



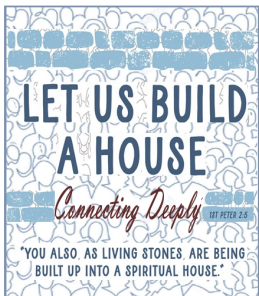
Worship

- In-person worship—
9:30 AM Sundays
- Online worship is
live-streamed to our
[YouTube](#) and
[Facebook](#) pages



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Join us for "Drawn to the Word"

Come experience a morning of fellowship,
reflection, and inspiration as we explore
the light and life found in God's Word.

Sunday, November 1 at 9:30 am
Light of Christ Lutheran Church,
Delano



**All are welcome to a pie social and
fellowship following the service.**

Experience a *Drawn to the Word* worship and artistic experience where Artist and Pastor Paul Oman will paint a larger-than-life sized mural before your eyes, in the theme of "Drawn to the Light of Christ," during our 9:30 worship service on **Sunday, November 1st**. This story will unfold artistically, musically, narratively, and Scripturally during the event. All are welcome. Come and see! [Drawn to the Word - Paul Oman, Pastor](#)

If you would like to donate a pie for the pie social, please sign up at the link below or QR code shown here.

[Light of Christ Lutheran Church: Pie Donations for Social
after Drawn to the Word](#)

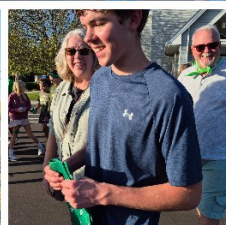
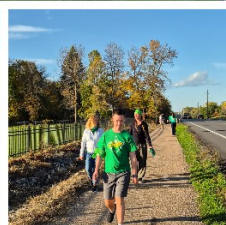


OUTREACH



Walk-a-Mile—October 7, 2026

Thank you to all who helped and participated with this very important event! We had at least 120 walkers!



End of Life Planning Seminar— October 26th at 6:30 PM

Light of Christ is pleased to offer an opportunity to listen and learn from Andrea Karels, Pre-planning Funeral Director; Jessica Larson, CRPC Edward Jones – Delano; and Lindsey Oldre, Financial Advisor Edward Jones – Delano. These three professionals will share their expertise regarding multiple tools to make End of Life planning with your family a more informed discussion. The session will include multiple facets on estate planning tips, financial considerations, fraud awareness, and prevention. Discussion will also focus on memorial preferences and consideration of a final resting spot.

Pre-planning for End of Life is often a discussion you choose to avoid. But importantly it is a discussion that can allow parents to express their wishes with their children. It can allow family members the opportunity to assist parents in making decisions they might find uncomfortable and awkward. It minimizes the stress and anxiety in making these decisions at the difficult time of a loved one's passing.

This is a discussion and topic impactful for every person – we encourage all members to attend on **Monday, October 26th at 6:30 PM** and to bring a friend or neighbor with you. It will be a beneficial discussion for everyone! Childcare will be available to families requesting this service while attending the End of Life Planning session. Please notify the church office in advance of October 26th if you will be needing childcare.

We Will Welcome New Members on Sunday, November 22nd!



If you're interested in joining our church family, we invite you to attend a New Member Information Class on **November 8th at 5:30 PM**. To help us prepare, please let the church office know **by November 3rd** if you plan to attend. We're also here to answer any questions you may have.



It's an Owl-o-ween Costume Party!

**Thursday, October 29
Beginning at Noon**

Bring a frightfully delicious
Halloween-ish dish to share.

Games • Prizes • Spooktacular Fun

*Whooo's ready for a hauntingly
good time?*

All Saints' Day Prayer Gathering at the Columbarium

All are invited to gather for a time of prayer at the Columbarium at **9:00 AM on Sunday, November 1st**, prior to the worship service, as we remember and honor the saints and loved ones who have touched our lives and now rest in God's eternal care. We hope you will join us for this special time of reflection and remembrance.





