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Worship Services

Sunday Worship

8:00 am Traditional

10:30 am Contemporary

9:15 am Adult Education

9:30 am Children's Sunday School

Holy Communion

Communion is served at both services every Sunday.

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Pastor - Philip Reimers

Ministers - All of our People

Youth Director - Youth Council

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Office Manager - Stephanie Park

Council Members

Nonie Willis - President

Mark Selman - Vice-President

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Open - Business Manager

Claire O'Brien - Education

Gloria Owens - Evangelism

Open - Activities

Eunice Bollinger-Outreach/Missions

Pastor's Message

Deeper in Prayer

Prayer has always been an important part of my life. I grew up saying prayers before meals and before bed. I would pray for the people I loved in my life and for great concerns in our church, community, and world. I knew that God heard, I knew that God cared, and even knew that sometimes God answered those prayers. As I have gotten older my life of prayer has continued to grow in my understanding of prayer and in the depth of relationship I have with God through prayer.

During this Lenten season we selected "Draw the Circle: The 40 Day Prayer Challenge" by Mark Batterson as our focus. I had researched it enough that I was excited and expectant about what it could mean for the congregation. What I didn't expect is how much it would challenge and change me. It is really easy to become comfortable in our lives.

Comfortable with our family relationships, comfortable with our job, comfortable with what we do for God in the church, community, or world. But every once in a while, we get shaken from our comfort zone and challenged to what God wants to do in us and through us. It is not surprising that this shaking can often come in prayer.

I will admit that over the years of ministry I have at times become discouraged by the direction I see the world going, by natural challenges that we face in the church, and by what I perceived as lack of accomplishment. We gain members and loose members. Programs get started and then loose energy. Now upon deeper reflection I realize that there is much to rejoice over. There is growth in people's lives and ministry happening at many levels. We have many amazing believers of Jesus living lives in deep relationship to God and each other. We are involved in this church, this community, and the world in powerful ways. We should not be discouraged, I should not be discouraged.

Now that being said I think we neither should be content. One of the things that has really stirred my heart most by "Drawing the Circle" is dreaming big, and therefore praying big. I have some very specific things that I believe God has placed on my heart to begin praying for. Some are personal, some are for this church, and some are for the world. These are ideas and prayer that I don't think came from me, but from a higher wisdom and understanding that God has of what needs to happen. None has come to full fruition yet, but I have begun to see glimpses of what God is doing. It is exciting. I am getting excited about what God wants to do and this leads me to want to pray even more.

Whether or not you fully invested in the 40 Day prayer challenge I strongly encourage you to think about your life of prayer and commit to a growing life of prayer. It is the source of hope and encouragement, the source

Paul Mohrmann - Prop & Grounds
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 Vicki Thompson - Worship & Music
 Open - Youth & Family

life of prayer. It is the sources of hope and wisdom and direction, the sources of power and accomplishment. Please join me in listening to God and praying for all the amazing things God wants to do in our lives, our church, our community, and the world. Amen!

Welcome Visitors

We want to welcome last month's visitors. Thank you for worshipping with us!



Altar Flowers

Sign up to sponsor flowers on the chart posted in the Fellowship Hall or talk to Stephanie in the church office. The cost is \$30 for two bouquets and you get to take them home following the last service! Thank you for helping make the sanctuary beautiful during our Sunday services.

See you in church,

Pastor Philip

Email: pastorphilip@l-c-c.org



Mission Trip to Uganda

Pastor Philip

Have you considered if God might be calling you to a short-term mission trip? It is an experience like no other. It opens your eyes to the greater needs of people less fortunate than ourselves. It opens your eyes to the contentment, joy, and hopefulness of people who have far less. It opens your eyes to brothers and sisters who may look different and have a far different culture but who share the same love for Jesus that we have. There are several different times we could consider going. Thanksgiving break November 19-30, Christmas break December 26-Jan 4, or early summer June 3-14. These dates are all a general guess but planned around school calendar so you could attend with parents if that would be of interest. The cost would vary depending on dates selected. A pretty good estimate of cost for each time would be; November \$2500, December \$2900, and June \$3100. This would include all major hard expenses; flight, ground transportation, lodging, and food. Please let pastor know if you would be interested in this trip and which possible times would work for you. We need to determine if we have enough interest soon so we can begin to make plans.



