

**Light of Christ**  
Ecumenical Catholic Community  
All are Welcome



***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!*

*13th Week in Ordinary Time*

*July 1, 2023*



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## Happenings and announcements

- **Pride Mass:** Light of Christ will be loud and proud at Longmont Pride on Friday June 30th. The hope is that we make some new friends who choose to join us for Mass the next day. Everyone is invited to bring handheld Pride Flags to Mass next **Saturday, July 1st**, and we will wave them during the Gloria. Don't forget your Holy Noisemakers too. We are also trying to get some Pride Flags donated from OUT Boulder for anyone who doesn't have their own. Join us next Saturday in saying all are welcome here.



- **Office Closure:** The church office will be closed on **Tuesday, July 4th** in observance of Independence Day.
- **Walk and Talk Time change:** Please note that our Thursday walk and talks at Pella Crossing will now be starting at **8:45 AM**.
- **Liturgy Team is looking for a Carpenter:** The Liturgy team is looking for a carpenter to make two tables for us and our wine serving stations. We have particular details that need to be included. Because of what we specifically need, we are going to need the tables to be built. We don't think we will be able to just buy what we are looking for. If you, or someone you know, could help us with this, please contact Fr. Teri in the church office.
- **Member photo wall:** As we are working more closely with Bethlehem Lutheran, they . Please email your favorite individual of family photo to the Church Office and include family members names as you would like them to appear under the photo on the wall! Deadline for wall photos is July 15th. Thank you!

## Weekly Events

### Saturday (July 1)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

### Tuesday (July 4)

**OFFICE IS CLOSED**

6 pm - Tuesday Tales (FB Live)

### Wednesday (July 5)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

### Thursday (July 6)

8:45 am - Walk & Talk (Pella Crossing)

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

### Saturday (July 8)

5 pm - Communion Service (Hybrid/

## Additional Happenings

- **Supporting our Siblings in Christ, Bethlehem Lutheran:** We have an amazing, collaborative relationship with our host community Bethlehem Lutheran. It is not a typical landlord/tenant relationship, but more like a covenant, blessed by God. In addition to collaborating with us in ministry (i.e. mission trips, prayer shawl ministry, neighborhood movie nights, Holy Week liturgies, Wednesday prayer in Advent and Lent, and more), our host community maintains the building, and has added features over time that Light of Christ benefits from like the technology in the sanctuary, and soon a doorbell with camera near the LOC office

Parish Council and Fr. Teri would like to invite anyone who feels so inspired, to consider donating to Bethlehem Lutheran and their Capital Management Fund. For those willing and able, this would be a particular way to say "thank you" to our dear siblings in Christ. You can send a check directly to their office, and note that it is from an LOC member to the BL Capital Management Fund, or maybe even include a "Thanks for Being You" card. Their address is Bethlehem Lutheran, 1000 W 15th Avenue, Longmont 80501. Contact the church office if you have any questions.

- **VBS wrap-up:** Thanks to Kennah, Cassidy and all of the volunteers who helped make Vacation Bible School out of this world.



## Immigration Immersion

- **Immigration Immersion Trip to El-Paso:** Do you have questions about immigration? Have you wondered how people move from one country to another? Are you worried about people illegally crossing boundaries? Are you worried for the welfare of people seeking refuge or asylum? Then, this trip is for you! A small group (of up to 20 people from Bethlehem, Light of Christ, and Christ the Servant churches) is participating in a Border Immersion (tentatively **Oct 6-13**) with Cristo Rey--a Lutheran congregation--in El Paso, TX. Those participating will learn first-hand about the things we hear about in the news as we meet people who cross the border as well as people who work as border agents, social workers, legal aids, and volunteers in shelters. There will also be some service components--such as feeding the hungry and handing out water. If you'd like to learn more about immigration, whether you are going on the trip or not, our congregations will also host an informational event Immigration Facts and Myths (**July 12**).
- **Immigration Facts and Myths:** Join Bethlehem Lutheran, Light of Christ ECC and Christ the Servant Lutheran (Louisville) Churches for an informational event led by immigration attorney Cathy Brown. She will explore facts and myths about immigration laws and challenge us to think, "What would Jesus do?"

Come on **July 12** at **6 pm** with a dish to share for a community potluck followed by presentation and discussion at 6:30 pm. Nursery care provided with thanks to Girl Scout Troop 76091. This is for all members and friends--and highly recommended for anyone considering participating in the Border Immersion Trip.

### Border Immersion Trip Quick Info

Who: Up to 20 Bethlehem, Light of Christ, and Christ the Servant members

When: October 6-13, 2023 (tentative) plus travel time

Cost: Estimated \$600 plus cost of transportation to/from El Paso. Limited scholarships available.

Commitment: Register with Cathy G. (cegood47@aol.com) AND Fr. Teri in the church office by July 31, \$100 non-refundable deposit due Aug 15.

## Earth Corner: Climate and Fear

In her acclaimed book on climate change titled, Saving Us, Dr. Katherine Hayhoe acknowledges that the scientific data on climate change disturbed her, even to the point of being frightened. At some academic conferences she attends, she admits that there is often a disturbing sense of doom or even fatalism among scientists. Is it any wonder that lay people like ourselves feel anxious and uncomfortable when we hear the litany of climate impacts from coastal erosion, melting ice caps, islands disappearing, displaced climate refugees, and catastrophic worldwide weather events? It feels like the coming apocalypse has arrived. Yes, we should be afraid, says Dr. Hayhoe but “what we do with that fear makes all the difference.”

Fear may be an important first step in confronting climate change because it may rouse some people out of their complacency. If you're not worried about climate change or see it as a serious threat, why would you want to fix it? Those who are opposed to climate change use messages based on fear and uncertainty to push for inaction and resistance. Some climate predictions may carry a certain amount of uncertainty, to be sure, but climate deniers can use this to urge us to believe that nothing can or should be done. When fear is not useful, it can fuel our collective sense of hopelessness and futility. If we're exposed to fear-based messages we can become desensitized, skeptical, or emotionally depressed.

In the next few reflections, we'll address some of the human emotions connected to climate change and will consider the emotional toll it has taken on us. Ultimately, we are trying to uncover a path to hope, resilience, and empowerment.

### What can ordinary people do about climate change?

Climate change affects our mental state. The psychological impact of climate change is called climate anxiety. Consider this question: **How do you find a sense of control in a situation that is beyond your control? Does this make you anxious?**

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Linda Moses; Wes Evans;  
Sharon Farnsworth; Gina;  
Pete Conti; Buelah McMaster;  
Mark Cavinee; Lisa Jordan;  
Sharon Cramer; Marty Campbell,  
Carol Fischer; Viv Thompson;

*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

This summer, we are reading "Wearing God" by Lauren F. Winner and meeting at Pella Crossing for a 'walk and talk' on Thursdays at 8:45AM. July 6 will be chapter 2 - "Smell".

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

## STEWARDSHIP

	April	May	Year To Date
Donations	\$11,039.56	\$12,709.56	\$71,348.80
Grocery Cards	\$0.00	\$256.99	\$531.51
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$908.75	\$10.00	\$1,147.34
Misc. Income (Includes designated)	\$0.00	\$31.11	\$2,579.02
Total Income	\$11,948.31	\$13007.66	\$75,606.67
Expenses	\$14,382.23	\$11,114.28	\$64,182.11
Balance	\$ (2,433.92)	\$ 1,893.38	\$11,424.56

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](mailto: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