



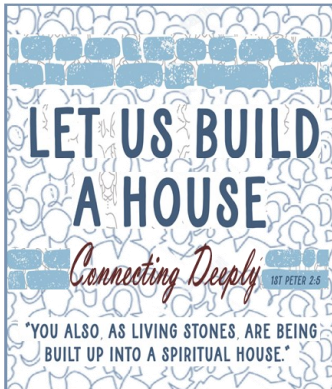
Worship

- In-person worship—
9:00 am Sundays
- Online worship continues, and is live-streamed to our [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#) pages



Church Council 2023

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Summer 2024 Youth Opportunities

Registration is open for our Summer 2024 High School trips! Check out the links below for more information about each trip as well as the online registration form. **The deadline to sign up for each trip is THIS Wednesday, November 29.** Talk to your friends and sign up soon! If you missed our info trip meeting, [click here](#) to go to our *Youth Summer* page on our website to view the PowerPoint from the meeting (*scroll down to Summer 2024 bullet*). If you have any additional questions, please contact Kirsten Kelly at 612-220-7464 or Kirsten.Kelly@locdelano.com. We truly believe these trips provide a life-changing experience for those who attend and hope you'll think about attending or encourage your youth to attend! Those interested in being an adult leader should talk to Kirsten about the opportunity. We're excited for another awesome summer of high school trips!

- **Chicago Mission Trip:** <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/Chicago2024>
- **Youth Gathering (New Orleans):** <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/ELCAYouthGath24>
- **BWCA Trip:** <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/BWCA2024>

BWCA Trip (for current 11th & 12th grade youth only; led by Jennifer Slipka) = Dates and cost TBD (most likely a 4-5 day trip costing under \$500)

BWCA Adventure 2024



Led by Jennifer Slipka and 1 adult male (TBD)



ELCA Youth Gathering to New Orleans (led by Pastor Bruce & Cynthia) = July 15-20; estimated cost \$1,500

Mission Trip to Chicago (led by Kirsten Kelly) = June 23-29; estimated cost \$600



OUTREACH

The CFM team is pairing up with *Friends 4 A Cause* again this Holiday season. This local non-profit teaches others that giving is greater than receiving through the power of friendship and community. They help local families year-round when they are going through hard times. During the holiday season they help Delano and Wright County families, and foster kids have a brighter Christmas. Each family member submits 3 wants and 3 needs, and the family will get a \$100 Coborn's gift card and an essential basket. New this year, each family will receive a laundry basket full of essentials and so we will be looking for monetary donations for: laundry soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, dish soap, etc. Please pray, sign up for a gift, or a monetary donation for these 10 families.



Drop off times will be **Sundays, December 3rd and 10th** before or after church service in the narthex. The last and final drop off is **Tuesday, December 12th from 6-7:30 pm.**

Click on the link below to find the SignUp Genius. All gifts should have their family numbers on them (ex: 12-1 or 12-4) and all adult gifts should be wrapped.

Any questions, contact Kim Wortz @ kimw1517@gmail.com or 952-457-9253. Thank you and God Bless! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094EA5AF2BA75-46100244-friends>

THANKYOU!

Thank you to all those who came and helped for the church clean-up day on November 18th. Here are pictures of some of the Light of Christ volunteers.



The congregation members are invited to help the confirmation classes in their Toilet Paper Drive. The toilet tissue will be given out to our Nourishing Hope guests at the December 11th distribution. The guests will receive a grocery sack with 4 rolls of toilet paper. Any size of package will be welcomed. Donations can be placed in the box in the narthex. **THANK YOU** for helping meet this need.

Ready For a Mission Trip?

Whether our thrift store visitors are shoppers, families connected with us, or individuals seeking help--all are valued and loved by God. You can be on a mission trip here in our communities through our Love INC Heartland Thrift Stores. Join our thrift store crew today: bit.ly/loveincvolunteer



Stock The Christmas Store - Love INC Heartland

Health issues, job loss, and single parenting can prevent our families from being able to embrace Christmas. Our partnership with WestPointe provides a worry-free way for families to pick and wrap Christmas gifts. Help stock the Christmas Store--we especially need gifts for teenagers. View ideas here: bit.ly/christmasstore23 Drop off donations on Friday, December 8, at WestPointe Church in Delano from 10am-4 pm. Questions? Contact help@loveincheartland.org or call 763-972-6547.



