

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!

January 6, 2024

Epiphany



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Happenings and announcements

Events for week of January 6

Saturday (January 6)

3pm - Marketing meeting

4:50 pm - Children's Talk

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

Tuesday (Jan 9)

10 am - Online Scripture Reading

6 pm - Parish Council

Wednesday (Jan 10)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

7 pm - Fr. Teri presentation (zoom)

Thursday (Jan 11)

11am - Eleventh Hour bell-ringing

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

Saturday (Jan 13)

4:50 pm - Children's Talk

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

- **Presentation** : Fr. Teri will share a presentation on her Doctor of Ministry (DMin) project on Virtual Communion on **Wednesday January 10th at 7pm** on Zoom. You may recall last October LOC members were invited to take a survey about our experience with Communion during the pandemic. In this presentation, she will share the results of that survey as well as some of her conclusions. In order to get the Zoom link, please write to Fr. Teri at pastor@lightofchristecc.org and she will make sure you have the link for that night.

- **Save the Date: Conversations about End of Life:** Light of Christ will be hosting a conversational and interactive event that will focus on helping people think about their wishes for care through the end of life. Even if you are in good health, it is still important to make sure that the people

who matter to you, and your health care team, know your wishes. Anyone's health status can change suddenly.



The speaker, Constance Holden, is co-founder of the Conversation Project in Boulder County. This is a national health education program that helps with the process of initiating active conversations about ending phase of your life with the important people around you.

This interactive event will be held on **Saturday, January 27th at 2:30** in the Fellowship Hall.

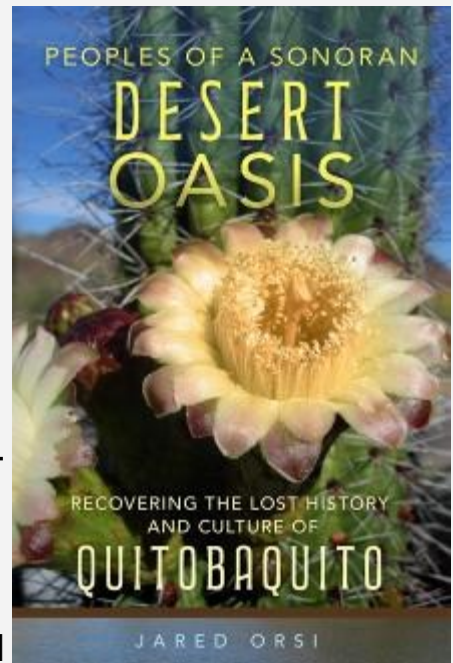
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- **Save the Date: Film Screening “This is Not Who We Are”.** The Adult Formation Committee will be holding a special screening of this award-winning documentary on **Saturday, February 10th** at **2 pm** with refreshments to follow.

- **Jared Orsi’s new book is now available:** If you attended Dr.Orsi's lecture in October, you will recall that he is a passionate advocate for the voices and cultures of the first peoples who lived on this land.

His newly published book called, *Peoples of a Sonoran Desert Oasis* tells the story of a land on the border of Arizona and Mexico where one finds the Quitobaquito, the second largest oasis in the Sonoran Desert. There, with some effort, one might also find remnants of once-thriving O’odham communities and their predecessors with roots reaching back at least 12,000 years—along with evidence of their expulsion, the erasure of their past, attempts to recover that history, and the role of the National Park Service (NPS) at every layer.



You can order Jared’s book on Amazon, EBay, or go directly to the website of the University of Oklahoma, the book’s publisher. The book sells for about \$35.00.

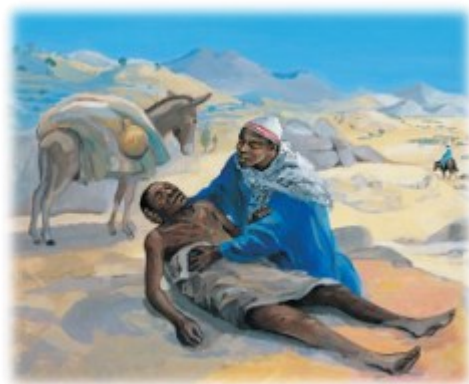


THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION OF THE ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC COMMUNION
cordially invites our ecumenical partners
and siblings across the fragmented Body of Christ
to join us in prayer as we mark this year's

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

“You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbor as
yourself.” (*Luke 10:27*)

“Go and do likewise.”



6:30 p.m. on
Friday, January 19, 2024

All are welcome to join us on Zoom at this [LINK](#).

Meeting ID: 896 4199 2874 Passcode: unity

The Order of Service will be available at <https://www.coloradoecc.org> by January 15th.

**Participants are asked to prepare their sacred space
with a shallow bowl of oil or soothing lotion.**

*The service is an adaptation of that jointly prepared and published by
the Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches.
Image: JESUS MAFA. The Good Samaritan, from Art in the Christian Tradition,
a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.*

Prayer for Creation

Ecumenism was on display at the COP28 meeting in Dubai last month. Global christian leaders joined forces to warn that the world is facing a critical moment as the climate crisis threatens the future of the planet. In an unprecedented joint declaration, Pope Francis, the leader of the Roman Catholic church, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, the spiritual leader of the Orthodox church, and the archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, who is leader of the global Anglican communion, called on the world population “whatever their beliefs or worldview” to “listen to the cry of the Earth and of people who are poor.”

This was the prayer voiced by members of the ecumenical faith community present at COP28. They were there to support, pray and pressure delegates to make courageous choices for the sake of the planet. Here is the prayer for creation they shared.

Dear God, our Creator,

You revealed your love to us and creation, once and for all through the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. By the grace of your Creator Spirit, teach us to celebrate our faith in the Incarnation that took place in creation. We pray for today’s victims of global warming, both human and nonhuman. We pray for more ambition in the energy transition, in this country and globally. We pray for all governments, and especially for those at COP28, to negotiate a global and fair phase-out of fossil fuels. And, finally, we pray for the courage to be prophets of our time, calling upon our leaders to bear fruits of ecological justice after COP28. Come Emmanuel! Make us ever more hopeful people for a hopeful planet. Let us be part of your Light of hope for the world. Amen

“What is being asked of us is nothing other than a certain responsibility for the legacy we will leave behind.” (Laudate Deum, 18)

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

- Adopt at least one new resolution for the planet.
- What are you willing to do to reduce your carbon footprint?
- Track your progress for a month.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Beulah McMaster; Carol Fischer;
 Dave Barnwell; Gina; Janell Flaig;
 Kris Jenkins; Linda Moses; Liz
 Johnson; Marty Campbell;
 Michael Degnan; Paula Degnan; Pete Conti;
 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

	November	December	Year To Date
Donations	\$8,996.56	\$8,511.56	\$141,648.72
Grocery Cards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,054.70
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$8.68	\$8.22	\$2,617.87
Misc. Income (Includes designated)	\$400.00	\$2,500.00	\$9,488.02
Total Income	\$9,405.24	\$11,019.78	\$154,809.31
Expenses	\$16,469.79	\$18,998.17	\$165,601.07
Balance	\$(7,064.55)	\$(7,978.39)	\$(10,791.76)

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

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.