



Christ Lutheran CHURCH

WEEKLY SCRIBE
March 15, 2026

Faith Formation Opportunities ~ <i>Sundays 9:20 a.m.</i>		
	Church Hall	120 Library
3/15/26	Revisit Deepening Our Welcome	Bible Survey D. Keammerer
3/22/2026	Revisit Deepening Our Welcome	Bible Survey D. Keammerer

Revisiting Deepening Our Welcome --March 15

How is CLC doing in our quest to be a more deeply welcoming congregation? What have we learned as we have sought to live out the welcome statement we adopted in 2023? Where are we now and who is still missing? What are our dreams and visions for deepening our welcome at CLC as we move forward together in faith? Join the conversation to share your observations and dreams during this Faith Formation time.

Revisiting Deepening Our Welcome – March 22

How Do Words, Images, and Descriptions of God Affect Our Beliefs and Actions? Explore with us various images of God and Jesus. Do how we describe God and Jesus influence how welcoming we are as a congregation? Is God limited to a singular pronoun? Do how we describe God affect how we describe one another and ourselves?

2026 Lenten Dinners at CLC!!!

During Lent, you are invited to join in Lenten dinners at **5:30 p.m.** Wednesdays at CLC, before each **7:00 p.m.** evening service. **Please sign up for each meal in advance in the East Link so that the cooks know how many to expect, and consider bringing a dessert to share.** A free-will offering will be collected at each meal. Come and join in the fellowship!

Dinner schedule:

March 18 ~ CLC Choir (Sloppy Joes)

March 25 ~ Anna Zervos/Kathy Rowberg/Mary Michna/Nancy Vinluan (Ham /Potatoes)

**CLC Social Ministry and Mission
March 2026**



Our emphasis is providing support for the **Lutheran Diaconal Association** www.thelda.org. Below is a message to CLC from LDA:

“Since 1919, the Lutheran Diaconal Association has formed people for ministries of service. In the early years we trained women primarily as nurses serving in missions and institutions of the church. Our ministries have changed throughout the last 105 years. Today we serve in congregations, in institutions and wherever God’s people are.

A deaconess or deacon is someone one who serves. Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and instructed them to do the same for others. Sometimes deaconesses and deacons do actual foot-washing like Jesus did; but more widely, they serve Christ by walking with those the world easily forgets; the marginalized, the poor, the powerless, the sick.

People who reach out to others in this way—with care and compassion in a hurting world—are practicing diaconal service, as all the baptized are called to do. Some of them desire to do this as a professional in ministry and enter a more formal training and formation process to become deaconesses and deacons. Since the earliest days of the church men and women have been set apart to do intentional servant ministry.

Deaconess/deacon ministry has come to mean many things: it means serving others on bended knee, and from positions of leadership. It means entering the hurt parts of society and carrying the light and love of Christ in service to others. It means telling the story of God’s love and helping others to hear God in their own story. It means welcoming the stranger in our midst.

Help achieve our goal of \$2500 in March (over and above giving combined with CLC’s \$1200 budgeted amount). By achieving our goal CLC will help **Luth. Diaconal Assoc.** continue mutual support and service activities that are crucial to effective ministry. Use your weekly worship giving mailed in check to CLC and indicate “LDA” or contribute through Subsplash on the CLC website <https://clcvalpo.org> via the “Give” button and choose Monthly Social Ministry Emphasis. Thank you to members for supporting social ministry emphasis.

LENT/EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2026

Mid-Week Lenten Dinners ~ March 18, 25 @ 5:30 p.m.

Mid-Week Lenten Services following Dinner @ 7:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday, March 29 @ 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 2 @ 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 3 @ 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil, April 4 @ 4:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5 @ 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

LLP Registration

2026-2027 Registration is now open for everyone! We have plenty of Beginner AM and PM classes left.

- Beginners Tuesday/Thursday AM 8:45-11:15 (\$225/month).
3 & 4 years old. Must be 3 by August 1, 2026
- Beginners 3 Session AM Mon/Wed/Fri 9:00-11:30 (\$275/month).
3 & 4 years old. Should be 3 by Feb. 1, 2026
- Beginners 3 Session PM Mon/Wed/Fri 12:30-3:00 (\$275/month).
3 & 4 years old. Should be 3 by Feb. 1, 2026



EASTER FLOWERS

We invite you to share lilies, tulips and Hyacinths with us for the Easter morning festival services. The forms are located in the Gathering Place (put completed form in the basket in the Gathering Place or give to church office), please have your order ready by Sunday, March 22 or phone the Church Office. Thank you!

Lilies \$14; Tulips \$13; Hyacinths \$13

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt Back by popular demand!

Please bring in any donations of candy or small toys during the month of March. Please drop your donations off at the CLC office. Thank you!

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt, April 5 after 10:30 service

Times are approximate, depending on when worship wraps up:

12:00– pre-k-k (near the Memorial Garden)

12:10– 1st– 4th grade (out in the field) 12:15- 5th-8th grade (in the woods)

We will have some plastic bags, but you may want to bring your own collecting container. Emptied eggs will be collected back afterwards to be recycled for next year.

CLC YOUTH

TRIVIA NIGHT

Sunday, April 26
4:00 - 7:30 PM
Activity Center

- \$10 - Adults
- \$5 Kids (Ages 6-12)
- Free! Children 5 & Under

Pizza provided for dinner!

