

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We are called to serve others as we minister to all who enter our doors, providing worship, prayer, fellowship and service to others. Our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, marital status, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic conditions, physical or mental ability. We rejoice in the amazing diversity of God's creation, which enriches, nurtures, and expands our life and ministry. We are committed to continuously learning, teaching, and sharing our faith. Christ the Servant is a *Reconciling in Christ Congregation*.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY – February 5, 2012



WELCOME VISITORS & GUESTS!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Christ-centered and Spirit-led, we seek to welcome all people into a life-giving relationship with Jesus Christ and with one another. We would love to hear your thoughts on your experience at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church. Please visit our website and look for the 'Council Corner' post under "Current Events" to share your experience. God bless you, and we hope you will return soon!

Please visit us at www.ctsonline.org for more information, our newsletter & audio sermons.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sat.	2/4	5:30 pm	Taize Service
Sun.	2/5		5th Sunday After Epiphany
		8:00 am	Traditional Service
		9:15 am	Education Hour
		10:30 am	Contemporary Service
		11:45 am	HS New Orleans YG Meeting
Mon.	2/6	7:00 pm	Committee Night
		7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tue.	2/7	Noon	Bulletin Deadline
		6:00 pm	HS Oh-ey-sis
Wed.	2/8	7:00 pm	Contemporary Band Practice
Thur.	2/9	5:30 pm	Confirmation
Sat.	2/11	10:00 am	PBJ & Mittens Ministry
		10:30 am	Women's Ministry Red Hats
		5:30 pm	Taize Service
Sun.	2/12		6th Sunday After Epiphany
		8:00 am	Traditional Service
		9:15 am	Education Hour
		10:30 am	Contemporary Service
		Noon	Youth Band Practice

BLESSINGS & BURDENS



If you have burdens or blessings you want to share with the congregation, please leave a message for Lisa (303-666-4655, ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net), write a note on your attendance card, or e-mail the Christ the Servant Prayer Chain (ctsprayers@gmail.com).

Please pray for: **Diane**. * **Chelsea**. * **Monica Ross**, fighting breast cancer. * The Miller Family, **Scott, Tyra, Jessica, Kacey** and **Kyle**, and Lisa's parents, **Pat** and **Nancy**. * **Connie**. * **Nici Davis**. * **Pat Lehman**, grant her strength and healing. * **Pam**. * **Irene Baumgartner**. * **Nicole**. * **Debbie**. * **Sarah**. * **Dakota**. * **Will**. * **Ian**. * **Gabe**. * **Sage**. * **Emily**. * **Jodie**.

SOUPER BOWL

It's SOUPER Bowl Time! This year the 4th/5th grade Sunday School kids will be coordinating the gathering of the canned soup for the 2012 "Souper Bowl Sunday." You are invited to bring canned soup (or vegetables) TODAY Feb. 5th. The items will be donated to local food banks. The barrels have been decorated by the 4th/5th graders with the Super Bowl teams and displayed in the entryway. Vote for your favorite team by placing your canned items in their barrel!

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp Fundraiser – Please pick up a flyer in the Narthex and **eat at California Pizza Kitchen on February 7th**. If you present the flyer to your server, **20% of your check will be donated to Rainbow Trail**. Purchases include dine-in, take-out, catering and all beverages! See flyer for California Pizza Kitchen locations. Thank you!

ALL CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS

PB&J and Mittens February 11th 10:00am-2:00pm! A service opportunity for all ages. We will be making PB&J sandwiches (as part of a bag lunch) and then traveling to Denver to share them with folks on the street along with the items collected from the Mitten Tree. NOTE: We are still in need of warm men's gloves to be shared with the guys on the streets of Denver during this event. Bring your family and join us! Please see the Sign Me Up board for sign up. Questions? See Kayla.

FELLOWSHIP

Red Hats – Treat your special someone to gourmet chocolates, olives, or cheeses from around the world this Valentine's Day! Sample, shop, and enjoy a tasty lunch at the **Cheese Warehouse in Longmont**. We'll carpool from church on **February 11th at 10:30am**. RSVP Sharon Grove, the queen mum (artsy808@hotmail.com).

