



Light of Christ
A BOLDLY INCLUSIVE CATHOLIC CHURCH

***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!

30th Week in Ordinary
October 26th, 2024



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Happenings and Announcements

Schedule for week of October

Saturday (October 26)

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

Tuesday (October 29)

10 am - Scripture reading (FB live)

Wednesday (October 30)

9 am - Service (hybrid/Zoom)

Thursday (October 31)

7 pm - Mens Group

Saturday (November 2)

4:30 pm - Religious Education

5 pm - Mass (Hybrid/Facebook Live)

- **Religious Education:** A reminder that Religious Education will be held in the Sanctuary at **4:30pm on Saturday, November 2.**

- **Round Pantry Thanksgiving Donations:** Once again, we are collecting boxed dessert items (e.g. cake and brownie mixes) for the Round Pantry, the local food bank with which we have a long-standing partnership. These items will be part of the food distribution for Thanksgiving (Nov 26). A basket will be in the Narthex for donations **through November 23rd.** Thank you for your generosity.

- **Parade of Parishes:** Please enjoy a video collage of the parishes in the ECC. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZC8xes3tuKs&t=38s>
- **Synod 2024 water bottles:** There are a very limited supply of Synod 2024 water bottles remaining. If you would like one, Mary Lu will be in the Narthex this Saturday. The cost is \$5.

Religious Education
for children of all ages

1st Saturday of the
month at 4:30pm, in the
sanctuary before Mass

No fees. No sign up. Just join Fr.
Teri in the back of the sanctuary
at 4:30pm. First gathering is
Saturday Sept 7th



Free presentation
Painful Pasts: What is
Historical Trauma and
How Does It Affect the
Present?

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PROFESSOR COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

Sat Nov 9 at 3pm to 4:30pm

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Dispossessed Again

During the month of October, we are focusing on the experiences of Native Americans, especially as they consider their relationship to the earth and the threat of climate change. One only needs to look at where Native tribes are physically located to appreciate their current concern and understandable distress. Climate change affects vulnerable communities more. It was no accident that Native people were removed from the most productive and resource-rich lands, forced to settle in the least desirable places. And, with the impacts of a hotter climate, even these marginal lands are becoming uninhabitable.

- In the Pacific Northwest, coastal erosion and storms are eating away at tribal lands.
- In the Southwest, severe drought means that the Navajo Nation is running out of water. Only one third of the tribe lives with running water.
- At the edge of the Ozarks, heirloom crops are becoming harder to grow.
- In Alaska, rising temperatures make it hard for villagers to engage in traditional hunting and fishing.

As climate change persists, more tribes will be forced to leave their villages. Dislocation is not new to Native tribes having experienced persistent removals by the federal government to allow westward white settlement. Now, however, it appears that the same thing may happen because of a hotter planet. Accepting that fate is both repugnant and unacceptable. Like any place humans call home, the land is tied up with identity. "The land is who we are as a people," said Anton Treuer, an Ojibwe elder. A younger tribes member voiced the following:

"I've grown so attached to this place, I've grown attached to the people, I've grown attached to the land, the water, the air. It's because of the Lakota and Dakota people that I now have new eyes to view the world that we live in. and to get back into that sense of tradition and prayer.

"I'm going to stay as long as it takes to ensure the safety of our future generations, to make sure that they have water for their children, for my children, for my future generations to come, for everyone's future generations to come. I'm not going anywhere.

Alex Howland, 21, at Standing Rock, ND

What can ordinary people do about climate change?

On average, Americans use 50 gals. water per day. For one day, track your water consumption.

PRAYER CORNER

Dave Barnwell; Gary Tharnish
 Gina Hinnegan; Judith Link;
 Kris Jenkins; Linda Moses;
 Lisa Jordan; Marty Campbell;
 Michael Degnan; Patrick Degnan;
 Paula Degnan; Pete Conti; Phyllis Enge;
 Rita Rose Bergen; Rosean Amaral;
 Scott Jenkins; Sharon Cramer;
 Sharon Farnsworth; Teri Harroun;
 Therese Gabriel; 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.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

	September	Year to Date
Donations	\$11,818.18	\$103,828.41
Other Income, including Grocery Cards	\$7.83	\$2,433.31
Total Income	\$11,826.01	\$106,511.72
Expenses	\$11,641.28	\$121,698.64
Balance	\$184.73	-\$15,186.92

Additionally, \$1,407 was received for Synod.

DAILY READINGS

Our online readings this season are from Pearl S. Buck's "The Story Bible". Please join us on Facebook Live every Tuesday at 10AM.

Light of Christ is using the Women's Ordination Conference Lectionary for 2024. Please contact the Church Office for a link and information.

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