



**Community
In Christ
Lutheran Church**

CIC NEWS

April 2025

Serving the Lake Norman area since 1977

A newsletter published for the members and friends of Community In Christ Lutheran Church, 7621 Norman Island Drive, Cornelius, NC 28031 704-892-0120 email: swheeler@communityinchrist.net www.communityinchrist.org

Worship Update

Sundays April 6, 13, & 27:

- 9 a.m. Worship (Contemporary & Livestreamed)
- 10 a.m. Sunday School (begins in Narthex), Coffee Cart (Narthex)
- 11 a.m. Worship (Traditional)

**Holy Week & Easter
at
Community in Christ Lutheran Church**

Maundy Thursday, April 17th, 2025
7pm
livestreamed

Good Friday, April 18th, 2025
Noon & 7pm
(7pm livestreamed)

Easter Sunday, April 20th, 2025
Worship: 9am & 11am
(9am livestreamed)
Children's Egg Hunt: 10:20am



**Remaining Midweek
Lenten Worship Calendar**

**6 pm Meal & 7 pm Worship each week
(livestreamed)**

~The free-will offering for the meal each week supports CIC outreach partners.~

Wednesday, April 2nd
***Lutheran Disaster Response Carolinas**

Wednesday, April 9th
***Bags of Hope Lake Norman**



As you arrive at worship on Easter Sunday, you are invited to place a flower in the outdoor cross as we all enjoy the beautiful reminder of the gift of the resurrection!

Easter Flower Order Forms are available in the bulletin or the church office through April 13th. Cost per plant is \$10 payable online or in the offering plate (please note Easter flower in the memo line on checks)

You are welcome to take home Easter flowers following the 11 a.m. Easter service. If any Easter flowers are remaining after Easter Sunday, please take them to enjoy at home following worship on Sunday, April 27th.

From the Pastors.....

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been; love is come again like wheat arising grain...Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain, he that for three days in the grave had lain; raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen; love is come again like wheat arising green.

~Now the Green Blade Rises, ELW 379, verses 1 & 3

The official season of spring is here (hooray!). We have had some truly beautiful days recently and many trees and flowers are starting to show off their colors for us. As exciting as this seasonal transition is, we absolutely froze at a baseball scrimmage last night. It's the coldest we've been in quite a while, reminding us that waves (and wind!) of winter can still hit us.

For us, part of the lingering feelings of winter, outside of the freezing wind at baseball games, is how late Easter is this year. Just a year ago, we were shouting and singing "Alleluia, Christ is Risen" on March 31st. On our current trip around the sun, Easter isn't until April 20th.

These factors, along with many others (!), make everything seem off right now. It's like the gift of resurrection has been delayed this year. Which, in some ways, it has been. In other ways, the gift of resurrection is as it always is—predictably unpredictable.

We do literally mark our calendars as to when "spring" begins as well as when we'll officially gather together to celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter. But that doesn't mean that on those dates we'll experience new life shooting out of the ground or within our own lives. Despite what the calendar says, it might very well still look and feel like cold, barren, winter for us.

The promise is that new life is coming, love will come again. It just takes time—an unknown amount of time. And that's the kicker. When referring to new life, we routinely reference lengths of time such as 3 days (Good Friday to Easter), 40 days (Lent to Easter), 9 months (typical pregnancy), and 3.5 months (length of winter in LKN). But we don't really know when new life will arrive, which can be horribly difficult at points.

What can help us as we await whatever new life we're looking for is to be in community together. Because, as we come together in worship and fellowship, we can remind each other of God's promises. Through the reading of God's Word, and in the preaching, and singing of worship, we can recall some of those longer winters of the past and how, in time, the chill from the air dissipates and the barren trees become beautifully full clusters of green leaves.

That's what God does with creation and that's what God does with us. God takes what is cold and empty, and God transforms it into something full of life.

As much as we'd like to predict when God will raise that fresh green blade within our lives and world, we can't "set our watches" to this sacred work. However, we can predict it will happen. New life, new love will come. In Christ, winter always gives way to spring, death always gives way to new life.

