

LIVING HOPE

A SERIES IN 1ST PETER



Welcome to Christ Community Church

March 1, 2026

Moments for meditation

We use this time to worship and prepare for worship

We worship in song, prayer, and giving

Call to worship

Songs of praise

"Forever"

"My Hope is in the Lord"

"Forever"

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Opportunities at CCC

Pastoral prayer

Worship through giving

We worship by hearing and heeding God's word

Scripture 1 Peter 2:4-10

Sermon – "The Foundation of Hope"

Song of preparation *"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"*

Communion

Whether or not you're a member of this congregation, if you trust Christ as Lord and Savior, you're welcome at his table.

Eat the bread when you're ready; hold the cup until all are served and partake together.

Benediction and Postlude

CHECK OUT OUR EVENTS PAGE AT CCCZION.ORG/EVENTS

Communion Sunday Packaged and gluten free communion elements are available at the Welcome Center. The bread passed during communion is **NOT** gluten free. On Communion Sundays we have a second offering for benevolence needs. That offering is placed in the black receptacles in the lobby.

Threads of Grace A visitor day is coming up on March 10 from 8:45-11:30am (also invited to bring and stay for lunch). All homeschool families are welcome to visit with an RSVP. We accept families with the oldest child being 1st grade or above. For those who have questions or would like to visit, please contact Amy Litewski at 847-785-9005 or amylitewski@togfellowship.org.

CCL Classes Pastor Mike will be offering training for anyone interested in obtaining an Illinois CCL or a Wisconsin CCW beginning on Friday, March 20. Please contact Pastor Mike for details on how to sign up for the training. 847-217-2143.

From Pastor Mike This is my 26th year of ministry at Christ Community Church—even though for me it doesn't seem that long ago that Donna and I returned to Zion from ministry in Asia. I have recently asked Pastor Jon and the Elder Board if I can move into a semi-retired phase of ministry at CCC, and they have agreed. Beginning today I will focus my attention on the mission program of the church. I'm so grateful to the Lord and all of you, for what he has done at CCC. I love this church and all of you and I am so glad that I can continue doing what God has called me to do in this place.

Zion to Zion Tours Pastor Mike has started a new ministry of planning, organizing and leading tours to Israel. The next 10-day tour leaves on November 30, 2026. If you are interested in visiting the Holy Land this year, there will be an informational meeting about the tour on Sunday, March 29 after the worship service. We will meet for about 20 minutes in the Parlor.



Good Friday Service | Friday, April 3 | 6:30pm | CAA

Join us as we reflect on the last words of Christ. We'll walk together through Scripture and music, a path leading us to the foot of the cross reminding us that **Friday came before Sunday, darkness before light, death before life.**

Come experience a candlelit journey into the darkness that preceded the dawn of our resurrection hope. All are invited to this time of remembrance and reflection.

Help us create our 2026

CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH COOKBOOK

➔ Recipe Collection:
March 1st-April 5th ➔

We are looking for delicious recipes from our CCC family around the world to publish in our very own CCC cookbook! You can submit up to **5** recipes that will be printed with your name with space for a note about what makes your recipe special to you. The sales will help fund our short term mission trips to Guyana and Japan this summer!

There are 2 ways to submit recipes:

- Complete one physical form per recipe, available in the lobby or Office
- Submit your recipe(s) online at typensave.com using this login info:
 - Username: CCCZion
 - Password: eggs447



Questions? Contact Donna McDowell at 847-217-0610.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES (FOR ALL LADIES 18 AND OVER)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR WEBPAGE
AT WWW.CCCZION.ORG/ADULTS/GROUPS

Ladies' Friday Morning Bible Study | 9:00am | Parlor We are using Lisa Harper's "So Much More" - Discovering God's Love in Unexpected Places.

Women's Apologetics Book Club Looking for ways to help people overcome objections they have to Christianity? Join this group of like-minded women as we tackle challenging topics that impact the eternal destiny of future generations!



On Wednesday, March 18, from 6:30-8:45pm, we will enjoy refreshments and discuss, *Toxic Empathy: How Progressives Exploit Christian Compassion* by Allie Beth Stuckey. Meetings are held in the Humphrey home and hosted by Melissa Humphrey and Erica Millar, please reach out to Melissa Humphrey at melissahumphry@yahoo.com for more information or to RSVP.

"Praying Through Psalms and New Testament" Women's Bible Study

Thursday mornings in the Parlor from 9:00-11:00am. Starting March 5 through April 30. Bring Bible, pen, and notebook.

