



***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!*

*March 2, 2024  
3rd week in Lent*



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## Events for week of March 2

### Saturday (Mar 2)

- 3 pm - Marketing Team Meeting
- 4:50 pm - Children's Talk
- 5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

### Tuesday (Mar 5)

- 10 am - Online Scripture Reading
- 5 pm - Stephen Ministry meeting

### Wednesday (Mar 6)

- 9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)
- 5:30 pm - Lenten soup supper
- 6:30 pm - Lenten evening service

### Thursday (Mar 7)

- 1 pm - Women of the Spirit
- 7 pm - Men's Group (Hybrid/Zoom)

### Saturday (Mar 9)

- 9 am - 1st Aid, CPR/AED training
- 4:50 pm - Children's Talk
- 5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

- **Women of the Spirit:** Come join us for tea, cookies and discussion as we continue to chat about words and their meanings for us. Join the discussion on **Thursday, March 7 at 1pm** in the Fireside room as we discuss the word HOPE. According to Isaiah, "They that hope in the Lord will renew their strength." Has that been your experience? Come and share your experiences and opinions about Hope! All are welcome!

- **1st Aid, CPR/AED training:** The Light of Christ/Bethlehem Lutheran Safety Committee will be holding a first aid and CPR/AED certification training on **Saturday, March 9th from 9 am to noon**. The class will be open to all and the cost is \$50. There are limited slots available, so please contact the Church office to reserve a spot.

- **Growth Youp Trip:** Light of Christ Youth will be going on a cross-cultural immersion trip to Pine Ridge this summer, **June 29th through July 5th**. If you are a young person between the ages of 13 and 18 and would like to join us, please **contact Fr. Teri by March 7th** so we can make our reservation with Re-Member. If you would like to learn about their program, check out their website <https://www.re-member.org/> or talk to Fr. Teri. She has lead youth to Pine Ridge twice using this organization.
- **Thank you!** A huge thank you to Parish Council, Mary Franch and all those who helped to make the All-Parish Meeting and pot-luck such a successful and enjoyable event.



## Happenings and announcements

- **Lenten Evening Prayers:** Light of Christ and Bethlehem Lutheran will be holding combined Midweek Lenten Evening Prayers in the Sanctuary on Wednesday evenings at **6:30 PM** through **March 20th**. These prayer services will also be available online on Bethlehem Lutheran's YouTube channel ([link](#)).

There will be a pre-service soup supper each week starting at **5:30 PM**. Please bring your own dishware and utensils.

- **Save the date: Saturday, March 23, 3:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. The Adult Formation Committee is planning to offer a presentation and film on the history of the Ku Klux Klan in Colorado and Boulder County. They are calling it: **The Legacy of the KKK: Confronting the Roots of Hate and Exclusion.**

- **Save the Date. Good Friday, March 29, 1:00-2:30 PM.** The Adult Formation Committee (AFC) is planning an alternative way to walk the stations of the cross by retracing the locations in Longmont where the KKK congregated, planned acts of terror and practiced exclusion. The start of the walk will be Roosevelt Park in Longmont. This is separate and independent from the program they are presenting on March 23rd.

### Holy Week Schedule

#### Palm Saturday (March 23)

- 3 pm - Adult Formation Presentation
- 5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

#### Wednesday (March 27)

- 9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

#### Holy Thursday (March 28)

- 7 pm - Holy Thursday Service (Hybrid/ Youtube)

#### Good Friday (March 29)

- 1 pm - Good Friday Stations of the Cross walk.
- 7 pm - Good Friday Service (Hybrid/ Facebook Live)

#### Easter Vigil Saturday (March 30)

- 8 pm - Easter Vigil Mass (Hybrid/ Facebook Live)

#### Easter Sunday (March 31)

- 6:44 am - Sunrise Easter reading (Facebook Live)

## Conversion of the Heart

At a Creation Care Conference sponsored by the Episcopal Church in early December, the main speaker, a retired bishop from Indiana, talked about the primary role of the faith community in climate change. While many of us operate as though we're a local branch of the Sierra Club, he pushed us to see that our true mission is more aligned with the healing gospel of Jesus. Faith communities, he said, must preach and call for a ***personal and spiritual conversion***.

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

- Reflect on how you can make creation care a part of your Lenten prayer and practice.
- How can you stretch yourself to do a little more for the planet?

We live in the richest country on earth with every possible privilege including abundance of food, clean water, technological resources, and plenty of energy to power our homes, cars, phones, and planes.

- As a country, do we have more than our "fair" share of things?
- Do we squander what we have?
- Do we waste food; do we over consume?
- Do material things have a grip on us and are we frozen in place when it comes to healing the world around us, including the natural world?

Metanoia, a conversion of the heart, is a turning away from something that locks us into a self serving pattern of behavior. What does a conversion of heart mean for us and the planet as we move further into Lent? How can care for the earth become a part of our Lenten experience this year? Lent is a good time to ask ourselves about the personal conversion we are called to make for the sake of the planet.

**Every decision is a climate decision  
for or against a better future,  
whether we realize it or not.**

**- Katherine Hayhoe**

## PRAYER CORNER

Beulah McMaster; Carol Fischer;  
 Dave Barnwell; Gina Hinnegan;  
 Kris Jenkins; Linda Moses;  
 Marty Campbell; Michael Degnan  
 Paula Degnan; Pete Conti; Phyllis Enge;  
 Rita Rose Bergen, Sharon Cramer; Sha-  
 ron Farnsworth; 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.*

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

## STEWARDSHIP

	January	Year To Date
Donations	\$8,568.00	\$8,568.00
Other Income, including Grocery Cards	\$109.92	\$109.92
Total Income	\$8,677.92	\$8,677.92
Expenses	\$13,120.06	\$13,120.06
Balance	\$(4,442.14)	\$(4,442.14)

## 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 2024. Please contact the Church Office for a link and information.

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