While we eagerly await that time, how about we continue to do what we can to remind each other of this hope and promise? New life is coming!

God's Peace Be With You,
Pastor Michael & Pastor Lisa



A Note from your music team:



Sending a huge thank you to the talented youth who participated in our Youth Talent Showcase on March 23! Hannah English, Wyatt Nadeau, and Kayla Zicco participated from CIC and all performed beautifully! We had other young musicians from outside the church participate as well. It was a great afternoon of music and one we will be repeating in the near future. Thank you to those of you who came out in support of these young musicians.

Your choir is working hard preparing songs to enrich our Holy Week and Easter experience here at CIC. We will be bringing in some guest musicians and we also have a special Palm Sunday treat planned. As always, the choir is open for new members! We would love to have you join us.

Some encouraging words from.....well, John Denver! "Music does bring people together. It allows us to experience the same emotion. People everywhere are the same in heart and spirit—no matter what language we speak, or our color or politics. Regardless of our expression of love and faith, music proves we are the same."

Blessings – Sherry



Stephanie Burke, ELCA Regional Gift Planner for the Carolinas

Stephanie was with us in the fall and shared a presentation on generosity and planned giving. Stephanie will return to CIC on April 6th between services and will provide more details surrounding how to craft a Legacy Plan that supports their loved ones AND tells their faith story far into the future. If you want to view Stephanie's original presentation, follow the QR code or click on the image.



Office & Staff Information

We encourage calling and emailing to schedule appointments.

Pastor Lisa – [*pastorlisa@communityinchrist.net*](mailto:pastorlisa@communityinchrist.net)

Pastor Michael – [*pastormichael@communityinchrist.net*](mailto:pastormichael@communityinchrist.net)

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Preschool Director, Sharon Fuller—[*sfuller9564@gmail.com*](mailto:sfuller9564@gmail.com)

Office Update

- ⇒ The church office will be closed on Monday, April 21st.
- ⇒ Pastor Lisa will be traveling with the Greece tour group beginning Wednesday, April 23rd.
- ⇒ Pastor Michael will be out of the office, Monday, April 28th, through Monday, May 5th.

Have you joined CIC's new online photo directory yet?

The directory is through a program called Church Center, which is also an app.

Follow the QR code to get started.

If you need assistance, reach out to the church office for help.



Ways to Give of Tithes and Offerings at CIC:



1. Online/Direct Withdrawal

- A. Go to www.communityinchrist.org & click on the “donate now” button in the upper right-hand corner.
- B. Select “Create Profile”
- C. Provide your email address
- D. Create your profile and provide the various pieces of information. Once your profile is created, you can select what types of giving you would like sign-up for.

**When considering this option, please note that church incurs an additional service charge for debit and credit card fees.*

2. Mail In: We have a locked mailbox at CIC that is checked frequently. CIC’s address is 7621 Norman Island Drive, Cornelius, NC 28031

3. Offering Plate: The ushers provide an opportunity for you to place your offering in the offering plate during worship.

4. Are you a Thrivent Financial member? You may be eligible to designate Thrivent Choice Dollars to enrolled non-profits that you care about – including our church! Feel free to contact your Thrivent agent to check your eligibility! We appreciate your support of CIC’s ministry through Choice Dollars!

Stock Account—Have you ever thought about giving the gift of stocks, mutual funds, or IRAs? CIC has a resource available through Thrivent Financial to transfer these funds to the church into a charitable, tax-free gift account. If you would like to learn more about this possibility or have questions please contact Gary Samuelson (704-506-3234) and/or Madalyn Wilkinson at financedirector@communityinchrist.net.

Office Communication: Please be in touch with Stephanie in the church office (swheeler@communityinchrist.net) about the following:

- If you read the newsletter online and prefer that it no longer be mailed to your physical address.
- If you have switched to giving primarily through digital means and no longer have a need for physical envelopes.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO UPDATE YOUR CREDIT CARD EXPIRATION DATE IF YOU ARE SET UP FOR AUTO DEDUCTION ON OUR WEBSITE.

