




# Light of Christ Lutheran Church



## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

**Sunday School at 10 am (During school year)**  
**Coffee Hour at 10 am - Services at 11 am**

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Prayers for this country, our leaders, law enforcement, fire departments, and EMT's around the country. Prayers for our family, friends, and community.

Pray for persecuted Christians in all places.

Prayers for nursing home and assisted living residents as well as shut-ins. Prayers for the Ukraine.

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**MEMBERSHIP** – Talk to Pastor Kevin if you are interested in becoming a member of our church. Remember to invite your friends and neighbors to “come and see”.



### ONLINE OFFERING now available!



We now offer ONLINE OFFERING on our church website. Just go to [www.locw.org](http://www.locw.org) and look at the bottom of any page. Click the button to securely give to the general fund of Light of Christ. Thank you!



**Bible Study** will be at the church on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Pastor will be away on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Worship Services, Bible Studies, and Newsletters are online!**

**TRINITY's Facebook Page:**  
[www.facebook.com/trinitylcalex](http://www.facebook.com/trinitylcalex)  
**LIGHT OF CHRIST Facebook Page:**  
[www.facebook.com/lightofchristwilliston](http://www.facebook.com/lightofchristwilliston)



**Meet  
for  
Breakfast**

**LOC MONTHLY CHURCH BREAK-FAST : Oct 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 am** in the LOC Fellowship Hall. Please come and enjoy a good breakfast and “mutual consolation of the Saint”. Thank you to the volunteers who prepare the food!

**Sunday School** meets Sundays at 10 am.

There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** on October 23<sup>rd</sup> because of Teacher's Conferences.

**AALC ANNUAL PASTOR'S CONFERENCE:** Pr. Kevin will be in Minnesota from Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup>. Please call if you need anything.

**NO BIBLE BLOCKS** on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.  
**NO CONFIRMATION** on Oct 26<sup>th</sup>.  
**NO BIBLE STUDY** on Oct 26<sup>th</sup>.



## MAYLIN BELL,



4-year-old granddaughter of an LOC member, has an inoperable brainstem tumor and will be receiving radiation in Utah for 6 weeks. Please keep Maylin in your prayers! LOC raised **\$2597** for Maylin! Thank you! Maylin's story can be found at [www.caringbridge.org/visit/maylinbell4](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/maylinbell4)



**THE ANNUAL SOUP AND CHILI SUPPER** AT LOC October 30<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. Come with family and friends to enjoy a meal and judge which meal has the best taste. A nice traveling trophy will be awarded to the winner!

## PASTOR SCOTT YOUNT



**From the pastor:** It turns out that the Scott and Lena Yount are taking a well-deserved sabbatical from their mission work and raising financial support here in the United States. They are scheduled to return to

the Ukraine in the near future to continue God's work among the people. You can donate to the SPIRITUAL ORPHAN NETWORK by going to [www.sonetwork.org](http://www.sonetwork.org) and clicking on the "Ukraine Relief Fund."



## FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN "MOBILE PACK"

Trinity Christian School in Williston is asking churches to show up and help pack simple individual meals for the Ukraine. They are looking to pack 500,000 meals in 3 days. Would you be able to help? Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 11 am, 12 pm – 2 pm, or 3 pm to 5 pm. Come ready to work! 2419 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. In Williston.

### OCTOBER 2022 — READINGS

DATE	1 <sup>ST</sup> LESSON	PSALM	2 <sup>ND</sup> LESSON	GOSPEL
Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hab 1:1-4; 2:1-4	Psa 62	2 Tim 1:1-14	Luke 17:1-10
Oct 9th	Rut 1:1-19a	Psa 111	2 Tim 2:1-13	Luke 17:11-19
Oct 16th	Gen 32:22-30	Psa 121	2 Tim 3:14 — 4:5	Luke 18:1-8
Oct 23rd	Gen 4:1-15	Psa 5	2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-17
Oct 30th	Rev 14:6-7	Psa 46	Rom 3:19-28	John 8:31-36



## SEMINARY SUPPORT SUNDAY –

**Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>** - American Lutheran Theological Seminary (ALTS) is the seminary for the AALC. They have begun a fundraising campaign, **SOLA 500**, to financially support their work of training up future pastors for the AALC.