Saints Alive!

"We have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all our saints..." Col. 1:4

We give thanks for all people who have helped support our life together as a community of faith!

April Service Helpers

Suzanne Pecoraro

Schedule - April 2018

April 2018		Usher	Serve Communion	Read	Coffee	Altar Set/Clean	Sunday Bible Fun	Children's Church	Flower Pick Up
EASTER									
1	8:00am	Hassells	Roger	Kathy	Easter	Sue Chyno	Easter Egg Hunt	Easter Sunday	Sue Chyno
	10:30am	Sara Esau & Fm	Gloria O & Sue Chyno	Vicki T	Breakfast	Sue Chyno			



Prayer Requests

Please remember to check the Prayer Request page on the back of the Sunday bulletin and contact the church office to update any prayer requests!

8	8:00am	Houstons	Russ	Hope B	Karen & Rich Miller	Shelly H	Jackie M	Cheryl & Sophia	Sue Chyno
	10:30am	Nevilles	Greta & Sue Chyno	Jackie M	Von Thuns	Jane VT			
15	8:00am	Strains	Rose	Orville	Strain	Linda Mohrmann	Chari	Chris & Tammy	Sue Chyno
	10:30am	Hansens	Cheryl T & Gloria O	Jeff H	Tom & Nonie Willisch	Sue Chyno			
22	8:00 AM	Lofings	Mike L	Mike L	Wendy Barns	Shelly	TBA	Benjy & Gloria	Sue Chyno
	10:30 AM	Theisens	Janet M & Claire	Larry VT	Roske's	Marlene			
29	8:00 AM	Hassells	Roger H	Roger H	Hassells	Deanna	TBA	Jackie & Claire	Sue Chyno
	10:30 AM	Theisens	Hansens	Claire	Hansens	Greta			

NOTE: YOU SHOULD ONLY NEED TO SERVE COFFEE EVERY 6-8 WEEKS. Names with yellow highlight are personal choices.

If you cannot serve on your assigned date, please find a replacement and let Stephanie know (info@www.l-c-c.org).

Thanks in advance for your service to the Lord, Suzanne Pecoraro. suzpecrd@comcast.net

Love Offering

Each month we will highlight an outreach or special ministry. Loose cash offerings and designated offerings will be given directly to those ministry opportunities.

In March we collected
\$ 1,850 for The Enlighten Foundation - Project Sparkle - Armenia

April Love Offering

Youth Scholarships are given from the LCC Helping Hands fund to help our youth attend youth activities. The purpose of this money will be to allow students to offer a "helping hand" to the church or any of its members in exchange for covering an event fee.

Men's Bible Study



Our Men's Bible Study is scheduled for the *first* and *third* Thursday of the month.

Contact Mike Lofing with any questions
 - mlofing@gmail.com

Thursday, April 5 - 6:30 am
 Thursday, April 19 - 6:30 am

Christian Day Camp

July 30th to August 2nd

We are still working on the overall theme but looking to use "*The Story*" as our guide. We are in need of teachers and helpers!! Please contact [Suzanne Pecoraro](#) or [Chari Pashman](#) as soon as possible if you can help.

Safety Mission Team

Paul Mohrmann

To our Brothers and Sisters,

We, the Safety Mission Team, would like to, first, thank all who have stepped forward with time, treasure and talent to address items of security and safety facing Church of the Cross' facilities. It's a start. Presently, Council is receiving consultation pertaining to these safety items: doors, camera, locking mechanisms, etc. These items are for the benefit of LCC and Evergreen Academy's safety and security.

A few cameras have been installed in the classrooms and working through a monitor. Some door issues have been addressed, it's a start. Thanks to Roger H., Orville S. and others for their time, talents and suggestions.

Please join us in the church fellowship hall.