Please join Sisters of LOC for a Christmas craft night on Tuesday, **November 28th** at 6:30 pm at Lupine Brewery. Use the QR code above to sign up and pick one of four craft options.

Carols & Sips

Mark your calendars for this fun Holiday night with other LOC members. Sunday, December 3rd at 5:00 pm, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a night of singing Christmas carols, fellowship, dinner and drinks. We're still working out details on the dinner but it will be approximately \$25 per person payable the night of the event. It will include, dinner, drinks, and dessert. Wear your fun Christmas colors and join us for a night together celebrating the birth of our Savior. **Please RSVP to Jennifer Grant 612.226.8181 or Carrie Klinkner 763.458.3338 by TODAY, Nov. 27th.** Please include drink preference, alcoholic (wine or beer) or non-alcoholic drink, and if you have special dietary requirements.


A photograph of three lit purple candles in a holder, with greenery and white lights in the background.

The Season of Advent Is Upon Us!

Below is our schedule for the upcoming Advent/Christmas worship services:

- ⇒ **12/3:** Lessons & Carols, 9 am
- ⇒ **12/10:** Advent II with sung liturgy, 9 am
- ⇒ **12/17:** Children's Christmas Program, 9 am
- ⇒ **12/24:** 2, 4, 10 pm Christmas Eve Services

Online Christmas Devotions

Start your week off with a musical devotion! Beginning November 27th, our Worship and Music Director, Katie Anne Kohler, will share musical devotions featuring our favorite Christmas carols. Videos will be posted to our Light of Christ Worship Services page each Monday. You can find the link

here <https://youtube.com/@lightofchristworship-services6861?si=rLmYMIReX2eL6cJH>

Please note, this is different from the Light of Christ Devotions YouTube page we were using before. We are in the process of merging the two!



Christmas Ornaments

The Worship and Music Committee would like to offer everyone the opportunity to purchase ornaments this Christmas season in honor or in memory of loved ones. All ornaments will be placed on the Christmas tree in the Narthex until after Christmas Eve, unless you wish to take yours home right away. Suggested amount for purchase is \$10. All funds will go toward another live-



stream camera so we can continue improving our online services! We will have a table set up in the Narthex for purchasing through **December 17th**. If paying by check, please make payable to *Light of Christ* and note **Christmas Ornaments** in the memo. Thank you and Merry Christmas!



Mark your calendars! Light of Christ's annual service of Lessons and Carols is **December 3rd** at 9:00 am. Come hear the Christ story alongside joyful music featuring all Light of Christ musicians. We can't wait for this musical celebration!

Ministry Site Profile Forum with Bishop Ann



Following worship on **Sunday, Dec. 10th** there will be a forum with Bishop Ann Svennungsen to discuss the Ministry Site Profile that has been created by the Transition Team. We hope you can stay for the forum!



MEETING MINUTES

Stay Informed!

The current Church Council meeting minutes can be found on the [church website](#).

Worship Time Changing

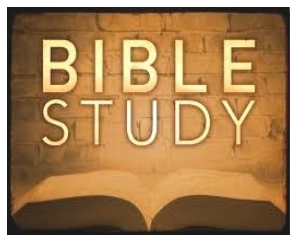
Per recommendation of the Worship and Music Committee, Church Council has approved a worship time change to **9:30 am beginning January 7th**. We will worship at this time through May and will evaluate before the summer.



Tough Questions for 21st Century Christians

Pastor Bruce will be leading a Bible study on the tough questions that we face as 21st century Christians today. We will take up questions like these: where is God when innocent people suffer and even die? How do I believe in both the biblical accounts of creation and the scientific evidence for evolution? Did Christ die to save all people--across the continents and across the centuries-- or only some people? Did God really create more than one race--the human race? What kind of marriages does God bless?