You can support them at  
[www.alts.edu/sola\\_500](http://www.alts.edu/sola_500)



## BIBLE BLOCKS

### meets on TUESDAYS af-

ter school. Ages K-6<sup>th</sup> grade, snacks at 3 pm, lesson starts at 3:30, finished by 5 pm. Bring your friends! Let pastor know if you'd like to volunteer for this ministry.



**WOMEN OF L.I.F.E. GROUP** meets the 1st Wednesday of each month for Bible Study and prayers during the summer. Please consider attending!  
**October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.**



## LOC CONFIRMATION

The entire schedule for the year is posted on [www.locw.org](http://www.locw.org). 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders make sure to check the schedule and show up to class prepared!



## STEPHEN's MINISTRY:



Light of Christ is becoming a Stephen's Ministry Congregation which means that we will train Stephen Ministers to go out to the sick and homebound to bring one-to-one, Christ-centered care. They have a compassionate heart for those who are hurting, and they're equipped with caring ministry skills by the congregation's Stephen Leaders. A Stephen Minister typically has one care receiver at a time and meets with that person twice a month to listen, care, pray, encourage, and offer emotional and spiritual support.



## BLUE SERVICE GROUP

(Jan, April, July, Oct)

<b>Tommie &amp; Ami Giordano</b>	<b>Steve &amp; Renee Ginther</b>
<b>Ted &amp; Peggy Bearce</b>	<b>Darrin Baker</b>
<b>Dick &amp; Coreen Beard</b>	<b>Scott &amp; Melissa Heller</b>
<b>Kelcie Ginther</b>	<b>Coleen Johnson</b>
<b>Gary &amp; Bev Quale</b>	<b>Stan &amp; Amy Reep</b>
<b>Nick &amp; Jessica Quale</b>	<b>Jed &amp; Melissa Rider</b>

Thank you for your service!



### YFC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pr. Kevin is now a volunteer with the YFC "Campus Life" Ministry and working with high school students. We will be including events in our calendar for middle school and high school kids.



**Worship Services, Bible Studies, Bulletins, and Newsletters are online!**



## BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Giordano .....Oct 6th  
 Gary Quale.....Oct 5th  
 Lisa Sauber.....Oct 9th  
 Elliana Haugen.....Oct 11th  
 Kevin Beard.....Oct 13th  
 Dianne Cummings.....Oct 13th  
 Linda Tofte.....Oct 14th  
 Wendy Hansen.....Oct 22nd  
 Marlys Hoff.....Oct 23rd  
 Jessica Quale.....Oct 26th

## ANNIVERSARIES

Brian & Misty Beard.....Oct 5th  
 Steve & Renee Ginther.....Oct 20th  
 Cody & BreeAnn Shanks.....Oct 22nd

If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed here, please let Pastor know.

## Light of Christ Lutheran Church

### Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 20, 2022

These minutes are abbreviated. If you would like the full minutes, ask a council member.

The meeting was called to order by President Dwight Ebel. Rick made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting, Kim seconded, motion carried.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor has one confirmation student this year. Worship is going well. Sunday School and Bible Blocks are also going well. Bible studies continue to have about four to seven participants attending. There is a Pastor's conference coming up in St. Paul, MN. October 24-27.

The church service on Sunday, November 20, 2022 will be a Polka service with the Jore family. Rumor has it there will be a couple of banjo players also.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rick went over the financial report. The disbursements for the roof and for the kitchen remodel have not yet been completely paid out. We are still waiting for the door frames to arrive. Roger motioned to accept the report, Bev seconded, motion carried.

**Old Business:** Rick and Pastor Kevin have continued to work on a retirement plan for Pastors of LOCLC. They have been working with Thrivent insurance. Thrivent has also suggested a 403b plan document for the church, which would cover additional employees of the church, if hired. Cost of this document would run \$1000. Dianne made a motion to do this, Kim seconded, motion carried.

Our building insurance has gone up from \$6,183. to \$7,225. We have a \$2,500. deductible. Coverage went from 1.7 million to 1.9 million on our building. Roger moved, Matt seconded and motion carried.