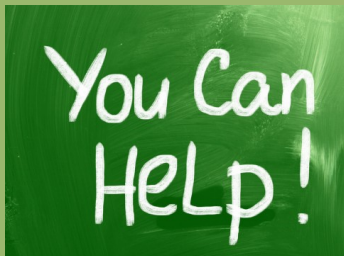
Women's Bible Study

Join the weekly Women's Bible Study on Tuesday morning at 9:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall for a discussion and DVD from the Beth Moore study "The Quest". All are welcome. Contact Eunice Bollinger for more information - eunice.b@comcast.net



Also, there is a sign-off sheet on the hallway table for those of us who are interest in CPR and AED training. Please note on the sign-off sheet whether you are current with training or wishing to retrain. Furthermore, any First Aid training would be a helpful note. We are looking forward to acquiring an AED (automated external defibrillator) and one "go pack" to go along with trained volunteers.

Thanks to all,
Safety Mission Team, LCC



Service Helpers Needed

We are always looking for helpers for Altar Guild, Sacrament Assistants, Ushers, Coffee Hour, Sunday School and Children's Church. If you'd like to share your gifts in any of these categories please speak to [Suzanne Pecoraro](#).



Reloadable Grocery Cards

We have joined the Reward Program with King Soopers! We now have \$5 reloadable grocery gift cards here at LCC! Just reload it and use it for all of your groceries! 5% of the sales will be donated to LCC! Contact Stephanie in the office for more information.

Happy Birthday!

- 4/03 Peter Reimers
- 4/04 Avery Leinen
- 4/05 Kailyn Pashman
- 4/07 Kevin Nichols
- 4/08 Marcia Osteros
- 4/09 Sondra Inman
- 4/10 Rose Strain
- 4/12 Matthew Hassell
- 4/17 Art Martin
- 4/19 Greta Downs
- 4/29 Daniel Hassell
- 4/29 Erik Porada
- 4/30 Kelsey Pashman



LCC Library

Linda Mohrmann

The library contains a few other media types (DVDs, audiobooks and CDs). You can find movies, music, and comedy features. The featured DVD for April is, The Case For Faith which is a film adaptation of the book by Lee Strobel. "Strobel investigates two of the most emotional objections to Christianity: *Why is Jesus the only way to God? And how could a loving God exist if there is evil and suffering in the world?*" "The Case For Faith" is a powerful Biblical apologetic for anyone who has ever experienced doubt or uncertainty about God." This is a valuable tool to use when explaining your faith to others.

Prayer Warriors

Cheryl Touryan

Prayer is not a consumer tool but a refiners fire. God has invited us into his presence and hears our heart cry even before words are uttered. You are invited to join the 'Prayer Warriors' **every Wednesday afternoon, 2:30 pm**, in the 'War Room' at LCC.

Volunteers Needed to Lead Ministry Teams for Outreach Projects

In our efforts to do more and be seen more in our community, we have a few projects that we feel would be a great way to get that started. We still need volunteers to lead the **LCC Basketball Tournament** If you have a heart for this or have an idea for something new, please contact Eunice Bollinger at eunice.b@comcast.net

Happy Anniversary!

- 4/02 Warren & Pat Roske
- 4/05 Roger & Kathy Hassell
- 4/14 Art & Marcee Martin
- 4/22 Brad & Rebecca Giles



Women's Bible Study tour of the Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.
Ephesians 2:10

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR A NIGHT OF FUN FILLED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Tickets are on sale now for the **Friday, May 4th** "Women of the Word and Wayne" show. Full of comedy and music for us all to enjoy. See Pat Roske, Sondra Inman or Jill Hansen for your tickets, all are welcome.

Women of the Word & Wayne!

Enjoy a Family Fun-Filled Night of Comedy and Song

Friday, May 4th
Doors open at 7:00 pm
Show is 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Snacks and drinks provided
Tickets \$3, under 12 Free

For more information contact
Jill Hansen: 303-884-2790

Wayne Faust

Mission Statement:

As people of Church of the Cross, we proclaim the Love of Jesus Christ in all we do for the Glory of God.