God, Girlfriends and Chocolate: Did you know that on the 7th day, before God rested, he created chocolate? Mark your calendars now for our Women's Retreat, March 2-4. You are invited to join the women of CTS as we explore how richly, extravagantly, and surprisingly God indulges us with his love and grace. What better metaphor for grace is there than chocolate? We will walk with each other through Bible study, nature walks, games and free time exploring how God's grace is a gift. **REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE SUNDAY, FEB. 5TH!**

YOUTH

It's Mardi Gras time! You are invited to an evening of New Orleans cuisine, live music by the band Blue Krewe, and a silent auction all benefiting the HS youth's trip to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. It has been several years since Katrina hit the New Orleans area, but it will take years to rebuild the city. Our youth, along with thousands of other youth, will help New Orleans become who they once were. **So, mark your calendars for Friday, February 24th, 6:30 to 10:00pm for an evening of FUN for the whole family. Tickets are on sale NOW through February 17th in the Narthex.** Pricing is \$25/adult, \$10/child, or \$50/family. Tickets will also be available through the church office during the week.

CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CTS

YOUTH

HS YOUTH: Oh-ey-sis on Tuesdays at 6:00pm. We are looking for folks who might be willing to help provide a meal. Please see the youth board for sign-up if you are interested and willing to help provide a meal Tuesday nights.

MS YOUTH: Be there Thursday nights for Confirmation 5:30-7:15pm as we dig into the Old Testament. Please contact Kayla with questions (pblovinlutheran@yahoo.com).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We need you!! We still have openings for the **2011/2012 Children's Sunday School** rotations. Please see the sign-up posted and share your love of Jesus with our little ones. Unit 5 – February 26th thru March 18th and needs 4 Rotation Leaders. Unit 6 – April 15th thru May 6th and needs 3 Rotation Leaders.

Children's Sermon Leaders Needed: Share your love of God with our children! We need volunteers to lead the children's sermon once per month at the 10:30am service. Contact Lewanne Graeber (lewanegraeber@comcast.net).

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday Fellowship Hall Discussion – Did you know CTS has a summer family camping weekend at Sky Ranch? Did you know that Sky Ranch offers summer kids programs? Join us TODAY, February 5th, in the Fellowship Hall to hear Brad Abbott, Sky Ranch Director, tell us more about the wonderful ministry that is happening at Sky Ranch, one of our Colorado Lutheran Camps. Find out about ways you can join us in being partners with Sky Ranch.

Sunday Book Study – Come and join Debbie Kinz for a book study February 12th, 19th, 26th and March 4th. We will be reading *Tattoos on the Heart*, by Gregory Boyle, who is the founder of Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in LA. In the book he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of parables inspired by faith. Arranged by theme, these essays offer a stirring look at how full our lives could be if we could find the joy in loving others and in being loved unconditionally. 10 books have been ordered, please contact Debbie (dskrun@yahoo.com) to reserve your copy and share this experience together!

Habitat for Humanity, February 26th – Flatirons Habitat for Humanity Faith Relations Manager, Catherine Balance, and new Coal Creek Village Habitat homeowner, Julie Mensik, will be our guests for this education hour. We will hear first hand from Julie what owning a Habitat home has meant to her family. Also, come to learn more about what Habitat is doing in our community and around the world.

FELLOWSHIP

Women's Book Club – We will meet at the home of Ann Brandt (1025 Emerald Street, Broomfield) on Friday, February 24th at 6:30pm. The book to be discussed is *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle*. It is a long book so allow plenty of time for reading. Hope to see you there!

Sky Ranch WEEKEND Camp, July 13-15, 2012!! We will join together for a weekend of fun at camp! Activities, meals, hiking and getting to know one another. It will be a great weekend! Sign up on the board in the Fellowship Hall and take a registration form! Questions? Contact Kayla Aspeslagh.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Wanted for February: Sister Carmen Center provides year-round support to area families in need. Consider donating the following to the Blue Barrel this month: **peanut butter, jelly, juice, and cereal.**

CTS BLOOD DRIVE – Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 17th for the next Bonfils Blood Drive. The Bloodmobile will be at CTS that afternoon and appointments are available between 1:00-2:40pm and 4:00-6:30pm. You can reserve an appointment on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Be sure to tell your family and friends about the drive. Each pint of blood you donate can save up to three lives!

