

# Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church!

Announcements for February 13, 2022

## **This Week at Christ Lutheran Church February 13-February 20**

### **Today - February 13**

10:00 a.m. Indoor and Parking lot Worship,  
Sunday School during service  
7:00 p.m. Mosaic

### **Monday - February 14**

1:00 p.m. Women of the Word Bible Study  
4:00 pm. Personal Care Pantry

### **Tuesday -February 15**

6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meeting

### **Wednesday - February 16**

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting via Zoom  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Pastor Ferra Office Hours  
6:30 Evangelism Meeting

### **Thursday - February 17**

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Pastor Ferra Office Hours  
7:00 Adult Choir Practice  
7:00 Mission Support Meeting

### **Sunday - February 20**

10:00 a.m. Indoor and Parking lot Worship  
7:00 p.m. Mosaic

## **Serving Our Congregation Next Sunday: February 20, 2022**

### **Council:**

Jennifer Miller

### **Worship Assistant:**

Curt Johnson

### **Communion Assistants:**

Suzanne Snider, Aimee Paulson

### **Ushers:**

Diane Vissers, Rich Neubecker,  
Dave and Lisa Harris

### **Altar Guild:**

Open Position

### **Greeters:**

Lisa and Mark Barnes

### **Counters:**

Ron Sabin, Pete VanGessel

### **Video Operators:**

Michael Miller

### **Sound Board:**

Gary Sironen

### **Slides:**

Lynn Vecziendins

### **Coffee Servers:**

Harry and Annette Wendland

## WEEKLY Prayer Requests

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

### **Prayer Requests for the Week of February 6:**

- Prayers for comfort and healing for Pat Girand who has stage 4 cancer.
- Prayers for Curt Johnson's brother who has Covid and is on a ventilator.
- Prayers for Cathy Reister's daughter, Barb, who has been fighting Covid since the first of January and now has pneumonia.
- Prayers for healing for Denise Sironen's friend, Susan, who faces a number of medical challenges.
- Prayers for Aaron Stek who is fighting cancer.
- Prayers for recovery from complications after surgery for Dawn.

### **Prayer Requests for the Week of January 30:**

- Prayers for Sue Clark's sons Howard and Tom and her sister Karen.
- Prayers for Emauel for healing.
- Prayers for Terri St John and her family as she travels to North Carolina.
- Prayers for the choir to be able to sing soon.
- Prayers for Marilyn Miheve whose sister passed this week.

### **Pray for Those Serving in the Military**

- Cole Moore, Jane Ward's nephew, who is serving in the Marines.
- Tom St John serving in the Army in Jordan.

*\*\*\*If you or a friend/family member would like to be remembered in prayer, please contact the church office (532-2774 or [office@clcwyo.org](mailto:office@clcwyo.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.*

### **Last week's Responses:**

Attendance on Sunday, January 30:  
In Person 49, Online –YouTube 88, Facebook 88

## Everything else you need to know

**Reopening Worship:** The Reopening Worship Action Team and Council has approved that the church lifts the current restrictions that were put into place January 9 and return to the level of activity we were at prior. Covid numbers are significantly lower than they were when the January 9 restrictions went into effect. With that being said **Masks are highly recommended but not required.** Masks are going to be required for those people who are serving the congregation while they are working/volunteering and unable to physically distance themselves. If you are sick, we ask you to worship from home. If you do get Covid while being at church, please contact the church office.

### **Commemorations:**

**Martin Luther- Monday, Feb 18**

**Martin Luther, renewer of the church, died 1546**

Though he began his adult church life as a simple Augustinian monk, Luther challenged the abuses he saw in the church, and his work eventually led to the Protestant Reformation. Luther's accomplishments included liturgical reform, translation of the Bible, and creation of the Small and Large Catechisms.

**Temporary Office Hours for February:** These hours might change frequently, so please call the office before coming in.

Monday: 10a-1p

Tuesday: 9a-1p

Wednesday: 10a-3p

Thursday: 9a-3p

Friday: Closed

**Bulletin, Announcement, and Branch Deadlines:** Weekly announcements are printed on Friday mornings. The deadline to submit information is 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday unless specifically posted. The deadline to submit Branch articles is the 22nd of every month.

### **God's Love in Our Hearts:**

For this month of February the Evangelism Committee is inviting all of us to participate in raising our awareness of where we see God's love around us. We are asking everyone to be aware during your weekly activities of something that touches your heart—a thought, an event, an interaction. Bring that thought each Sunday to church and print it on a paper heart that will be in the Worship bulletin for those who attend in person. For those who participate online, send in your thoughts by using the chat feature or emailing [evangelism@clcwyo.org](mailto:evangelism@clcwyo.org) and we will write out the heart shape for you. You do not have to put your name on it. These paper hearts will be displayed in our gathering space. Some might be photographed and shared in the slides before each Sunday service in February. Bring new observations each week. Let's paper the walls with uplifting words of love and encouragement.