The HOOT Newsletter

A HOOT of thanks to our October OWLS volunteers!! Donnie Anderson, Lowell Johnson, and Bill Fink trimmed up the trees in the yard between the sanctuary and office entries and pulled out dead bushes around the church. Please take notice! It looks so nice. Also, Lisa Hemmer, Cheri Ashfeld, and Sue Fink

cleaned windows in Pastor Tim's office and in the altar area. Cheri also swept debris from the siding around the entire church exterior. See pics below!

Monday, October 26th, 6:30 PM: End of Life Planning Seminar at LOC. Bring your friends and adult children. Important discussions to consider for you and your family. More information on this on page 3.

"OWL-O-WEEN" Party on **Thursday the 29th at noon!** We'll have a hootin' good time. Wear a costume or borrow one from LaDonna's bin at the party. There will be a prize for best costume!! Also, bring a spooky recipe for our lunch potluck: entree, salad, bread, or dessert.

Sunday, November 1st, 9:30 worship: Drawn to the Word. Pastor Paul Oman will create a painting for LOC during a beautiful service put on by numerous singers, instrumentalists and readers. Not to be missed!! Bring friends, family, and neighbors!! There will be a pie social afterwards and we will need many pies donated!! You can bake or purchase your favorite pie and bring them to church the Friday morning before or Sunday morning prior to worship.

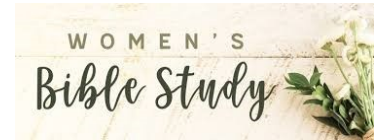


Women's Bible Study

The women's Bible study meets the **1st and 3rd**

Mondays of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, in the Living Room at LOC. We will meet through April, but *not* meet in December. If you need to leave early at any point or can't make it every time that is okay! We want you to come when you can. The Bible study we will be doing is *Prayer: An Adventure with God from Life Guide Bible Studies*.

We hope to see you there! If you are interested in participating, **please respond to Lindsay Lindall:** lindsay.lindall@gmail.com.



Bible 101

You can still join Pastor Tim and the Bible 101 study, which will be on **Tuesdays, October 20, 27, November 3, 10, and 17.** Come

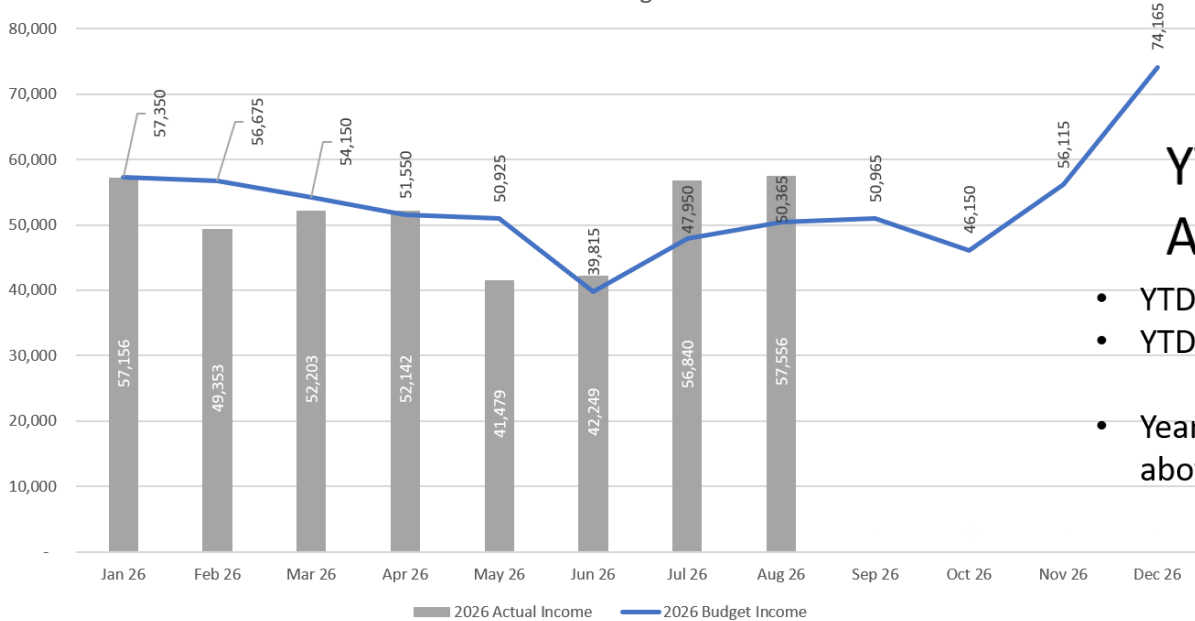
for one or come for all. Each night it will be from 7:00-8:00. The topic will be "Bible 101." This is a great time to jump into a Bible study because we will start with what the Bible is and how we study it. If you have never been to a Bible study before, you can start on this one. Of course, there will be something for all levels, but this will start from the question of "What is the Bible and why is it important" and go through the different types of literature in the Bible and how we read it as Christians and Lutherans. Please sign up at the Sign-Up Genius link or QR code below if you can, otherwise just plan on showing up.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-66074333-the>