Living Lutheran Magazine is back in print! The ELCA has found a way to bring Living Lutheran back to print. Each issue (spring, summer, winter and fall) will feature the stories you know and love, along with updates on the church and your ELCA community. The cost for one year will be \$19.95 for an individual subscription. If you are interested, go here to sign up for a subscription: <https://www.livinglutheran.org/subscribe/>



Prayers

Prayers for Members: Gary Salzman, Suzette Iskander, Janet Shuping, Betty Classey, Gregg Bottemiller, Lucy Price, Joyce Phelps, Shirley McNeilis, Blaire Hart, Warren Hamby, Anne Randolph, John Iversen, Ron Major, Ron Raper, Deb Myers, Karen Frank, Bill Rockwood, Brenda Tripathi, Woody Barefoot, Carl Yost, Rosalind Greenberg, Judi LaBuda, Bob Shugarman, Mary Anne Merkel, Dane Horna, Mary Beth Ball, J.J. McNeilis, Gary Kautz, Linda Snyder, Kerem Saral

Prayers for friends & relatives of members: Jon Hearn (friend of Jim and Robin Konieczny), Scott Babcock (friend of Bob Shugarman), Barbara Elsass (family of Diana Elsass), Nancy Short (Rod Short’s mother), Dorothy Hoefflinger (Friend of Ed Bauer), Matt Woodell (Carol Moser’s cousin’s son-in-law), Joyce Kelly (Stelly Ryan’s sister), Donna, Craig, Bev & Jeff (friend’s of Mary Lou Blevins), Edison & Mary Speck (Liann Musano’s parents), Dave Frank (Andy Frank’s brother), Maja Ferrari and the family of Melissa Middlethon (friends of Karen Zicco)

Prayers for all active duty military personnel and their families, healthcare workers, first responders and public servants (Community In Christ thanks you and continues to pray for you)

The Lay Pastors meet monthly to pray for all people on the list. They also send out cards letting them know they have been prayed for. Please provide addresses to send the cards. Please submit all prayer requests to the office: 704-892-020 or swheeler@communityinchrist.net.

Group Ministry News.....

Tuesday Morning CIC Bible Study: Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 a.m. in the Narthex. There will be no Bible Study on April 22nd.

April Grocery Cart: In April we will once again partner with CIC's preschool to collect items for the Bags of Hope program. Bags of Hope is a non-profit ministry that provides weekend food provisions to school children in the Lake Norman area who experience food insecurity. During April we will be collecting **Granola Bars**. This month when you're grocery shopping consider getting some granola bars to add to the CIC grocery. Any variety will do and protein bars are a great option too. Thank you for your continued support to our grocery cart collections. Your generosity makes a difference in our community!

Happy Times Seniors: We will meet this month on Wednesday, April 16th, at 11:30 a.m. at The Cheesecake Factory in Birkdale. Please join us! For more information contact Ron Major at 704-622-0517 or hunterron35@hotmail.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Happy Spring!! The CIC Prayer Shawl Ministry crafts prayer shawls, hats/scarf sets, blankets, and prayer clothes for those in need. If you like to knit or crochet - or would like to learn how - please join us! We could certainly use your help. No experience necessary!!!! The group and its activities are open to all CIC members, friends, and visitors regardless of age or ability. Just contact Kathy Dutton (see email address below) and she will add your name to the group email list and keep you informed. In April we will change our focus to crafting shawls and blankets. We meet in person at CIC on Wednesday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the CIC Parlor, the room with the comfy furniture near the Spirit Center. Plan to join us if you can for some fellowship, idea-sharing, and fun! Of course, you can also participate in this important ministry at home by crafting items, and bringing them to CIC. If you have any questions, or would like more information, contact Kathy Dutton mamabissy@gmail.com or Diana Elsass dianaelsass@gmail.com.

