

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The Strategic Planning Committee of Christ Lutheran Church has met over the past few months to identify, assess, and discuss the missions and ministries of our Church. (The Church meaning **us**.) The upcoming budget has us looking at some cuts that we would rather not make, due to lower attendance and decreased tithing.

WE NEED EACH OTHER! We are a family, a family of faith! We share in our joys, we help each other carry burdens, and we comfort each other in time of sickness and death. That's why it is essential that we worship together. We are waiting for God together, we are clinging to God's promises together, **AND** we need to decide the direction of our Church together!

Your input on the enclosed survey will assist us with constructing and implementing a new strategic plan for Christ Lutheran Church. A plan that will keep God at the center of all we do, and that will assure our Mission of **'Worship, share, teach, and live Jesus Christ'**. We ask that a separate survey **be completed by all confirmed members** of your household.

Completed surveys may be mailed or delivered to the church. Or you may e-mail your completed survey to Sally Stites at salstit@aol.com or Mike Lothamer at mslothamer@yahoo.com. You must first save the survey to your computer and then attached it to an email. We ask that all of you pray as we continue to plan for the future ministry of Christ Lutheran Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Strategic Planning Committee

Corinthians 15:58

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH SURVEY

Be assured, all survey responses are anonymous.

Throughout the survey you will find an 'option' to place your name on service positions. If you wish to keep your anonymity, you may volunteer for these positions at a later time. Please be sure to have all confirmed members of your household fill out a separate survey.

Please number the following Christ Lutheran Church ministries in order of importance.
(#1 being the most important to #11 being the least important.)

- _____ Worship Services
- _____ Visiting the Sick and Shut-ins
- _____ Sunday School for Children / Adult Bible Study
- _____ Senior Ministry
- _____ Evangelism
- _____ Youth Ministry
- _____ Christian Day School Ministry (Woodburn Lutheran School)
- _____ Stephen Ministry
- _____ Facilities/Maintenance
- _____ District & Synod
- _____ Young Family Ministry

Please put an X in front of the number that corresponds with your level of agreement.
1 = Strongly Agree 2 = Agree 3 = Disagree 4 = Strongly Disagree 5 = No opinion

All CLC ministries should be considered equal when weighing resources.

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

CLC should continue with a formal women's group (CLW and LWML).

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

Christ Lutheran's worshipping members are faithful in their giving.

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

Membership at CLC should be considered from the perspective of worship and service rather than a name on a roster (except for shut-ins, college students and retirees).

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

CLC should consider changing to a part time Pastor.

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

CLC should explore a partnership (ministry and mission) with another flock.

_____1_____2 _____3 _____4 _____5

CLC should consider expanding its ministries base to include early child-care in a manner similar to ministries in other LCMS churches.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should conduct its ministries in a manner that strengthens the commitment of its members to the Congregation.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC can expect worship and service from members who benefit from its ministries.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should offer a choice in its worship format.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should have a Stephen's ministry program.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should provide a Christian Day School Education to its members.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should support a Christian Education to its members and community, Woodburn Lutheran School.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should support a youth ministry.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

CLC should support a senior ministry.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

TECHNOLOGY

Please put an X in front of the number that corresponds with your level of agreement.

1 = Strongly Agree 2 = Agree 3 = Disagree 4 = Strongly Disagree 5 = No opinion

Technology (video recordings for shut- ins, musical instruments, and sound system) is an integral part of our ministry.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

A technology fund should be a line item in CLC's yearly budget.

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

Would you be willing to take an active role in the operation and maintenance of the church's technology, if training was provided? (i.e. soundboard, video, audio or special services)

____ Yes ____ No

_____Name (OPTIONAL)

Do you visit the church's website more than six times a year?

_____ Yes _____ No

Would you be interested in utilizing social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter) for CLC information and videos?

_____ Yes _____ No

ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGY COMMENTS:

FACILITIES

In the near future, CLC will need repairs that far exceed our yearly maintenance budget. Three major improvements have been identified. We would like your help in determining the priority of each. In your opinion, please number the following in order of importance. # 1 being the most important - #3 being the least important.

- _____ Reworking the stained glass windows on the west side of the sanctuary.
- _____ Replacing the heating and cooling system in the balcony.
- _____ Retuck pointing the south elevation of the church, tuck pointing the bell tower, and redoing the Precast lintel.

If the property east of the church were to become available, would it be advantageous for the church to purchase the property. Feel free to leave comments.

_____ Yes _____ No

Is there anything you feel the structure of the church is lacking as a facility? Please include anything that you feel would enhance our worship or ministries.

WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Please **put an X in front of** the number that corresponds with your level of agreement.
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I feel that WLS is a vital part of our congregation.

___1___ 2 ___3___ 4 ___5

I feel confirmation classes should be offered at school in addition to being offered at church.

