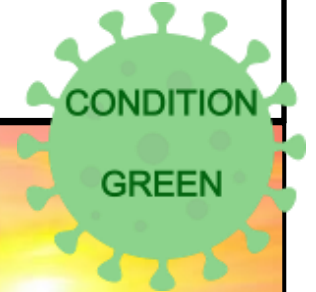


***Our Mission:** Light of Christ Ecumenical Catholic Community is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community for all who, following the teachings and example of Jesus Christ, seek compassion, justice and peace in the world. We seek to live our faith through liturgy and prayer, community building and collaboration, study and service.*

All Are Welcome!



5th week of Easter

May 6, 2023



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Happenings and announcements

- **Church Spring Clean-up:** Light of Christ and Bethlehem Lutheran are having a church clean-up on **Saturday, May 6th**, starting at **9am**. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in helping, a **sign-up sheet** is posted in the **Narthex** on the **BL side**.
- **Drum Concert and Circle: Bethlehem Lutheran** and the Friends of Community Drums and are holding a free concert and drum circle on **Sunday, May 7** at **4pm**. Donations will be accepted to support the afterschool food and fun program.
- **Save the Date - Graduation Blessing:** Light of Christ will be blessing our graduates on **May 27th** during Mass. If you are graduating from any educational program this year- High school, technical school college or any other program, please contact the Church Office as we'd love to celebrate with you!
- **HELP WANTED:** Dear LOC, this is Teri. The Leadership Council of the ECC will be in Colorado for a weekend in September to plan the ECC Holy Synod of 2024. There are 7 members of the Leadership Council, and I have volunteered to "house" them. I am looking for folks with an extra bedroom, and time to help get people to and from the airport **Friday September 22nd** through **Sunday September 24th**. If you would like to help me with this hospitality ministry, please let me know as soon as possible by email (pastor@lightofchristecc.org) or text. Thank you.

Weekly Events

Sunday (May 7)

4pm - Drum Concert (stable)

Tuesday (May 9)

10 am - Scripture reading (FB Live)

6 pm - Parish Council

Wednesday (May 10)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

Thursday (May 11)

11 am - 11th Hour Bell-ringing

7 pm - Men's Group (Hybrid/Zoom)

Saturday (May 13)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

What is Greenwashing?

In 2009, Volkswagen launched a wide-reaching marketing campaign to promote its “clean diesel” cars. Across print and televised ads, including in one prime-time Super Bowl commercial, the automaker touted a drastic reduction in the tailpipe emissions of its new VW and Audi models. “Green has never felt so right,” the Audi commercial bragged.

But a few years later, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) discovered that Volkswagen had installed software allowing it to cheat emissions tests for 11 million of its vehicles. The automaker’s so-called clean diesel cars actually produced nitrogen oxide emissions up to 40 times the legal limit. The resulting “Dieselgate” scandal marked one of the most notorious

examples to date of deceptive environmental marketing—a phenomenon known as greenwashing—and ultimately cost Volkswagen nearly \$40 billion.

Greenwashing is the act of making false or misleading statements about the environmental benefits of a product or practice.

This Audi example was notorious and consequential. Greenwashing, however, is often far less sensational than in the Audi example above—and far harder to spot. We regularly encounter misleading sustainability claims on packaging for our everyday household items but also in, say, so-called sustainability initiatives promoted by major corporations. Given how urgent the climate, biodiversity, and public health crises have become, sorting sustainability fact from fiction is more important now than ever. In the next month, we plan to look at the practice of greenwashing and what can be done about it.

Source: The material in this series is taken from an article (February 9, 2023) by Courtney Lindwall, a writer and reporter for the Natural Resources Defense Council, NRDC.

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

- Here’s a two minute video that gives a quick definition of greenwashing. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5_SGWaAcyw
- Notice greenwashing in ads on TV or in magazines.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Linda Moses; Wes Evans;
Sharon Farnsworth; Gina;
Pete Conti; Buelah McMaster;
Mark Cavinee; Michael Degnan;
Sharon Cramer; Marty Campbell,
Max Moriyama

We update our prayer corner monthly. If you or your loved one would like to be included on the corner, please contact the office and we'd be happy to add you.

DAILY READINGS

Please join us on Facebook Live at 10AM on Tuesdays/Thursdays for scripture readings [Link here](#). We are currently reading Esther.

Light of Christ is using the Women's Ordination Council Lectionary for 2023. Please contact the Church Office for a link and information.

STEWARDSHIP

	February	March	Year To Date
Donations	\$23,938.56*	\$11,347.56	\$47,599.68
Grocery Cards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$274.52
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$8.49	\$209.30	\$228.59
Misc. Income (Includes designated)	\$1,547.91	\$1,000.00	\$2,547.91
Total Income	\$25,494.96	\$12,556.86	\$50,650.70
Expenses	\$13,900.09	\$12,834.57	\$38,685.60
Balance	\$11,594.87	\$ (277.71)	\$11,965.10

* Includes 2 annual donations totaling \$13,800.

A printed copy of the Light of Christ Bylaws, policies and procedures is available in the Church Office for members to review.

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Members of Light of Christ or their family members are invited to **purchase ad space here** on the weekly bulletins! Not only does it help out these businesses, but it also helps LOC by bringing in additional funds. For more information, please call the Church Office.

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ASSISTANCE

Prayer Partners: These prayer ministries welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth, or even to pray for you when you can't find the words. You can email our Prayer Companion Team at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org and someone will reach out to you.

Home Eucharist Team: If you need Eucharist brought to your home, for any reason, please contact Father Teri and she will coordinate one of our Home Eucharistic Ministers to visit you and bring you Communion.

Rite of Reconciliation: The Rite of Reconciliation is available after Mass or by Appointment. Please contact Father Teri or the Church office for more information.

If you need assistance during this time, there are several resources available in Longmont:

HOPE Longmont, located at:

804 Lincoln St.
Longmont, CO 80501

THE OUR CENTER, located at:

220 Collyer St.
Longmont, CO 80501

THE ROUND PANTRY, located at:

Westview Presbyterian Church
1500 Hover St.
Longmont, CO 80501