## **Happenings and Announcements:**

Adult Connections: Sunday, December 14, 11:30am: This week in Adult Connections will be a Christmas Hymn Sing.

<u>Women's Night Out: December 15, 6:30pm:</u> Our December women's night will look a little different as we are having a Christmas Celebration in the Fellowship Hall!! If you've never attended a women's night, this is a great opportunity for fellowship and support as we go into the holidays. Come join us as we dine on charcuterie and yummy desserts. Invite your friends to attend as we link arms as women in Christ to enter the holiday season with celebration and prayer! Contact Alisa Rivera at 231.884.0911.

<u>Christmas Eve Candlelight Services</u> will be at 4:30pm and 6:30pm. We invite you to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior! The 4:30pm service will be live streamed. Nursery for infant to 3 years old will be provided at the 4:30pm service. You are encouraged to invite your friends, family, and neighbors! Invitations are available at the Information Desk.

<u>Christmas Eve Serving Opportunities:</u> Greeters and Candlelighters are needed for each of our Christmas Eve Services. If you would like to offer this gift of service, please contact the church office at office@lakecitycrc.org.

<u>Backpacks for Kids December Food Focus:</u> You can help Backpack for Kids by bringing in donations of food! Each month we are going to focus on specific food items needed for our packs. For the month of December our focus is **Canned Chicken and Rice-a-roni mixes.** Donations may be placed in the green grocery cart in the narthex. Thank you

Read Through the Bible With Us in 2026! If you would be interested in reading through the Bible in 2026, please signup at the Information Desk!

Everyone has a story: "Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11." Many thanks to all of you who have shared your Faith Story in Adult Connections over the past 3 years. Your transparency has encouraged us and built us up in the unity of Christ. Everyone has a story of the good work that God began in you. If you are feeling prompted to share a story of what God has done and is doing in your life, we would be blessed, encouraged, and built up to hear it. We have lots of openings in the new year for you to participate! Please sign up at the Information Desk or contact Mark Mortenson at 231.667.7426 or m2mort@yahoo.com.

## **Welcome Jennings Berry!**

We are pleased to introduce Jennings Berry, who has joined our team as the new Facilities Director.

Jennings grew up in North Carolina. Jennings and Laura and their two children, Matthew and Mackenzie, moved to Michigan to be closer to family; they recently moved to northern Michigan.

Jennings brings over seven years of dedicated facilities management experience. This experience includes several years as a Facilities Administrator, where he served as the central point person and communications hub for the facilities department with of over 200 church employees. Currently, he works as a maintenance technician at Timber Wolf Lake Young Life Camp.

Jennings will balance this position with his ongoing commitments at Timber Wolf. His daily schedule will involve starting at LCCRC early in the morning, working his normal hours at Timber Wolf, and concluding his workday with his responsibilities at LCCRC. This flexible arrangement allows him to manage his various roles and supplement his family's income.

Please join us in welcoming Jennings to the team!

This Week: December 14, 2025	Next Week: December 21, 2025
Greeters	Greeters
Outside: Travis Winkle, John Pearson Top (South doors): Bruce Champlin Bottom (East doors): Mel & Marcia Zimmerman	Outside: Gerard Winkle, Rick Bradley Top (South doors): Linda Embertson Bottom (East doors): NEEDED
Safety Team	Safety Team
Ryan Vanderwal	Dennis Ellens
Coffee Hosts	Coffee Hosts
John & Jackie Holyfield	Phil & Diane Scholten
Ushers	Ushers
Jesse Granados, Jim Dulzo, Adam Quist	Bob Clark, Mel Zimmerman, Charlie Workman
Nursery Lead	Nursery Lead
Brittany Vanderwal	Karen Anscomb
Nursery	Nursery
Nikki Koetje, Holly Miller	Jeremy & Janelle Winkle
Little Lambs: 2-1/2—3 years	Little Lambs: 2-1/2—3 years
Patti Champlin	Alisa Rivera, Olivia Holmes
Children's Worship	Children's Worship
Julie DeBoer	Julie DeBoer

Connections—11:15—11:55am	NO CONNECTIONS
4 & 5 year olds: Church lower-level, Classroom #1 & #2 Tori Oglesbee, Marilyn VanderWeide	
<b>6/7 year olds:</b> The Rock, Classroom #13—Sue Swartz, Amanda Schoenherr	
8 year olds: The Rock, Classroom #15—Rita Kiser	
9-12 year old GIRLS: The Rock, Classroom # 12—Elaine Clark	
<b>9-12 year old BOYS:</b> The Rock Classroom #14 Scott Powell, Ray Horton	
Jr. High—7th—8th Grade: The Rock, Classroom #16 Joel & Mandy Clark, Wes Jones, Ross Vrieze, Nancy Girardot	
<b>Sr. High—9th—12th Grade:</b> The Rock, Classroom #11 Wes Jones, Nate Koetje, Ryan Vanderwal, Brian Miller, Ross Vriese, Nancy Girardot	
Adults—Sanctuary	