Used Magazine Collection – After you've completed reading your magazines, please put them in the box in the Fellowship Hall labeled 'MAGAZINES.' They will be distributed to senior/retirement homes in the area. Thank you, the OES Committee.

LENT

CTS Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner – The day before Lent, also known as Fat Tuesday, predated the Reformation and referred to the common Christian tradition of eating special rich foods before the fasting season of Lent. To celebrate that, we are going to have a **Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 21st, 6:00-8:00pm.** The HS youth will be cooking but we love help. We will also be seeking donations for the meal, see the sign up board for more info. Gluten free option will be available.

Lenten Soup Suppers: You are invited to join in fellowship of soup followed by the weekly Lenten service starting Wednesday, February 29th and running through March 28th. Soup will be served at 6:00pm with the service starting at 7:00pm. Please sign up to bring soup or cheese and bread on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Contact Judy Myra (judy.myra@comcast.net) with questions.

GREEN RIVER MISSION TRIP

Calling anyone Middle School age or older who wants to make a difference in a really cool town that has a lot of need!!! We will join a few other churches from Boulder for a mission trip to Green River, UT during Spring Break 2012, March 24-28 or March 27-31 (we have two options this year). Cost: \$125 for the five day trip (food, housing, transportation, supplies); you may also stay in a local hotel at an extra cost. Join our informational meeting on February 12th at 11:45am; deadline for registering with payment is March 4th. See Kayla with any questions. This is a great opportunity!

WORSHIP

The 2012 Flower Chart is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign your name and the event for the flowers dedication in the bulletins. Payment envelopes are by the flower chart. Cost is \$24, please note 'flowers' in the memo line. Thank you!

COUNCIL CORNER

We would like to know "What's on Your Mind" – A communication tool is now on our website for you to share your thoughts with Church Council. **Look for the 'Council Corner' post under "Current Events" on the CTS home page and click it!** All council members will have access to this site.

CTS MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND

If you're interested in making an estate gift to the Christ the Servant Lutheran Church Mission Endowment Fund, confidential assistance from qualified professionals is available. * Honor a loved one with a memorial gift created in your will. *

COUPLES CLASS

Hold Me Tight – a couple's education class Sundays Feb. 12 – March 18, 5:30pm-8:30pm at CTS. Cost for this 6 week class is \$300/ couple and includes all class materials. Take this opportunity to deepen your relationship, rekindle the passion and increase the intimacy in your most important love relationship. This class is for engaged, married, long-term relationship couples seeking to gain new understanding, insight, and tools to strengthen their relationship. For questions or further information and to register call Margot (720-427-8352) or e-mail margot@clearlyyouconsulting.com.

CHURCH REPORT

2012 YTD Attendance Average: 193			
2011 YTD Attendance Average: 213			
2010 YTD Attendance Average: 214			
Last Week: Sat 5:30 – 22; Sun 8:00 – 58, 10:30 – 122			
Offerings received (December) – \$47,346			
YTD (Oct - Dec)	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Income*:	\$122,226	\$141,996	<\$ 19,770>
Expenses:	\$125,700	\$128,704	<\$ 3,003>
Variance <Loss>:	<\$ 3,474>	\$ 13,292	\$ 16,766
Monthly (December)	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Income*:	\$ 47,346	\$ 55,254	<\$ 7,908>
Expenses:	\$ 46,667	\$ 47,700	<\$ 1,033>
Variance <Loss>:	\$ 679	\$ 7,554	<\$ 6,875>

*Please note that our income receipt budget is based on a curve from previous year's giving, and fluctuates from month to month. Expenses are budgeted equally each month. Summer income is historically lower, while expenses will remain the same.