Card Ministry News: Happy Spring! Consider springing into action and join the CIC Card Ministry team! We create cards that serve as physical reminders of God's love, support and presence in our lives. All are welcome and no experience is needed! We will meet twice in April to make cards and enjoy fellowship with one another. We'll be meeting Tuesday, April 8th, at 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday, April 29th, at 6:30 p.m. in Classroom #1. Participants are asked to enter through the doors nearest the Spirit Center. Need more information? Contact: Kathy Shugarman at 940-300-2290 or shugs02@gmail.com. Thank you to everyone who supports the card ministry through your prayers, working hands and purchase and sending out our cards.

Quilting Ministry: The quilt ministry will meet on Thursdays, April 10th & 24th, at 10:00 a.m. in Classroom #1. Anyone interested in quilting, no matter how experienced, is invited to join us. Come check us out. Everyone is welcome! Please call Barbara Eaker @ (704) 451-5922 with any questions or suggestions.

The 5:11s (women's group): All women of CIC are welcome to The 5:11s. Based upon 1st Thessalonians 5:11, we are a women's group that "encourages one another and builds one another up, just as you are doing." There will be no meeting in April, we will meet again on May 18th to discuss plans for the summer. Contact Jill Brooks or Tracy Lyon with any questions at Jlbrooks@gmail.com or vikingtk@hotmail.com.

CIC Softball: Softball Game Schedule: March 30 at 2 p.m. in Field 2, April 6 at 2 p.m. in Field 1, April 13-25 Tournament. Games are played at North Mecklenburg Park on Old Statesville Road.



April 23rd - May 3rd

Pray for us as we follow

Journeys of Paul
IN GREECE & TURKIYE

Pastor Lisa, Mary Lou, Tom, Lynn, Carol, Lianna, Chris, Pam, & Jean

THANK YOU!

Total Raised: ~~\$5,203~~
\$5,803

UPDATE

We deeply appreciate the incredible generosity of the Community in Christ Lutheran Church.

Your unwavering support has enriched the lives of the clients in the LSC New Americans Program.

Your faith and kindness have made a significant and lasting impact, and we are truly blessed to have you as partners in this mission. Thank you for embodying the spirit of compassion and community.



LUTHERAN SERVICES
CAROLINAS

If you would still like to donate to LSC's continued welcoming efforts, you can do so at <https://lscarolinas.net/donate-to-refugee-services/> or by mailing a check to LSC at P.O. Box 947, Salisbury, NC 28145 with "Continuing the Welcome Fund" in the memo line.

Camp Agapé Golf Outing

Support a great cause while enjoying the fun and fellowship of a day on the Lochmere Golf Course in Cary, on Monday, May 19th! Why? Help us bring kids to camp this summer! Funds raised in this Golf Event will be used to provide camperships to attend camp and for program development. It is our policy that no one is turned away from camp programs due to a lack of funds. For more info and to register visit:

AGAPÉ † KURE BEACH MINISTRIES

GOLF Outing

JOIN US MAY 19TH

AT LOCHMERE GOLF CLUB



HELP SEND KIDS
TO CAMP!

SUPPORT CAMPSHIP FUNDS
& PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT!



REGISTER TODAY!
bit.ly/3S9wL55



The Women's Retreat participants are grateful to have spent the weekend with theologian, author, public speaker, and friend, Dr. Jacqueline Bussie, at Camp Agapé with so many women and friends of CIC. With a pound of moving and thought-provoking presentations, 3 cups of heartfelt conversations, 2 Tablespoons of enormous laughter, an ounce of genuine sincerity, and a dash of memory-making to taste, a weekend of hope, tears, smiles, love, and growing in faith was simmered gently through the days. We are committed to be authentic in our love and action and asking of questions. We will strive to love without limits with no asterisks or exceptions. We will let other people guide us home when our GPS is down. We will work toward using our fingers for mending and not pointing. We will remember that we are _____ miracles! We will turn to our Hope Recipes when they are needed and edit them as necessary. Learn more about Jacqueline and her books here: www.jacquelinebussie.com and ask any of the women in this picture about their experience!

youth, ages rising 1st to rising 8th grades, join us this summer at

AGAPE DAY CAMP

@ Community in Christ!

