

**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!***

***The Feast of Mary of Magdala***  
***July 22, 2023***



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## Happenings and announcements

- **Potluck BBQ and Concert:** Bethlehem Lutheran is hosting a potluck BBQ and with Longmont Concert Band providing entertainment on **Sunday, July 30**. The potluck BBQ will begin at **noon** (the band will be invited to eat first) with a concert beginning at **1PM**. All members of Light of Christ have been invited to bring a dish and enjoy the food, friends and fellowship.

- **Save the Date - National Night Out:** Light of Christ and Bethlehem Lutheran are participating in the National Night Out again this year, with treats and a movie on **Tuesday, August 1st**. More details are coming as they are made available.

- **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.

- **Burrito fundraiser thanks:** Thanks to your generosity, the breakfast burrito fundraiser was a great success and Light of Christ has raised over \$900 towards the El Paso Immigration Immersion trip. Thank you!

- **Story-Telling Team:** Do you like to read stories? Do you like to read to children? Would you like to help Fr. Teri start a new ministry before Mass? Fr. Teri is assembling a team to read stories to the children before Mass. To join the team, contact Fr. Teri.

## Weekly Events

Saturday (July 22)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

Tuesday (July 25)

6 pm - Tuesday Tales (FB Live)

Wednesday (July 26)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

Thursday (July 27)

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

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

Saturday (July 29)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

## Marketing Project

- **Light of Christ Marketing Project:** Launched after gathering your support at the All Parish meeting in late February, the Marketing Project Team is now underway. The Team includes Ann Hess and Pam Hora (co-leads), Fr. Teri, Gisele Shea, Chuck Cooper, Rick Rodgers, Sheila Winters, Heather Brubaker, Rose Marie Perez Foster, Irene Yap and Shannon Matthews.

An in-depth assessment of two very capable consultants resulted in the selection and signing of a contract with Aaron Bailey in June. Aaron specializes as a marketing consultant for churches, with some very impressive references.

The first sentence in the Statement of Work states well what this effort is all about...

*Light of Christ desires to grow their awareness, outreach, congregational membership and their impact in Boulder County through strategic branding, marketing and communication in 2023 and beyond.*

We are currently in Phase 1 with Aaron, where he is gathering input about LOC in order to help ...

*uncover what makes LOC unique, who LOC has been in the past and where God is calling LOC to be in the future.*

With this input, he will begin to propose changes to our website, messaging, communication channels, etc.

There are a total of 3 phases to complete the project's contractual services. We will provide brief updates as the work continues. Please keep the team and efforts in your prayers.





- **Immigration Immersion Trip to El-Paso:** Time is running out for those who are interested in the Border Immersion trip to El Paso Texas. **Registration for the trip ends on July 31st** for this opportunity.

Light of Christ, along with a small group from other church communities is participating in a Border Immersion 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.

**UPCOMING  
SUMMER  
EVENTS**

Hosted by Bethlehem Lutheran Church &  
Light of Christ Ecumenical Community

*Bring lawn chairs or blankets!*

**POTLUCK BBQ &  
CONCERT**  
JULY 30 @ NOON

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**  
OUTDOOR MOVIE & TREATS  
AUGUST 1 @ DUSK

**DRUMMING CONCERT**  
AUGUST 20 @ TBD\*  
*\*Check our website for the time*

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## Earth Corner: How to deal with Climate Anxiety

### The Guilt Complex

In addition to feeling fear and anxiety when we are thinking about climate change, Dr. Katherine Hayhoe devotes an entire chapter to guilt and shame in her book, *Saving Us*. She said that, when fear doesn't get our message across to others, we use guilt and shame to prod people.

When we can't control those we really want to (like the fossil fuel industries or the government) we turn our fear on others and use shame to control them.

Guilt has a lot to do with how we see ourselves, especially in judging ourselves as good or bad. Guilt communicates that you are a bad person. When we communicate to others that they should feel guilt we may be making ourselves feel better at someone else's expense. Guilt is a zero sum game. Both fear, shame and guilt can be forms of manipulation, a way to control others. We guilt trip ourselves as well as others, telling ourselves that we should be better earth protectors. This is especially true when it comes to lifestyle choices. We may beat ourselves up when we have eaten a hamburger and fries, or failed to recycle something, or bought a clothing item not "approved." It is easy to become judgmental when viewing the driving habits and airline trips of our friends and relatives. Shaming others or feeling guilty about our carbon footprint is not useful when it leads to defensiveness and anger.

The weight of the sickly planet is on more than one person; it is our collective challenge and we need to move beyond fear and guilt. First, we need to know what is happening in the world around us. Secondly, we need to know that we can fix it. Finally, we need to support credible actions that will make a difference and, in the process, it will likely alleviate our guilt.

### 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 27 will be "Laughter"

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