LOC Monthly Income - Actual versus Budget

2026 Income - Budget vs Actual



YTD Summary August 2026

- YTD Budget \$408,780
- YTD Actual \$408,979
- Year to Date Actual is **\$199** above budget



More Than Numbers

As you review these budget figures, remember – they are more than numbers. They represent lives touched, faith nurtured, and ministry made possible through your ongoing support.

TAKE A STEP IN FAITH

Your Next Step Helps Shape Our Ministry in 2027

What might God do through Light of Christ in the year ahead? Whose life might be touched by a caring visit, a meal, a meaningful worship service, or a welcoming community? What opportunities will we have to help children grow in faith, support neighbors facing hardship, and deepen our connections with God and one another?

Your generosity helps turn those possibilities into ministry.

Thank you to everyone who submitted a pledge on Commitment Sunday! We have received **31 pledges toward our 2027 mission and ministry**. Each one is an expression of faith and a commitment to the work we share.

For comparison, we received **84 pledges for 2026**, so there are still many households we hope to hear from. If you are still considering your pledge, thank you for giving it your prayerful attention. If you intended to respond but haven't yet, **there is still time—and your response matters!**

A pledge helps our church's leaders plan responsibly for the year ahead. It gives us a clearer picture of the resources available to support worship, faith formation, care, outreach, and the people who make this ministry possible. Every pledge, whatever its size, helps us prepare.

Ready to take your next step?

Pledge cards are available **at the Welcome Center and in the pews**. Simply complete one and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. You can also complete an [online pledge form at this link](#).

Our campaign also invites us to take a step in our spiritual lives and in serving others. Alongside your financial pledge, consider one practice that will deepen your faith and one way you can offer your time or abilities. Together, these steps strengthen our life as a congregation and our service to our neighbors.

There is meaningful work ahead—and each of us has a part in it. Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and the many ways you help Light of Christ live its mission.

Let's take the next step in faith—together.



Donate Supplies for Voyagers' Project

As part of the *Drawn to the Word* event on November 1st, the Voyagers plan to do something special to participate. If you'd like to donate supplies to help with this effort, [please click here](#) for a list of items needed.

Upcoming First Communion classes:

- ◇ November 1st and 8th from 5:30-7:30 PM—sign up at link below
- ◇ First Communion service will be **November 15th**
- ◇ Sign up at this link: <https://lightofchristdelano.breezechms.com/form/e27ff0>

Christmas Play Sign-Up

This year's Christmas Play will be on **December 16th**. Explorers (PreK/K), Voyagers (1st-3rd grade), & Pathfinders (4th-6th grade) are encouraged to [sign up at this link](#). Practice times can be found on the sign-up.



Maker's Market

Children and youth are invited to sign up for this year's Maker's Market, being held on **Sunday, November 22nd from 4:00-6:00 PM**. For more information and to sign up, please click this link: [Makers Market 2026](#)