Cost

June 16-20
9am-3pm on Mon-Thurs
9am-Noon on Friday

Service-learning activities for middle school youth each

-\$100 for 1 child
-\$190 total for 2 children same family
-\$275 for 3 children same family
*limited to 32 participants

AGAPE KURE BEACH MINISTRIES

Questions? Contact Pastor Lisa

Agape Day Camp is coming to CIC June 16th-20th!

What is Agapé Day Camp? Agapé Day Camp is run through the summer programming at Agapé † Kure Beach Ministries, an outdoor ministry of the NC Synod. The counselors travel to us to lead the campers in songs, games, Bible Studies, nature activities, crafts, and both Biblically- based as well as silly skits. They bring outdoor ministries to us! The Middle School program is an opportunity for youth to grow and give back to the community. Agape provides team building exercises and challenges while the congregation arranges at least three service-learning opportunities (TBD and likely off-site) throughout the week.

When is Agapé Day Camp? Monday, June 16th through Friday, June 20th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Mon-Thurs) and 9 a.m. to Noon (Fri) at Community in Christ. There is an optional, but very fun, program on Thursday evening (the 22nd) where the kids have a chance to

show off what they have learned throughout the week and you get to meet the counselors!

Who attends Agapé Day Camp? Children entering grades 1 to 8 in the 2025-2026 school year. Maximum capacity for the camp is 32 campers!

How do I register? Complete the attached form: Summer Day Camp Registration Form/Profile Information. Turn in the Registration Fee. **How?** A check written out to Community in Christ with "Agape Day Camp" in the memo line. Online under the "Agape Day Camp" selection in the "Donate Now" option at www.communityinchrist.org

Amount: 1 child - \$100 for the week/ 2 children from same household - \$190 for the week/ 3 children from same household - \$275 for the week. *The cost of Agape Day Camp is subsidized by CIC's Annual Golf Outing. Submission of the form and the payment completes registration. Paperwork and payment can be turned into the church office or to Pastor Lisa. A Health History Form will be completed at a later date. Find the registration form here!:



Interested in supporting our NC camps? Here a couple ways!

In 2025 Lutheridge will celebrate its 75th Birthday!

Lutheridge Birthday Banquet

Friday, May 2, 2025 at 5:00pm

Location: Lutheridge Faith Center

Honored Guest: ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Hosts: Sandra Cline & Bishop Tim Smith

Emcee: Bishop Kevin Strickland

Join friends and guests for a special night of fellowship in celebration of the Lutheridge 75th Birthday. The evening will feature a social hour, banquet meal, greetings from Presiding Bishop Eaton, and updates from Lutheridge and NovusWay staff. Overnight accommodations onsite will be available.



Register here!

Donate Here!



Sunday School

On Sunday, March 2nd, there is NO Sunday School ... but all children and families are invited to head over to the Fellowship Hall between services for the Shrove Pancake breakfast! There will be an activity for youth ... and a prize!

Children's Sunday School meets between services April 6th, 13th, & 27th! On Sunday, April 20th, Easter Sunday, join in the Easter Egg Hunt fun at 10:20am! Weather permitting, meet by the ark!

Confirmation: The Confirmation students continue with their Lenten projects through Easter! Class resumes on Sunday, April 27th.

Senior High Helping out at Angels and Sparrows: Be on the lookout for more information about helping to beautify the grounds at Angels and Sparrows in the near future.



Having received instruction on God's gift of grace and learning how God shares love with us in this meal, the following youth will celebrate Holy Communion this year.

