



***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 9, 2024
4th week in Lent



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Events for week of March 9

Saturday (Mar 9)

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

Monday (Mar 11)

- 11 am - 11th Hour Bell-ringing

Tuesday (Mar 12)

- 10 am - Online Scripture Reading
- 6 pm - Parish Council

Wednesday (Mar 13)

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

Thursday (Mar 14)

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

Saturday (Mar 16)

- 4:50 pm - Children's Talk
- 5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)
- 6 pm - St. Patrick's Day Dinner

- **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.

- **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:** 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.
- **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 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 is needed: A conversion of the heart

We continue to ponder the theme of personal conversion in relation to the created world during Lent. Here is what Gus Speth, administrator of the United Nations Defense Fund (UNDF), 1993-1999, said about what is needed to heal the earth:

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

- Challenge yourself to make your voice heard to officials and representatives on climate issues.
- Write, call, or text a legislator and offer your opinions.

I used to think that the top global environmental problems were biodiversity loss, ecosystem collapse, and climate change. I thought that with thirty years of good science we could address these problems. I was wrong. The top environmental problems are selfishness, greed, and apathy and to deal with these we need a spiritual and cultural transformation.

The prophets of the Hebrew scripture called for a change of heart.

Even now, says the Lord,
return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, and weeping, and mourning;
Rend your hearts, not your garments,
and return to the Lord your God.
For gracious and merciful is God,
slow to anger, rich in kindness,
and relenting in punishment.

Joel 2: 12-18

PRAYER CORNER

Beulah McMaster; Carol Fischer;
 Dave Barnwell; Gina Hinnegan;
 Graham Shead; Kris Jenkins;
 Linda Moses; Marty Campbell;
 Michael Degnan; Paula Degnan;
 Pete Conti; Phyllis Enge; Rita Rose Ber-
 gen, Sharon Cramer; Sharon Farns-
 worth; 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 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