Cards, Crafts and Connections | March 4 | 6:30-8:30pm | Seminar Area Use the entrance near the ramp to the CAA. We will be gathering to connect with old friends while making new friends. You may bring your own craft to work on or join in on our craft. We will be signing cards as well. See you then.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

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Thursday Night Men's Bible Study | Youth Room | 6:30-8:30pm We have been in the Gospel according to Luke for the past year and are nearing the end of the book. Join us as we walk with Jesus through his passion and glorification, studying chapters 19 thru 24. All you need is a Bible and a hunger for understanding God's word more fully.

Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study | Parlor | 7-8:30pm Men, join us as we study of the Book of Philippians, Paul's Epistle of joy and encouragement to the Philippian Church, written while Paul was in prison in Rome.

CAMP ZION

The **Camp Zion Spaghetti Dinner & Auction** is just around the corner! Join us next Saturday, March 7 to celebrate Camp's 80th Birthday and fundraiser for the next 80! Tickets will be for sale in the Lobby following the service, or in person at the event. \$15 for adults and \$10 for youth ages 5-12. Doors open at 5:00pm. Be sure to follow the Camp Zion Facebook page for a sneak peek of the auction. If you would like to sign up to bring a dessert, there is a sign up sheet in the Lobby or email Anna at annaewillkomm@gmail.com.



Auction Items Needed! We want to make this auction a huge success and we can't do that without auction items! It's not too late to donate an item/basket, an experience (vacation stay), service (cleaning, preparing taxes, painting, etc), or gift cards. Please drop off any items you have (or plan to have) in the church office by next Friday, March 6. Thank you!

CAMP ZION SPAGHETTI DINNER AND AUCTION

Saturday, March 7 @ 5PM
Christ Community Church

\$15 Adults / \$10 Ages 5-12



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (BIRTH THROUGH 6TH GRADE)

TALLEN@CCCZION.ORG FOR SIGN-UP OR MORE INFO



AWANA tomorrow's theme is Tropical Luau or Water (blue, rain, boat). Thank you to our dedicated leaders - you are fabulous!

VBS June 15-19

Nursery Volunteers You are amazing! Serving the babies and toddlers and their families is a vital ministry of our church. So thankful for each of you!

Nursery Training For everyone who currently serves in the nursery and for newbies who would like to be part of this ministry: Tuesday, March 10, 6:30pm. We'll meet in the children's wing. Plan on one hour and we'll have refreshments ready.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CONT.

Pray for Children's Ministry For wisdom and joy for those who serve and teach the children of CCC. Pray for children to grow to become faithful followers of Jesus.

YOUTH MINISTRY (7TH - 12TH GRADE)

lbarnes@ccczion.org FOR SIGN-UP OR MORE INFO

Growing In Prayer – YBF - March Starting next Sunday, continuing through the end of March, the high school YBF will be going through Stephen Shead's 4-week Bible study on growth in prayer. This study can be found at the end of his book, Growing in Prayer, which we highly recommend families to purchase (\$13 per copy at matthiasmedia.com). The publisher has kindly provided us a temporary license to print the Bible Study as a follow up to our winter camp retreat on prayer last month. Haven't been to YBF for a while? Here's a chance to jump back in.

Camp Zion Spaghetti Supper Servers Every year, students give back to Camp Zion by serving tables at this annual fundraiser. This year's dinner is this Saturday, March 7. All junior and senior high students are welcome to assist and should arrive by 4:15pm (so you can eat before you serve!) and plan to stay until 7:15pm. Attire is black pants with a Camp Zion T-shirt. Sign up with Pastor Leo.

Junior High Custard and Comedy All 7th and 8th grade students are welcome to join us on Saturday, March 14 from 5:30-9:30pm for a Milwaukee trip. Dinner at Kopp's Custard (or pack a meal to bring along) will be followed by a ComedySportz improv show. Tickets are \$15 per person. Space is limited, so sign up ASAP to reserve your spot.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



TBD Young Adults is a community of young adults seeking to grow a community as well as deepen our faith. We have large events, bible study, small group and one on one discipleship. Text: "TBDYA" to 847-310-7600 for more information.

Bible Study Tonight at 7:00pm at John and Heather's.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ABF 9:00AM - 10:10AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30AM

GET CONNECTED

Adult Bible Fellowships (ABFs)

Credo - Room E (Quilting Room)
The Merge - Fellowship Hall
Elevate - Llyod Chapel
Touchpoint - Seminar Area
Unidad en Cristo - Darms Chapel
Women's - Parlor
Youth

High School - YBF - Youth Room
Junior High - Room 5

Children

Classes meet in Children's Wing

Baby Nursery
1 Year Olds
2 Year Olds
3 Year Olds
4 Year Olds Through K
1st & 2nd Grade
3rd & 4th Grade
5th & 6th Grade

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is to glorify God in obedience
to the Great Commission and the
Great Commandments.”