**Clara Beery
Dakota Burick
Charlie Loomis
Jackson Loomis
Sophie Loomis
Rhett Rector
Charlotte Suber**

The apostle Paul writes *"I pray that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."*

~Ephesians 3:17-19



CIC



Weekday Preschool

Preschool Director: Sharon Fuller
704-892-0120 ext 104
sfuller9564@gmail.com

Preschool Registration for 2025/2026: Registration is open! **Child must be classroom age by August 31st, 2025, or December 31st, 2025, for TK**

Tuitions for 2025/2026: \$320.00 for 2-year-old classes, \$300 for 3-year-old classes, \$350.00 for 4-year-old & PK class and \$360 for TK class. Tuition is due on the 1st of the month, with September's tuition along with the supply fee of \$55, and is due on May 1st, 2025.

- CIC Preschool is not equipped to teach children with special needs.
- All 3-, 4- & 5-year-old children must be toilet trained by the first day of class.
- Scholarships are available for eligible families. Please see the director for details.
- We offer a 10% discount on tuition for families with multiple preschool children.



*****The CIC Weekday Preschool also has CURRENT openings for the remainder of this school year: *****

One 2 year old, one 3-year-old, four 4-year-olds, three Pre-Ks, four TKs.

Please share with your friends and have them reach out to the preschool today to learn more! Currently enrolled families who refer a new family will receive a \$25 discount on their next month's tuition!

Referrals from non-preschool families receive a \$25 Amazon gift card!

Summer Camp

Registration for summer camp is now open. Each camp session is \$170 with a \$85 non-refundable registration fee that will hold your child's spot in the camp. This fee will be applied to the total camp cost and the balance of \$85 for each camp is due 2 weeks prior to that camp.

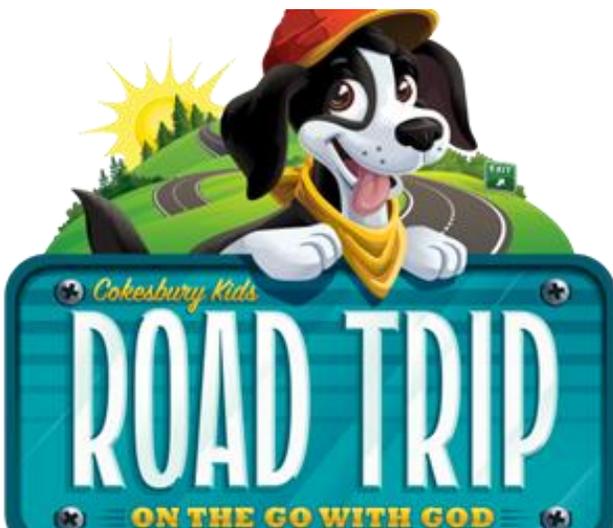
Camp dates & themes are: June 2-5—Beach Blast, June 23-26—Little Explorers, July 14-17—Tiny Picassos and August 4-7—Disney Adventures. All camps run from 9:05 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Please call or email Sharon Fuller (sfuller9546@gmail.com) for more details, refer to our website (communityinchrist.org) for an online registration form or follow the QR code above.

Summer camp!

Summer camp registrations are open! Check out the summer schedules for the Lutheran camps in North Carolina and see what works for you! The pastors are always happy to talk camp with you if have any questions! Similarly, all camps are in need of great summer staff! If you know a college-age young adult looking for a meaningful and fun summer job, have them reach out to the camps or refer them to the pastors!

Summer Camp - Agape Kure Beach Lutheran Summer Camps | Lutherock In North Carolina



TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED FOR ON THE OPEN ROAD VBS

July 27 – July 31

We need YOU to join us
“On the Go with God”

Please prayerfully consider volunteering and
Joining us as we explore Trusting God to always be with us!

Roles Available:

Station Assistants: Lend a helping hand to the Station Leader
(Great opportunity for our Middle and High School Volunteers)

Drivers: Greet and Shepherd your group of Travelers safely
between stations while building a strong bond with them.

Camp Road Trip Volunteers: Help out in any way you can...even from home.

Decoration Volunteers: Lend helping hands to the Decoration Leader
(Workday is usually the day before event begins)

To sign up for opportunities to serve, lead,
and most of all, HAVE FUN at
ROAD TRIP VBS 2025...