We will meet on the **first and third Tuesdays** of the month in the Living Room from 7:45 - 8:45 pm. There is no need to register ahead of time. Just come as you are. There will be time for checking in, praying, conversation, and a biblical/theological presentation by



Pastor Bruce. The presentation will be recorded and posted on the Light of Christ website for those who can't participate in person. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Bruce with any questions you may have.

2024 Offering Envelopes

If you requested preprinted 2024 offering envelopes, (or did not opt out) they are now available to be picked up in the narthex.



2024 Pledges & Online Giving

If you need to change your automatic contribution amount due to your 2024 pledge, please log in to your [MyVanco account](#) or contact Terri in the church office to make the change. Your pledge card does not authorize the church to make these changes.

You might find it helpful to [watch this video](#), which will walk you through the steps to cancel your current transaction and then create a new transaction. Please contact Terri in the church office if you have any questions.

You are encouraged to still make your 2024 pledge if you haven't already done so. Pledge cards can be found at the usher station or in the church office.



Supporting Light of Christ and our Mission is as easy as 1-2-3.

With Vanco Mobile (our online giving app) you can express your generosity in the moment—right from the palm of your hand.

- 1) Download the app in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
- 2) Search for **Light of Christ Lutheran Church-Delano**
- 3) Make contributions and pay registration fees

Or, you can easily access our online giving page by scanning this QR code or by going to the [church website](#) Give page.





Confirmation Corner

Here is the upcoming Confirmation schedule (all nights are 6:30-8:00 pm unless noted otherwise):

- **November 29** = Content Night (last night of toilet paper grade level competition)
- **Friday, December 8** = Friday Night Lights (7-10 pm)
- **December 6** = Service Event (rotate between Love INC & Food Shelf – more details coming soon)
- **Sunday, December 10** = last day to bring toilet paper for Nourishing Hope TP Drive
- **December 13** = Service Event (rotate between Love INC & Food Shelf – more details coming soon)
- **December 20** = Christmas Party!

December Birthdays

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| Will | Brown | December 01 |
| Doug | Ludwig | December 01 |
| Cody | Anderson | December 02 |
| Brianna | Goldbeck | December 02 |
| Angie | Green | December 02 |
| Sophie | Kopperud | December 02 |
| Steffany | Truax | December 02 |
| Jenny | Gallagher | December 04 |
| Kevin | Jaunich | December 04 |
| Isabelle | Nee | December 05 |
| Laila | Trible | December 06 |
| Lisa | Krause | December 07 |
| Jonathan | Ness | December 07 |
| Kohlton | Beck | December 08 |
| | Curtis- | |
| Jerried | Torgerson | December 09 |
| Jinnelle | Weis | December 09 |
| Fred | Caslavka | December 10 |
| Edie | Droneck | December 10 |
| Brayden | Gross | December 10 |
| Ryan | Zerull | December 10 |
| Max | Wiyninger | December 11 |
| David | Boecker | December 12 |
| Stuart | Dallmann | December 12 |
| Emme | Finkelson | December 12 |
| Alex | Kelly | December 12 |
| Karolyn | Thompson | December 12 |
| Kailyn | Warne | December 12 |
| Kellan | Emmer | December 13 |
| Ginny | Iverson | December 13 |
| Darla | Stabnow | December 13 |
| Brooks | Hiltner | December 14 |
| Kevin | Noetzelman | December 14 |
| Evalyn | Green | December 15 |
| Luke | Jeseritz | December 15 |
| Loree | Kinney | December 15 |
| James | Sprengeler | December 15 |
| Lauren | Bersie | December 16 |
| Luke | Borman | December 16 |
| Daniel | Haley | December 16 |
| Tom | Klason | December 16 |
| Elyn | Stahlke | December 16 |
| Addy | Wissink | December 16 |
| Tammy | Allison | December 17 |
| Julie | Bernick | December 17 |
| Peter | Froehle | December 17 |
| Jack | Nelson | December 17 |
| Paul | Nelson | December 17 |
| Aniston | Klaphake | December 18 |

Do you remember when we used to list members' birthdays in the Beacon? Community Life wants to bring this back! Next Sunday, December 3rd after 9:00 am worship, we will have birthday treats to celebrate December, January, & February birthdays! We will continue to celebrate birthdays quarterly so everyone's birthday will be acknowledged. Don't forget to wish someone a *Happy Birthday* this quarter! For those celebrating, may blessings be upon you and let faith guide your heart all year. We hope your birthday is one of joy, peace, and love.

