



**This Week at Christ Lutheran Church  
December 29, 2019 – January 5, 2020**

**Today – December 29**

- 9:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 10:00 a.m. Service of Lessons and Carols
- 11:00 a.m. Sudanese Action Team Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship Service
- 2:00 p.m. Private Event – Park (Ed wing, kitchen)

**Tuesday – December 31**

- 10:00 a.m. Branch Submission Deadline

**Wednesday – January 1**



**Thursday – January 2**

- 7:00 p.m. Wyoming GA

**Sunday – January 5**

- 8:00 a.m. First Sunday Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study
- 10:20 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 1:00 p.m. South Sudanese Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Mosaic
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

**Last Week's Response:**

Attendance on Sunday, December 22:

9:00 a.m. – 118    11:15 a.m. – 104

Longest Night Service (12/21): 23

Christmas Eve:

5:00 p.m. – 130    7:00 p.m. – 216    10:00 p.m. 57

**Serving Our Congregation  
Next Sunday: January 5, 2020**

**Council:**

- 9:00 a.m. Vicki Blubaugh
- 11:15 a.m. Bill Houseknecht

**Altar Guild:**

- 9:00 a.m. Schedule not available
- 11:15 a.m. Schedule not available

**Bread Baker:** Schedule not available

**Welcome Center:**

- 9:00 a.m. Amy Kool
- 11:15 a.m. Bev Tillman

**Acolyte:**

- 9:00 a.m. Addie Huston
- 11:15 a.m. Kylie Sheldon

**Worship Assistant:**

- 9:00 a.m. Brian Crane
- 11:15 a.m. Steve Green

**Coffee Servers:**

- 9:00 a.m. Chris & Kimberly Boes
- 11:15 a.m. Keith & Jackie Koehler

**Ushers:**

- 9:00 a.m. John & Mary DeHerrera, Curt Johnson, Brian Crane
- 11:15 a.m. Ken Lundquist, Rob & Nora Paulson, Ray Panches

**Communion Assistants:**

- 9:00 a.m. Schedule not available
- 11:15 a.m. Schedule not available

**Readers:**

- 9:00 a.m. Ray Hjelt
- 11:15 a.m. Mike Evele

**Nursery:**

- 9:00 a.m. Schedule not available
- 11:15 a.m. Schedule not available

**Greeters:**

- 9:00 a.m. Schedule not available
- 11:15 a.m. Schedule not available

**Counters:** Jeff Emrich, Tim Laurent

**Sprouts Teachers:** Sheldon Family

**Video Operator:**

- 9:00 a.m. Whitney VanGessel
- 11:15 a.m. Jon Killgore

**Sound Board:**

- 9:00 a.m. Bob Ortego
- 11:15 a.m. Mike Siebelink

# Weekly Prayer Requests

*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12*

## Prayer Requests for the Week of December 22

- Prayers of healing for Don Siebelink who is in ICU with a lung infection.
- Pray that Sarah can find a place in a long term care facility to help with her ongoing MS complications.
- Prayers of healing & strength for Grayson Knappen who is being treated in the hospital.
- Prayers of health & healing for Gabe who needs a heart transplant.
- Prayers of comfort for the family and friends of Gary Leech who passed away Dec. 21.
- Prayers of healing & comfort for Sarah who struggles with being in the hospital due to complications from MS.
- Prayers of healing for 3-month-old Jamison VanZee who is waiting for a heart transplant.
- Prayers of comfort for Rebecca who mourns the loss of her sister in Pakistan.
- Prayers of healing for Dwight Boerema who recently had a stroke.
- Prayers of healing for Peter Stavros who had extensive mouth surgery after an accident.

## Prayer Requests for the Week of December 15

- Prayers of healing for Doug Seelye who is starting therapy at Mary Free Bed 2 weeks after having a stroke and 1 week after brain surgery.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for Curt Johnson who is celebrating his birthday this week.
- Prayers of healing for Marie Stavros who is having a very slow recovery.
- Prayers of healing for 5-year-old Jared who cannot seem to feel good.
- Pray for a clean biopsy for Danis Brown.
- Prayers of healing for Sylvia, Jim, Jeri and all who are fighting cancer.

## Pray for Those Serving in the Military

- Cole Moore, nephew of Jim and Jane Ward
- Jeff McCullough
- Hayden Gort, grandson of Larry and Joan Gort
- Cody Westbrook, grandson of David Barrenger
- DJ Ardy, CLC member, son of Doug & Angie and grandson of Fred & Marcia Nichols, who is serving in the Marines
- Seth Dewey, grandson of Bud and Cherie Bronson, who is serving in the Marines
- Sergeant Kayla Champaco (granddaughter of Dale & Kay Siebelink, niece of Mike & Kim Siebelink) who is stationed in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky
- Sean & Ashley Toomey, friends of the June family (active duty)

*\*\*\*If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office (532-2774 or [office@clcwoming.org](mailto:office@clcwoming.org)) by Friday at 10:00 a.m. to have your request printed in this portion of Sunday's announcements.*

*Of course, you can let the Pastor or the church office know at any time that you would like prayers for someone.*



Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God  
by Muriel Andrews in celebration of  
Janet's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## *A Prayer for the New Year*

Lord,  
Whether I leave behind  
a year of joy or of trials and difficulties,

I pause to *give thanks*.  
Thank you for being with me  
every day of every year.

