

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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March 16, 2024
5th week in Lent



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Events for week of March 16

Saturday (Mar 16)

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

Tuesday (Mar 19)

- 10 am - Online Scripture Reading
- 10 am - Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 4 pm - Liturgy Committee
- 5 pm - Stephen Ministry
- 6 pm - Land Stewardship Committee

Wednesday (Mar 20)

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

Thursday (Mar 21)

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

Palm Saturday (Mar 23)

- 3 pm - Adult Formation Presentation
- 4:50 pm - Children's Talk
- 5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Come and knit or crochet with us. The LOC Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting on **Tuesday, March 19**, from **10-11:30 am** in the Fireside Room. Patterns for shawls, scarves and hats will be available or you can work on your own projects. Contact the Church Office for more information or to learn how you can be part of this ministry even if you can not attend our meetings. All are welcome!

- **Recycle your Holey Socks!** In coordination with TerraCycle, Light of Christ has registered to be a public drop-off point for the collection of used, clean socks. So, instead of throwing away your holey socks, you can bring them into the church and place them in the TerraCycle sock basket that you will find in the Narthex or in the church office. When we have a full basket of socks, we will print a free shipping label, courtesy of GOLDTOE®, and send them to TerraCycle to be recycled! (Note: we can not accept stockings, tights, or pantyhose.)

Happenings and announcements

- **Lenten Evening Prayers:** This week will be the final combined Midweek Lenten Evening Prayers. Join us on **Wednesday, March 20th** for a pre-service soup supper starting at **5:30 pm** with service at **6:30 pm**. These prayer services will also be available online on Bethlehem Lutheran's YouTube channel ([link](#)).

- **The Legacy of the KKK :** The Adult Formation Committee will be presenting a lecture and film on the history and legacy of the Ku Klux Klan on **Saturday, March 23, 3:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall.

- **Good Friday Walk:** 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 on **March 29 at 1:00 pm**. These programs are independent of each other.

Easter Eggstravaganza: Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 30 at 10am!** Bethlehem Lutheran and Light of Christ will be having our 3rd Annual Easter Eggstravaganza with egg hunt, refreshments and other activities.

- **Holy Noisemakers return!** Please bring your holy noisemakers for **Palm Saturday** and **Easter Vigil Mass**.

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)

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

Easter Sunday (March 31)

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



What does conversion-of-the-heart look like?

A few years back, Bill McKibben, the founder of the grassroots climate advocacy group 350.org, which has led international protests and fossil fuel disinvestment campaigns, faced an audience of young people and suggested that conversion of heart required **sustained action to save the planet**. *He told them that young people can bring energy, new ideas, and youthful idealism to the work. But, he said, that “you cannot affect structural change without the help of older people.”*

“You know what old people do? Old people vote. . .so if you want to take on Congress or you want to take on Wall Street, it’s a good idea to have some older people backing you up. Older people have accumulated financial and political power over the course of a lifetime— with baby boomers and the Silent Generation together accounting for 70% of the nation’s financial assets.” Older people have the resources, experience, and know-how to influence policies and decision makers. But, in truth, no one can do this alone.

McKibben’s advice to youth is to find a way to **engage in the world**. *“You guys have the possibility to build an extraordinary new world. But you have to do it fast. This is a timed test. Once we’ve melted the Arctic, no one has a plan for how we freeze it back together again.”*

(Bill McKibben’s remarks were part of a keynote address at Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice, 2022.)

Are there young people you know who might benefit from an “older” person like yourself? Talk to young people about their concerns for the planet.

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

- Support candidates who promote clean energy initiatives.
- Encourage the young people in your life to register to vote.
- Financially contribute to organizations that protect the earth.

PRAYER CORNER

Beulah McMaster; Carol Fischer;
 Dave Barnwell; Gina Hinnegan;
 Graham Shead; Jack Wolfe;
 Judith Link; Kris Jenkins;
 Linda Moses; Marty Campbell; Michael
 Degnan; Paula Degnan; Pete Conti; Phyl-
 lis Enge; Rita Rose Bergen, Sharon
 Cramer; Sharon Farnsworth; Wes Ev-
 ans.



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 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