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| Kim | Minkel | December 18 |
| Erica | Cederberg | December 19 |
| Carson | Halbersma | December 19 |
| Charlie | Macks | December 19 |
| Mia | Macks | December 19 |
| Kylie | Strobl | December 19 |
| Lee | Ashfeld | December 20 |
| Lisa | Schmit | December 20 |
| Randy | Hemmer | December 21 |
| Nolan | Beyer | December 22 |
| Sam | Brown | December 22 |
| Jason | Gabrick | December 24 |
| Rob | Geistfeld | December 24 |
| Kelly | Harstad | December 24 |
| Alec | Andreasen | December 25 |
| Penelope | Jaunich | December 25 |
| Connie | Olson | December 25 |
| Holly | Sprengeler | December 25 |
| Kaitlyn | Pink | December 26 |
| Timothy | Underhill | December 26 |
| Logan | Bistodeau | December 27 |
| Oda | Carlson | December 27 |
| Cameron | Prickett | December 27 |
| Hunter | Ulferts | December 27 |
| Mel | Bernick | December 28 |
| Stacie | Engel | December 28 |
| Pete | Krebsbach | December 28 |
| Michael | Pavlovich | December 28 |
| Pat | Czock | December 29 |
| Jon | Holzer | December 29 |
| Nate | Peterson | December 29 |
| Robert | Schaust | December 29 |
| Grace | Ulberg | December 29 |
| Henry | Ulberg | December 29 |
| Samantha | Dornfeld | December 30 |
| Roxie | Albers | December 31 |
| Rick | Haley | December 31 |
| Jack | Russell | December 31 |
| Elizabeth | Sievers | December 31 |
| Sally | Torfin | December 31 |



January Birthdays

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| Dennis | Iverson | January 01 |
| Paulette | Podratz | January 01 |
| Eva | Dinger | January 02 |
| Carli | Russenberger | January 02 |
| Jenna | Untiedt | January 02 |
| Ella | Dallmann | January 04 |
| Ben | Graunke | January 04 |
| Cory | Cederberg | January 05 |
| Jamie | Holzer | January 05 |
| Calli | Cederberg | January 06 |
| Steven | Dickey | January 06 |
| Kelly | Froehle | January 06 |
| Laurie | Grimm | January 06 |
| Jill | Johnson | January 06 |
| Jeffrey | Rubertus | January 06 |
| Sydney | Sinnott | January 07 |
| Kira | Thompson | January 08 |
| Sarah | Zerull | January 08 |
| Sherri | Rubertus | January 09 |
| Sharon | Sebelien | January 09 |
| Reed | Graunke | January 10 |
| Chris | Meyers | January 10 |
| Boden | Rosaaen | January 11 |
| Christopher | Lotzer | January 12 |
| Maggie | Thomas | January 12 |
| Scott | Bassett | January 13 |
| Mollie | Lohmann | January 13 |
| Sharon | McKisson | January 13 |
| Ryan | Schaust | January 13 |
| Karen | Gast | January 14 |
| Laura | Jaunich | January 14 |
| Everett | Henson | January 15 |
| Willie | Magner | January 15 |
| Zachary | Bigot | January 16 |
| David | Rosaaen | January 17 |
| Gracia | Macks | January 18 |
| Patricia | Williams | January 18 |
| Benjamin | Raskin | January 19 |
| Kelly | Peterson | January 20 |
| Sarah | Ulferts | January 20 |
| JoMarie | Williamson | January 20 |
| Derek | VanCura | January 21 |
| Hogan | Williams | January 21 |
| Emily | Kutzler | January 23 |
| Tracy | Magner | January 23 |
| Zachariah | Quamen | January 23 |
| Katie | Horeis | January 24 |
| Greg | Thorstad | January 24 |