Thank you for making all things **new**  
and for giving me the grace of  
fresh starts

and *new beginnings*.  
Remind me of your presence in the days to  
come,  
even when I feel pushed and rushed by  
busyness.

**Be glorified in my life this year.**

*-Amar-*

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## Upcoming Events & Activities

**Just a Reminder** that there is no Sunday School, Confirmation or Mosaic this Sunday. We will resume all activities again next Sunday, January 5. Also, please be advised that we will NOT have Confirmation or Mosaic on Sunday, January 19, due to the bowling event that we hope you all will attend.

**Branch Deadline:** If you plan to submit an article, pictures of an event, news of new events, etc. for the January Branch, please do so by Tuesday, December 31, at 10:00 AM. Send items to [office@clcwyoing.org](mailto:office@clcwyoing.org).

**Laugh, Love 'n Lunch:** We will meet on January 7 at Anna's House, 3766 Potomac Circle SW, Grandville. Join us for a "get out of the house" lunch at 11:30 a.m. We're looking forward to seeing you! RSVP to Marilyn Miheve ([mimiheve@gmail.com](mailto:mimiheve@gmail.com)) or Dianne Vissers ([diannevissers@gmail.com](mailto:diannevissers@gmail.com)).

**Ahava – January 9, 2020:** Ahava is a ministry for parents of LGBTQIA kids of all ages in Grand Rapids area ELCA congregations. So far, the group includes parents from Christ, Trinity and Zion Lutheran, led by parent Corina Dulecki of Trinity Lutheran, who is a licensed social worker and mother of an LGBTQIA child. Our next meeting is Thursday, January 9, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church. Parents of LGBTQIA kids are invited to come for sharing, conversation and devotions. For information: go to: <https://www.facebook.com/Ahava-An-ELCA-Ministry-for-Families-of-Lgbtqia-Children>

**We Are Going Bowling!** Join us on Sunday, January 19, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Spectrum Lanes in Wyoming. We will have two hours of bowling, three large pizzas for every 10 people to share and all you can drink soda. Plus there will be prizes for high score, low score and some fun door prizes. This is an event for the entire congregation!! We hope many of you will come and join us and spend time having some fun together as a family of faith! Cost is \$15 per person. If you need any financial assistance, please let Suzanne Snider know - there are funds to help cover the cost. If you would be willing to carpool with someone who might not be able to drive, or are someone who needs a ride, please make sure to indicate that on the signup sheet in the Gathering Space. Sign-ups and money are due by January 12. We hope to see you there!

**Confirmation Families:** The Charge Retreat is happening March 20-22, 2020, at Great Wolf Lodge in Traverse City. We are asking for \$50 per student plus the cost of food (which historically is less than \$25) for the weekend. This money will not be due until March. If your child is planning on attending, please fill out a GREEN form from the Youth table and turn it in to Suzanne Snider no later than January 12. Two additional chaperones are also needed to help with driving and supervision that weekend. If you are interested, please contact Suzanne Snider ASAP.

## Everything Else You Need To Know

**Winter Weather Cancellation Policy:** Now that we are in the cold and wintery season, weather may dictate conditions which could require a closure, cancelling services or activities. If the weather seems fierce, check WXMI (Fox 17), WZZM 13, or WOOD TV 8 for a notice of closing, since they are the stations we have authorized for such notices. Hopefully it is something we won't have to do this winter, but if conditions warrant, this becomes the means to communicate when necessary.

**Please remember:** since conditions vary in different areas, each member should determine if changing conditions, icy roads or the prospect of worsening conditions require staying home rather than risking a trip to church. Your safety is of utmost importance!

**Personal Care Pantry:** We are blessed to be able to help so many families each month but are struggling with getting enough donations, both products and money. Please prayerfully consider donating to this amazing ministry, which is run totally on donations!!! ALL of these items are needed and can be place in the collection box behind the Welcome Center: shampoo & conditioner, bar soap, dish soap, Kleenex, paper towel, toothpaste, toilet paper (double roll), laundry detergent, and fabric softener.

**Gladiola School:** An ongoing project for Gladiola School is collecting box tops. There are two types of coupons we are collecting: “Box Tops for Education” from General Mills and more brands and “Family Rewards” from Kellogg’s. You will find a container for these coupons on the countertops where you grab a cup of coffee and a snack on Sunday mornings.

**Are You a Spartan Store Shopper?** If you shop at any of the many Spartan stores in the area, please consider keeping your receipts and turning them in to CLC. They have a program set up so we can turn in receipts and earn money back if we reach a specified amount. We would like to turn those in to raise additional funds throughout the year for the Youth and Family programs. A basket will be out at the Welcome Center where you may turn receipts in each week. That’s all you need to do! Thanks for your support!

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**Share Your CLC Event Pictures:**

(please include a brief description – group, date, etc.)

Email: [pictures@clcwyo.org](mailto:pictures@clcwyo.org)