

**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.*

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***15th Week in Ordinary Time***  
***July 15, 2023***

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## Happenings and announcements

- **Walk and Talk Time change:** Please note that our Thursday walk and talks at Pella Crossing will now be starting at **8:45 AM**.
- **El Paso Fundraiser, Breakfast Burritos!** Fr. Teri and other LOC members going to El Paso this October for the Cross Cultural Immersion Trip will be hosting a Breakfast Burrito Fundraiser **after Mass on July 15th**. There will be bacon burritos and vegetarian burritos, a few gluten-free burritos and even a couple dairy free options. Burritos will be sold for a free will offering, so no particular price. Money raised will help with expenses for traveling to El Paso, as well as a donation to our host organization Cristo del Rey in El Paso. Any questions, please contact Fr. Teri.

## Weekly Events

### Saturday (July 15)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

### Tuesday (July 18)

5 pm - Stephen Ministry

6 pm - Tuesday Tales (FB Live)

### Wednesday (July 19)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

### Thursday (July 20)

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

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

### Saturday (July 22)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

- **Save the Date- Adult Awareness Training:** In preparation for the fall school year, we wish to ensure that all are welcome and safe. To assist in this, everyone who works with children are required to attend an Adult Awareness course every two years. This year, we will be offering it on **Saturday, August 5th** from **Noon till 2:30pm**. Please contact the Church office for more information.

## Bethlehem Lutheran and Light of Christ

- **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.

### 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.

- **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.

## Earth Corner: Climate Anxiety

### How to Deal with Climate Anxiety

Although it may seem like a lot of the news and conversations around climate change are full of doom, searching for positive climate news stories can help to alleviate anxieties. Every day there are small wins all around the world – whether it's a new technology to fight climate change, a species that is no longer classified as extinct, or a huge climate movement gaining momentum on social media, it's undeniable that there are positive changes happening. Try to filter your news sources to expose yourself to the good stories of innovation and successes.

Even if you feel like you can't engage in protests and public events, activism can remain in the home, too. For example, donating to and engaging with environmental charities may help to alleviate climate anxieties as people can remain in the 'loop' with activism (even if this is all done online). There are so many communities out there that are full of people who all feel similarly about the climate crisis, and openly talk about their mental struggles around this (have you ever heard of climate cafes?). Sometimes the stigma surrounding mental health struggles (*especially when they're related to the environment*) can prevent us from opening up to others, so finding people who are experiencing the same thoughts and feelings as you can really help.

Christina Figueres is a Costa Rican diplomat who shepherded the climate negotiations that culminated in the Paris Agreement. In a book she wrote on the environment, she talks about the grief and pain we experience when we see what's happening to the world. She offers this bit of wisdom. "Anger that sinks into despair is powerless to change; but anger that evolves into conviction is unstoppable."

***"I can do all this through him who strengthens me." Phil 4:3***



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

- Talk to others about your climate fears;
- Read about the warming climate from reliable sources;
- Contribute to organizations that are working for ecological preservation.

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marilyn Wasmundt; Linda Moses; Gina Rita Rose; Sharon Farnsworth; Pete Conti; Buelah McMaster; Mark Cavinee; Lisa Jordan; Sharon Cramer; Marty Campbell, Wes Evans; 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 20 will be chapter 6 - "Laboring Woman".

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

## STEWARDSHIP

	May	June	Year To Date
Donations	\$12,709.56	\$11,003.56	\$71,348.80
Grocery Cards	\$256.99	\$0.00	\$531.51
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$10.00	\$8.88	\$1,156.22
Misc. Income (Includes designated)	\$31.11	\$1,000.00	\$3,579.02
Total Income	\$13,007.66	\$12,012.44	\$87,619.11
Expenses	\$11,114.28	\$15,426.57	\$79,608.68
Balance	\$ 1,893.38	(\$3,414.13)	\$8,010.43

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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Scott is John and Dibbie's son-in-law.

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