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| Nick | Vatnsdal | January 25 |
| Jarrett | Lundquist | January 27 |
| Becky | Schaust | January 27 |
| Holly | Caple | January 28 |
| Jill | Radermacher | January 28 |
| Nathan | Knisley | January 30 |
| Candace | Mielke | January 30 |
| Kevin | Mikkelsen | January 30 |
| Julie | Strobl | January 30 |
| Adelyn | Jeseritz | January 31 |
| Ashlynn | Kley | January 31 |
| Gina | Nee | January 31 |
| David | Nelson | January 31 |
| Emily | Olson | January 31 |
| Gunnar | Paulson | January 31 |
| Melissa | Ulberg | January 31 |
| Aaron | VanCura | January 31 |



February Birthdays

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| Tom | Sebelien | February 01 | Andrew | Palan | February 18 |
| Thelma | Estby | February 02 | Grace | Popp | February 19 |
| Josh | Hiltner | February 02 | Caleb | Hanson | February 20 |
| Barb | Russell | February 02 | Jerry | Podratz | February 20 |
| Megan | Wiyninger | February 02 | Lucas | Truax | February 20 |
| Donald | Anderson | February 03 | Lauren | Froehle | February 21 |
| Michael | Boyack | February 03 | Michael | McAdam | February 21 |
| Greg | Hinker | February 03 | Duncan | Bistodeau | February 22 |
| Brandon | Janike | February 03 | Jackson | Miller | February 22 |
| Cooper | Reuter | February 04 | Jack | Paulson | February 22 |
| Samantha | Tribble | February 04 | Vayda | Streich | February 22 |
| Patricia | Krebsbach | February 05 | Lori | Vatnsdal | February 22 |
| Natalie | McClelland | February 05 | Austin | Dickey | February 23 |
| Scott | Olson | February 05 | Natalie | Holmer | February 23 |
| Ella | Wray | February 05 | Cooper | Trettin | February 23 |
| Andrea | Janike | February 06 | Mary Ann | McKay | February 24 |
| David | Allen | February 07 | Madison | Motzko | February 24 |
| Logan | Dickey | February 07 | Mary | Robinson | February 24 |
| Steven | Farniok | February 07 | Autumn | Ulferts | February 24 |
| Laura | Myhre | February 07 | Kylee | Heinzen | February 25 |
| Lori | Prickett | February 07 | Kara | Larson | February 25 |
| Bruce | Kuenzel | February 08 | Caleb | Checkal | February 26 |
| Alicia | Pink | February 08 | Harry | Grant | February 26 |
| Beata | Zerull | February 08 | Rilynn | Peterson | February 26 |
| Sally | Prinsen | February 09 | Lori | Checkal | February 27 |
| Anna | Schleper | February 09 | Melanie | Gross | February 27 |
| Jennifer | Sprengeler | February 09 | Haley | Kuechle | February 27 |
| Sandy | Hartin | February 10 | Noah | Lind | February 27 |
| Sandy | Parpart | February 10 | Andrew | Rosaaen | February 27 |
| Kurt | Radermacher | February 10 | Braeden | Collings | February 28 |
| Olyvia | Stahlke | February 10 | | | |
| Ava | Wiyninger | February 10 | | | |
| Bonnie | Czanstkowski | February 11 | | | |
| Tony | Trettin | February 11 | | | |
| Lori | Anderson | February 13 | | | |
| Amy | Bigot | February 13 | | | |
| Ellie | Chock | February 15 | | | |
| Don | Collins | February 15 | | | |
| Ashlynn | Wortz | February 15 | | | |
| Belinda | Krysan | February 16 | | | |
| Ellie | Loux | February 16 | | | |
| Gavin | Popp | February 16 | | | |
| Isaac | Quandt | February 16 | | | |
| Wendy | Kohls | February 17 | | | |
| Laura | Lundquist | February 17 | | | |
| Michael | Wray | February 17 | | | |
| Paul | Ludwig | February 18 | | | |
| Michael | Mielke | February 18 | | | |