Please contact Suzi Hinrichs or Kathy Shugarman with questions
suzihinrichs@gmail.com or shugs02@gmail.com

Registration will open on May 1, 2025 with more information in the May Newsletter.

Finance Page

February gifts brought in \$51.4k (YTD \$374.4k), which helped us surpass our budget goal for Member Contributions and allowed to close the bottom line gap. We ended the month with a small Surplus. The Preschool continues with 42 kids enrolled; 3 months remain in the regular school year. Total Preschool Revenue was \$14.4k (\$95.6k YTD). Registration for the 2025-26 school year is in full swing. We already have 43 students enrolled. Total Revenues for the month were \$68.7k. YTD we are at \$478.4k. On the spending side we saw the following: Synod Benevolence \$5.7k, Worship – Lent Devotionals \$0.4k, Witness – Fellowship – Softball team registration \$0.3k, Computer Software \$0.8k, included annual Carbonite backup subscription and Planning Center; Fire/Security – Annual monitoring service \$0.4k, Utilities Electric \$3k, cold temps in Feb. Music – Instrument Maintenance, piano tuning \$0.2k, Guest Musician – sub during Sherry’s trip \$0.2k. Additionally, we used \$2.2k from Emergency funds for mold remediation and repairs in Pastor Lisa’s office. Using prior year IN money we purchased \$0.5k in equipment for the Congregation softball team. Using prior year OUT money we made a \$0.3k gift to East Lincoln Christian Ministries. February Surplus was \$9.1K. YTD we are now at a Surplus of \$5.9k as mentioned above. ~Madalyn Wilkinson, Finance

Community in Christ Lutheran Church Ministry Plan	July 24-June 25 Budget	February 2025 Actual	% of Budget
<i>Revenues</i>			
Member Contributions	\$522,000	\$374,452	72%
Preschool Revenue <i>Preschool tuition and fees</i>	168,415	95,575	57%
Other Revenue <i>Bank interest, Facility usage, credit card rewards</i>	23,910	8,402	35%
Total Revenues	714,325	478,429	67%
<i>Expenses</i>			
Worship <i>Altar supplies, devotionals, substitute pastors</i>	5,250	4,152	79%
Witness <i>Offering envelopes, new member activities</i>	1,890	699	37%
Synod benevolence	52,200	37,496	72%
Administration <i>Computer software, copier lease, insurance, internet, postage, office supplies, telephone, payroll service, credit card fees</i>	44,239	32,812	74%
Mortgage <i>Principal and interest on mortgage</i>	69,348	46,232	67%
Property <i>Building maintenance, janitorial services, utilities, lawn care, fire/security alarms, exterminating, floor/carpet cleaning</i>	57,022	36,047	63%
Staff <i>Salaries, payroll taxes, and benefits for four full-time and one part-time employees; staff development</i>	342,961	224,881	66%
Music Ministries <i>Guest artists, music for choirs, copyright fee, handbells, AV maintenance</i>	5,000	3,079	62%
Youth Ministries <i>Youth mission trips, retreats, activities, VBS, Sunday school, camp/confirmation</i>	3,150	604	19%
Preschool <i>Staff salaries and benefits, activities, supplies, maintenance</i>	132,833	86,536	65%
Total Expenses	713,893	472,538	66%
Surplus	\$432	\$5,892	

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 Women's 5:11's (Jill Brooks)
 Stewardship
 Support Staff (Stella Ryan)





Moving forward in
 Outreach
 Stewardship
 Welcome & Inclusion
 Worship
 Youth & Family Ministries
As a Community
in Christ

Sunday Worship:

9 a.m.—Contemporary & Livestreamed
10 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship and
Children’s Sunday School
11 a.m.—Traditional

Wednesday Worship:

April 2 & 9—6 p.m. Soup Supper, 7 p.m. Worship

Holy Week:

Maundy Thursday—7 p.m.
Good Friday—Noon & 7 p.m.
Easter Sunday - 9 & 11 a.m. with Easter Egg Hunt
between services.

Livestreamed on **Facebook & YouTube**

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