st-5th in the fall of 2021 and will be led by Shetek Lutheran Ministries. The theme for this camp is "Dwell Faithfully" based upon the bible verse John 15:9. This program will run daily from 9:00 am-2:30 pm Monday, July 19th-Thursday, July 22nd. More details can be found at LOC VBS led by Shetek Lutheran Ministries. There are currently 25 children enrolled for this program.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS cont'd



WHERE IS JESUS? The Summer Challenge Is On!

Where is Use where is to take a picture of Jesus and send it to LaDonna or Terri in the church office. Can Jesus be seen at a camp site, in a car, on a bike or in a plane? Is Jesus at the ball diamond with you or by a pool? Is Jesus in Delano or a completely different country?

At Light of Christ we are having a fun "Take Jesus With You Challenge." There is a "Flat Jesus" that you can pick up at church and color however you picture Jesus, and because it's flat, it can easily go anywhere with you. At Light of Christ we will gather

these photos and at our fall Fire Fest, we will be sharing surprises for the most creative Jesus... the Jesus who traveled the furthest, the Jesus who hung out with the youngest and the oldest child of God. Who knows what other fun categories and surprises await?!

Unwanted School Supplies

Now that school is out, if you have a lot of opened or partially used supplies that could still be used instead of thrown away (notecards, markers, pens, colored pencils - however, we **do not need** any crayons), please keep us in mind! Email our CYF staff if you have something that you think could be donated. Thanks for your partnership in ministry! -Kirsten Kelly

Register for Summer Camp!

Join us at camp this summer! We encourage you to invite a friend and sign up for any week that works for your family!

Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp (https://lakewapo.org/)

So far, we have 15 youth signed up to attend Wapo this summer. Wapo is welcoming church staff to visit kids for at least a day. So, if that helps you feel more comfortable to register your child, know that we will be there at least one day to check in and give you an update!

- June 27-July 2: completed grades 4-12
- July 25-30: completed grades 4-12
- July 21-23 (Wapo Seeds): completed grades 1-3



Green Lake Lutheran Ministries (<u>https://www.gllm.org/</u>**) -** Currently, we do not have any LOC youth registered at GLBC.

LOC will offer scholarships again to any youth who attends Bible camp (\$100 for week-long and \$50 for the "abbreviated" camp). Families are encouraged to register for the camps even if it means getting on a wait list since they are hoping to open up more spaces for each week at camp as it gets closer to summer. Please contact our staff with any questions you have.