On building updates; the roofing is done, waiting on kitchen door frames, PA booth set up next week.

Fall cleaning: Bev will call Plains Window Cleaning to set up indoor/outdoor window cleaning. Kim will talk to the volleyball team about scrubbing our fellowship hall tables and chairs.

**New Business:** Lent begins March 1, 2023. There will be no Bible study during lent as there is a time conflict with our Lenten services being on the same evenings.

A question was asked as to why LOC doesn't pay their organists, as most other churches do. A general discussion among the council members showed they would be in favor of doing this.

Someone suggested that our church vacuum was not the best and we should look into a new one. Discussion. Decide to maintain the filters and see if current equipment will suffice.

Light of Christ has been contacted by the AALC, to help support Abiding Grace Lutheran, in Gillette, WY. They need a Pastor and help financially to call one. It was suggested a commitment of 2 or more AALC suggested a possible amount of \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year from each donating church. The council decided to make a one time gift of \$5,000. to help this church. After a year we will revisit.

Pastor Kevin has been interested in getting a Stephen's Ministry started at LOC. He has been talking to members and has found someone willing to be a leader as well as members willing to be ministers. A motion was made by Bev and seconded by Kim to move forward with this ministry. Motion carried. Pastor Kevin was going to contact the ministry administration to get the exact costs that would be required for training, etc.

Pastor Kevin was asked to consider having LOCLC as a OCC Shoebox drop off point. (Samaritan's Purse Christmas boxes) The drop off dates would be November 14-21. We would set our receiving hours as 4-7 PM on each of those days. Dianne moved, Bev seconded and motion carried.

One request for use of the fellowship hall on May 26, 2023 for a graduation event.

**Our congregational soup and chili cook-off will be held on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 5 PM. The coveted traveling trophy will again be up for grabs!!**

Meeting was adjourned. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 8, 2022

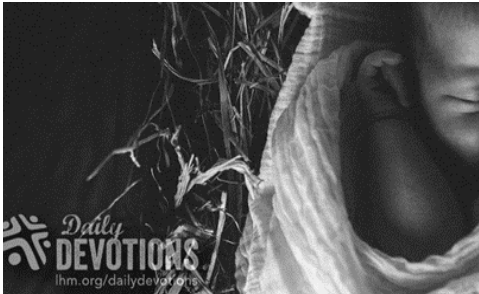
**Supper Host:** Dianne Cummings



# LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

## DEVOTION from LHM.ORG

**Habakkuk 1 & 2** *The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and You will not hear? Or cry to You "Violence!" and You will not save? Why do You make me see iniquity, and*



*why do You idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted. ... I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what He will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. And the LORD answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end-it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith."*

The prophet Habakkuk says exactly the kinds of things I would like to say to God. He's upset with God; he sees that the world around him is filled with violence and evil, and he wants to know why God isn't doing anything. Habakkuk has been praying and crying out to God for help, but it looks like nothing's happening. Evil is winning, and God is silent.

Faced with that situation, many people lose their faith. But Habakkuk does something different. He's going to set himself up like a man on a watchtower and look out toward the horizon, to see if God's answer is on the way. Deep down inside, angry or not, Habakkuk still trusts that God is going to going to hear him.

And God does hear him! An answer is coming—an answer to all this evil. It may seem slow, but God is sending help. And in the meantime, Habakkuk will be waiting and trusting.



What answer did God send? He sent an answer nobody could have predicted—He came Himself, as a tiny human baby, born into our world to save us. Who could expect such a weak person to win the war against evil? And yet He did—not the way we might have expected, through force, but instead through His own suffering, death, and resurrection. The writer of Hebrews explains why Jesus took on our flesh and blood: "that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery" (Hebrews 2:14b-15).

Now, when we grieve over the violence and evil in our world, we have this comfort—that God has seen our distress and has answered us. The evils of this world will have a complete end when Jesus returns in glory. He has already won the war. And so we wait for Him with hope and trust.

**WE PRAY:** Dear Lord, come quickly and bring us Your peace, blessing, and goodness. Amen.

This Daily Devotion was written by Dr. Kari Vo.