**Dear Church Bible Study:** On Thursday evenings (beginning March 3 from 6-7 PM) Nicholas Hopkins, CLC's Minister of Music, will be leading a book study exploring Dear Church. The author, Lenny Duncan is a black preacher in the ELCA. Join us as we discuss Pastor Duncan's bold new vision of renewal, racial equality, and justice for the future of the ELCA and the broader mainline Christian community. You may sign up in the gathering space this week and next or by contacting me by email at [tara@clcwyo.org](mailto:tara@clcwyo.org) by February 20. We will order the books and have them available for distribution on Sunday, February 27. We will be reading and discussing one chapter at a time. Please note, this book club is "rated mature" due to the author's colorful language.

**Women's Retreat:** Women's Retreat is planned for Friday March 18 from 6-9:30pm and Saturday March 19 from roughly 8:30am to 4pm. Cost will be \$20 per person and will include all materials, snacks Friday night, and lunch on Saturday. We welcome all (bring friends!!) who would like to join us in our exploration of God's love and wonder through the world and the wonders we carry as women in our hearts. If cost is a barrier to you coming, please contact Suzanne Snider at [tihanyisuz@aol.com](mailto:tihanyisuz@aol.com) and let me know. We want everyone who wishes to take part to be able to! Sign ups begin this Sunday, February 13 and will run through Wednesday, March 9. If you would like to register from home, please send an email to the above listed address and we will make arrangements for you to do so! Looking forward to this renewal of relationships with our sisters in Christ and with Jesus Christ himself.

**Sudanese Action Team:** We will be having a Sudanese Action Team Meeting this Sunday, February 13 after service (approximately 11:15). If you are interested in what is happening in our South Sudanese Congregation and how we can better support them, please come join us and lend us your ears, mind and voice!! We will meet in the choir room.

**Season of Lent:** The season of Lent will soon be upon us!! Look for a great hands-on opportunity for your family and our church family to come together to support communities around the world coming soon!

**Bell Ringers Needed:** I will be leading a handbell choir to ring on Sundays March 20 and Easter. At present only 5 people have signed up to ring for the first session. The three rehearsals for March 20 will be Mondays, February 28, March 7 and March 14 at 7 p.m. The rehearsals for Easter Sunday will be March, 28, April 4 and April 11. Sign up for either or both sessions. Please respond soon, as I need to choose music and assign parts. Marilyn Burgard

**Council person needed:** Council is looking to fill a vacant spot on our current council as a council member has stepped down. Council is a great way to get involved at church. If this is something that would interest you and would like more information, please reach out to our Council President, Whitney VanGessel at [president@clcwyoming.org](mailto:president@clcwyoming.org) Thank you!

**Gladiola School:** We will continue collecting warm children's outdoor gear into February. The big box in the narthex reminds us that they especially need kids' snow pants, boots/shoes, gloves, and sox. They could certainly use personal water bottles as well. Thank you so very much for your support and kindness! Nan Larson

**"Blessed are you who hunger now"** (Luke 6:21)

We can be a part of God's blessing by donating food for the hungry. One way is through Family Network where those in our extended neighborhood can get relief for their physical hunger. *Mac & Cheese boxes, peanut butter, canned meat w/pull tabs, ready to eat cereal, snack bars, canned beans, canned vegetables, pasta, and pasta sauce.* There is a red box in the hall by the office where you can put your donations and share your blessings.

**Mosaic:** Mosaic and college aged students will be going to another Escape room February 27<sup>th</sup> about 2 p.m. (exact time will be announced later). The cost is \$10 per person. We will be participating in a harder room since we cracked the codes so fast the last time! Please let Tara know if you are interested([tara@clcwyoming.org](mailto:tara@clcwyoming.org)).

**First Communion:** First Communion Classes are starting February 27. Anyone in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or younger (or if you missed it) are welcome to take part in this new curriculum. If you think your child is ready for first communion, please let Tara know ([tara@clcwyoming.org](mailto:tara@clcwyoming.org)) so we can get you more information and the materials.

**Sunday School:** Sunday school teachers and 2 helpers are needed for each session. We need at least one adult over 21 and one helper who is confirmation age or above. Sunday school will be held during the service on the first two Sundays of each month. Tara has dates for you to sign up. Please contact her ([tara@clcwyoming.org](mailto:tara@clcwyoming.org)).

**Sunday school dates available with the theme for the day:**

February 13<sup>th</sup> (Adam and Eve), March 6<sup>th</sup> (Noah's Ark), March 13<sup>th</sup> (Noah's Ark).

**Stay Connected:** CLC has a **YouTube Channel**. There is a link on our website [www.clcwyoming.org](http://www.clcwyoming.org) that you can use to subscribe, however you don't need to subscribe to see the messages. We also have a private Facebook page called **CLC Friends**, where you can stay connected with others from CLC. Search CLC Friends and request to be a member; we will get you connected. You can watch the live stream service by following this link. <https://www.youtube.com/c/ChristLutheranChurchWyoming/videos>

## Contact Information for Christ Lutheran Church Office and Staff

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