



***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!



24th week in Ordinary Time
September 16, 2023

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Happenings and announcements

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Prayer Shawl ministry is returning. All are welcome to bring your knitting or crochet projects to the Prayer Shawl Ministry gathering on **Tuesday, September 19th at 10AM** in the Fireside Room. Contact Barb Olander (303) 651-3229 for more information.
- **ECC 20th birthday:** The Ecumenical Catholic Communion was formed on September 19, 2003. To celebrate, there will be a zoom-based celebration on **Tuesday, September 19th at 6pm**. Please **join from home** using the link [HERE](#) with the meeting ID and passcode below:

Meeting ID: 848 3418 1327

Passcode: 845280

- **Roof Replacement:** The roof at the church is scheduled to be replaced the week of **September 18 - 25th**. If you are visiting the church office during this time, there will be scaffolding up over some doorways for safety, but there will be a lot of excess noise and debris as work progresses.
- **Preschool parking:** Cornerstone Preschool is back in session and are using the parking again. As such, please observe the signage and park in the LoC designated or unmarked spaces between 8:30-9:30 and 12:30 - 1:30.

Weekly Events

Saturday (Sep 16)

2 pm - Jared Orsi presentation
(sanctuary)

4:50 pm - Children's Talk

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

Tuesday (Sep 19)

10 am - Prayer Shawl Ministry

10 am - Scripture reading (Facebook Live)

4 pm - Liturgy Committee

5 pm - Stephen Ministry

6 pm - National ECC para-liturgy
(zoom)

Wednesday (Sep 20)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

1 pm - Adult Formation Committee

Thursday (Sep 21)

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

Saturday (Sep 23)

4:50 pm - Children's Talk

Happenings and announcements

- **Episcopal visit:** Bishop Kae Madden will be attending Mass with Light of Christ on **September 30th** with a potluck dinner and presentation by both her and Light of Christ afterwards.



We will be conducting a blessing after communion and request that you **bring a long-stemmed flower** as part of that blessing.

- **Pot Luck Dinner:** You are invited to a potluck dinner, Sept. 30th after mass. Bishop Kae will be our guest. If your last name starts with
 - A-F please bring rolls or an appetizer
 - G-L please bring a salad
 - M-R please bring a main dish
 - S-Z please bring a dessert

If you have questions, please call Sheila Winters at 303-444-8405 or e-mail at winterss123@yahoo.com We look forward to seeing you

- **Call for donations:** Cristo Rey makes up 120 food baskets with food staples at Christmas for struggling refugee families and asks congregations to choose one item to donate. The Border Immersion Trip team has committed to taking them **120 bottles of ketchup size 20 or 32 oz** for those baskets and pack them in our van that is going down to El Paso. Leave your bottles in the donation basket near the Cristo Rey display. Happy Ketchup shopping and THANK YOU!

WOMEN'S LEGGINGS AND SPORTS BRAS ALSO NEEDED

Cristo Rey has a desperate need for new **Leggings and Sports Bras** for refugee women living in the shelters and on the streets in El Paso and we want to take many of them down on our trip as well.. Please place them in the donation basket by the Cristo Rey display....

Earth Corner: The Season of Creation : “Let Justice and Peace Flow”

Dr. Jared Orsi, professor of history at Colorado State University, has recently completed his one year appointment as Colorado State Historian. Dr. Orsi has taught at CSU for 22 years, his courses include U.S. Mexico Borderlands and U.S. Environmental History. He will address the question of what the history of public lands tells us about the treatment of indigenous people and people of color.

In an interview that is posted on the History Colorado website, Dr. Orsi answers the question: **What does the history of public lands tell us about the treatment of Indigenous people?**

“Most public lands became public through a process of dispossessing the Indigenous people who already lived there and erasing evidence of their presence. So public lands are deeply embedded in the nation’s colonial legacy. Still, Frederick Law Olmsted, an early commissioner of Yosemite, said that enjoyment of the outdoors was a fundamental right of all people, and he meant that broadly. That means that public lands are also rooted in the most equitable aspects of the American democratic traditions. They have both deeply problematic histories and the potential to advance equity and inclusiveness. Indigenous peoples and public land stewards can work to improve access to public lands, collaboratively manage them, and ensure that public lands tell important Native stories. But that requires more work.” -Jared Orsi, 2022

Equally concerning is the low participation of people of color on public lands; many have rarely explored these places or developed an attachment to them. This lack of connection is particularly evident in low-income communities and communities of color, which have much lower rates of participation in outdoor recreation. In order for public lands to truly become a “common ground” for all people, we need to have proper representation from all people. Ensuring equitable access to the physical and mental benefits of public lands is more than a land-use issue: It is a social justice issue.

–Roland Richardson, National Parks & Rec Magazine 4-3-2017

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

Plan to attend the lecture by Dr. Jared Orsi, the 2022-23 State historian. Invite friends to attend as well. The lecture will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2:00 PM in the sanctuary.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Beulah McMaster; Dave Barnwell; Gina;
Kris Jenkins; Linda Moses; Lisa Jordan;
Marilyn Wasmundt; Marty Campbell;
Michael Degnan; Paula Degnan; Pete Conti;
Rita Rose Bergren; Sharon Cramer;
Sharon Farnsworth; Viv Thompson;
Wes Evans

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 year our online Scripture reading will be on Tuesdays. Fr. Teri will lead us more in depth through stories in our Scripture. Join us Tuesdays at 10am on Facebook.

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

STEWARDSHIP

	July	August	Year To Date
Donations	\$8642.56	\$7,509.56	\$98,504.48
Grocery Cards	\$0.00	\$257.84	\$789.35
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$9.05	\$8.94	\$1,174.21
Misc. Income (Includes designated)	\$908.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,488.02
Total Income	\$9,560.61	\$8,776.34	\$105,956.06
Expenses	\$10,812.27	\$15,112.08	\$105,533.03
Balance	(\$1,251.66)	(\$6,335.74)	\$423.03

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



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.



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