### Reflection Questions:

1. Give an example of an evil that causes you to cry out to God for help.
2. How do you find help in God when you suffer?
3. When has God worked through you to help someone else suffering?

## Bible Trivia & Game page

What were the names of the twins who wrestled in their mother's womb? (Gen 25:22-26)

- a) Cain & Abel                      b) Paul & Peter  
c) Jesus & John                      d) Jacob & Esau



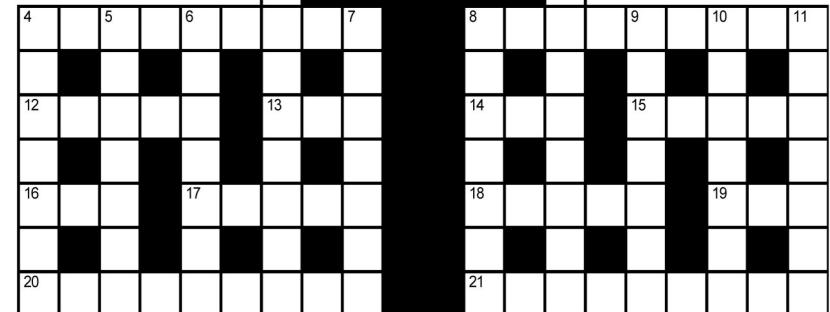
### Bible Crossword X

#### Across

- 1 Donkey (3)  
2 Jesus' Father (3)  
4 One of the twelve (9)

#### Down

- 1 One of God's messengers (5,2,3,4)  
3 1940s archaeological find (4,3,7)



- 8 Didn't believe in resurrection (9)  
12 One of David's warriors (5)  
13 First word of the Lord's Prayer (3)  
14 New Testament name for Noah (3)  
15 Wish harm upon (5)  
16 Hole in the ground (3)  
17 Adversary (5)  
18 Saviour (5)  
19 First woman (3)  
20 Mother of John the Baptist (9)  
21 Family of priests (9)  
22 Third son of Jacob (4)  
23 Hates (8)  
26 Assurances (8)  
30 Endured pain (8)  
31 Return from the dead (4)  
32 Intercessor (8)  
35 Decorating (8)  
39 Old Testament book of the Bible (4)  
40 The prince of Rosh, Mesech and Tubal (3)  
42 A wise insect (3)  
44 Dwelling place of kings (6)  
45 Make bigger (8)

- 4 Tread down (7)  
5 Father of Jonah (7)  
6 Very salty water bordering Israel (4,3)  
7 Defensive structures (11)  
8 Refuges (11)  
9 Dirty (7)  
10 Devout (7)  
11 Pieces of money (7)  
24 Used to listen (3)  
25 Used to see (3)  
26 Positions (5)  
27 Made available (7)  
28 Snake (7)  
29 Destroyed along with Gomorrah (5)  
33 Finish (3)  
34 Possess (3)  
35 King of the Amalekites (4)  
36 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)  
37 Almost sacrificed by Abraham (5)  
38 Present (4)  
41 Unfasten (4)  
43 Fish traps (4)

# October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 11 am Worship service Communion	3 5:30 pm First Communion and YFC Campus Life	4 3pm Bible Blocks	5 7pm WOL meets	6	7	8 9 am Church breakfast Fellow- ship Hall
9 11 am Worship service	10 5:30 pm YFC Campus Life	11 3:30 pm Bible Blocks	12 4 pm Confirmation 7 pm Bible study	13	14	15
16 11am Worship service Communion	17 5:30 pm First Commu- nion and YFC	18 3:30 pm Bible Blocks	19	20	21	22
23 11 am Worship service. 10:30 am Next Service Group meets	24 5:30 pm YFC Campus Life  <b>Pastor gone</b>	25 NO Bible Blocks today  <b>Pastor gone</b>	26 NO Confir- mation or Bible Study today  <b>Pastor gone</b>	27	28	29
30 11 Worship 5-7 pm soup and chili supper	31 5:30 pm YFC Campus Life					Trivia answer  D. Jacob and Esau



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