Table Packages Available!

- Mulligans Available!
- Teen-Supervised Kid Area!
- Fun for All Ages!

Volunteer Opportunities for Adults and Youth Available!

Reach out to Karina
karina.barlow@clcvalpo.org
 with any questions!

Scan to reserve your tickets!

Visit our Youth page for more information!

<https://clcvalpo.org/youth>



Easter Bake Sale!



Hosted by CLC Youth Ministries

April 5, 9:15 AM - 12:15 PM
(between and after services)



**Free Will
Donations**

All proceeds will benefit the CLC Youth Ministries and the continued opportunities for community development.

Thank you for supporting our youth!





BADGES AND *Blossoms* SPRING CRAFT MARKET

HOSTED BY GIRL SCOUTS OF
VALPARAISO & WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

SATURDAY

MARCH
28
2026

10:00 AM-
4:00 PM

Christ Lutheran Church
2610 Campbell St, Valparaiso, IN

VENDORS

FLIPPING PAGES	GET FROSTED	POPPY'S K&H CREATIONS INC
THE ROSSES MADE IT	THAT ONE CRAFTY BROAD	CRAFT BOUTIQUE
CATHY'S CREATIONS	CRAFTY KELLY & EM	ML DRAGONFLY SOAP
CRAFTY GOODS BY TINA AND DANIELLE	SUEGECREATIONS	STARLIGHT CREATIONS
JESS'S JEWELRY & MORE	JAYLILLIE'S	SARAH'S SNAPS
THE SIMPLE THINGS BY TINA	DAZZLING CRAFTS BY JULIA	LILLIES LASED GIFTS
GYPSY BREAD CO.	MAMA OWL KNITS	SPRDLINGS CUSTOMS
BECKY'S YARD	708 DRINKS	CBK DESIGNS LLC
LITTLE V'S ODDITIES	NIGHT OF THE LIVING BREAD	HAPPY HOUND DOG TREATS & APPAREL
	PLUS MORE TO BE ADDED!	

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROJECTS

QUILTS

Quilts Completed: 103

BABY CARE KIT PROJECT

2026-500

KITS COMPLETED-170

MARCH NEEDS-Pants and light weight outerwear.

INTERESTING FACT-Watch for CLEARANCE CLOTHING AS THE STORES AND RESALE SHOPS change over to spring and summer outfits.

Also, ask friends and family members with little ones from 6 months to 2T to donate clothing to this project. THE NEED IS GREAT!

FABRIC KIT PROJECT

2026 GOAL-100

KITS COMPLETED-16

MARCH NEEDS-COTTON FABRIC IN 3 YARD LENGTHS PLUS 1 yard or more lengths for receiving blankets.

INTERESTING FACT-HOBBY LOBBY AND MICHAELS are stores in Valpo that have fabric by the yard/bolt.

PERSONAL CARE KITS

KITS COMPLETED-240

MARCH NEEDS-CASH TO PURCHASE REQUIRED ITEMS

INTERESTING FACT-Throughout March all cash donations will be matched. Any dollar donated means two dollars for the project. The cost of each kit is approximately six dollars.

ALUMINUM CAN PROJECT

2026 GOAL-\$250

Keep the cans coming to the Red Ford truck or the white basket in the Gathering Area. No donation is too small. Aluminum foil food trays and regular food cans are not being taken at the local recycling centers. The centers are not buying those items any longer.

INTERESTING FACT- The more cans we collect the more soap we can buy for the LWR KITS.

We have taken the first truck load of cans for 2026 to the recycling center. We had 120 pounds at \$60. The current rate is 50 cents a pound. That money will help fund soap needed for the LWR PROJECTS.

Lent is a season when traditionally Christians make a sacrifice of some type to remember Christ's sacrifice for us. In this spirit, I am making this request for this time during lent. Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through Good Friday, I will match any contributions to the Personal Care Kit Project. Please help me help remember those people all over the world that are less fortunate than we are. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated and will be used to purchase items to be included in the kits. Thank you for your participation in this project.



Senior Group

On March 26, we are planning a visit to Schmidt-Marken Designs, a Pottery Gallery & Gift Shop, located in Pinhook, near LaPorte, Indiana. It is owned and operated by Christ Lutheran Church members, Doug Schmidt and Karen Marken. Doug & Karen will be showing us how their pottery is made. (You may have seen it at the Youth Silent Auction in the Fall - It is beautiful.) If you want to carpool, please meet at the church parking lot (planning to leave church at 9:30 am). Or we can get you their address, if you prefer to drive to the Pottery Gallery directly. We plan to arrive at the Gallery at 10:00 am.

Please RSVP to Judy Haalboom at 309-368-9536 or mbboom@comcast.net, if you will be carpooling, so we don't accidentally leave someone behind.

We will stop for lunch on the way back, at a location to be determined.
(More information on that will follow.)

Easter Bake Sale Sign-Up

Love to bake? Got a signature sweet treat?

Help us make the Easter Bake Sale a success! On Easter Sunday (April 5), CLC Youth Ministries will be selling goodies between and after services — and we'd love your delicious donations.



Easter Bake Sale Sign Up

Scan the QR code to let us know what you're bringing, so we can plan our tasty lineup!

Questions? Reach out to Karina, Director of Youth Ministries. (karina.barlow@clcvalpo.org)

Thank you for supporting our awesome youth!

Lent