___1___ 2 ___3___ 4 ___5

I feel it is important for CLC to help 'active' members with tuition assistance support.

___1___ 2 ___3___ 4 ___5

A stronger relationship between CLC and WLS is important to the future of our church and school.

___1___ 2 ___3___ 4 ___5

ADDITIONAL WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL COMMENTS:

YOUNG FAMILIES

The strategic planning committee is looking into the possibility of starting a young couples/families bible study and fellowship night. This night would offer young couples fellowship and bible study in a kid-friendly environment. Is this something you would participate in?

___ Yes ___ No, not at this time.

If yes, how often would you like this group to meet?

___ Weekly ___ Bi-Weekly ___ Once a Month

In what kind of environment would you see this fellowship taking place?

___ At the church ___ At the school ___ rotating homes

**Which of the following events would you participate in should CLC chose to offer?
(Please check all you would be interested in.)**

- Financial workshops
- Bible Studies
- Fellowship
- Other Like _____.

**Please put an X in front of the number that corresponds with your level of agreement.
1 = Strongly Agree 2 = Agree 3 = Disagree 4 = Strongly Disagree 5 = No opinion**

Is it necessary for the success of Christ Lutheran Church to have the presence of the young couples and families actively involved in the committees of our church?

____1____2 ____3 ____4 ____5

ADDITIONAL YOUNG FAMILY COMMENTS:

YOUTH

What did you like about your Youth Group when you were growing up?

Do you believe that a youth group program is import to have at our church?

____ Yes ____ No

Why or why not?

How do we keep our youth involved at CLC?

Would you support an idea to find someone who could run the youth, young adults, and young family ministry?

Yes No

If you are in favor of this being a paid position, how would you suggest we support this person?

ADDITIONAL YOUTH COMMENTS:

NEW MEMBERS/ASSIMILATION

Should CLC continue the 'Greeter Program'?

Yes No

Would you like to be a 'Church Buddy' for a new member? A 'Church Buddy' will welcome new members, provide information about programs, and answer questions.

Yes No

If yes, Name _____ Name (Optional)

ADDITIONAL NEW MEMBER COMMENTS:

EVANGELISM

Do you believe outreach and evangelism are important for the congregation of CLC?

Yes No

Would you be willing to participate in outreach or evangelism for the congregation?

Yes No

If, yes Name (Optional) _____

Do you feel training would be helpful for members wishing to be involved in evangelism or outreach?

Yes No

If you are willing to assist in outreach and evangelism, how soon could you help?

Immediately within 6 months later than 6 months

ADDITIONAL EVANGELISM COMMENTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL

I am happy with our current Sunday School program.

Yes, no changes need to be made. Yes, but I am open to new ideas.

No, changes need to be made.

SUGGESTIONS:

You would be more likely to bring your child (ren) to Sunday School if a young adult/young family bible class were held during the same time.

Yes No No opinion

If a toddler class was available during our second worship service, you would be more likely to attend church on a regular basis, or feel you would benefit more from the service.

Yes No

If Sunday School was during second service, we would be:

More likely to attend church

Less likely to attend church

Our family's church attendance would not change

More likely to send our child (ren) to Sunday School

Less likely to send our child (ren) to Sunday School

Our family's Sunday School attendance would not change

I would be willing to help or teach Sunday School if it were set up in some type of short-term rotation with other teachers.

Yes No, not at this time I'd like more information

I would like further information on assisting the Sunday School program at CLC.

Name and Phone # (Optional)

ADDITIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMENTS:

WORSHIP

How many Sunday (or Wednesday) worship services do attend per year?

0 – 10 11 – 20 21-30 31-40 40-52

If you are not attending as regularly as you used to, or should what are some of the reasons for the change?

Which type of worship service do you prefer?

Traditional Contemporary Either

Would you utilize the nursery if an attendant were provided?

Yes No N/A

Would you attend church more if there was an attended nursery?

Yes No N/A

Which of the following worship service times would you prefer?

- Same as now - 8:00 am and 10:30 am (fall, winter, spring) 9:00 am (summer) varying styles.
- All year 8:00 am traditional and 10:30 am contemporary
- All year 8:00 am contemporary 10:30 traditional
- Saturday 5:30 pm (which would be the same as the Sunday service). Traditional
- Saturday 5:30 pm (which would be the same as the Sunday service). Contemporary
- All year 9:00 service alternating between traditional and contemporary

Should we continue to offer a Wednesday night service?

Yes No

Which of the following worship service volunteer positions would you be willing to do?

Usher Praise Team Technology Altar Preparation
 Readings Weddings Funerals

Name (Optional) _____

Please list your service suggestions or comments that you feel would enhance your worship experience and increase attendance at Christ Lutheran Church:

Please include any further comments you wish to share with the Strategic Planning Committee.

Thank you for taking time to fill out this survey!