

**Letter from
Pastor Davis**



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Dear Living Word Family,

Thank you for your love and appreciation on Reformation Day, and throughout the year. The week prior to Reformation was hard. I had put together a plan and was energized to execute that plan. I sought to be in control. And then I was forced to cast myself at the feet of Jesus. *“Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!”* (Psalm 130:1-2). *“O Lord, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me. I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me. O Israel, hope in the Lord from this time forth and forevermore.”* (Psalm 131) [Jesus said], *“Therefore, do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’... but seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.”* (Matthew 6:31,33) The Lord hears our cries, and He has promised to take care of us.



“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses.” (Hebrews 4:15) The author is talking about Jesus, and specifically with temptations, as Jesus was tempted but chose not to sin. However, He also suffered as we do, and understands what we suffer. Brothers and sisters, when you suffer, cling and trust in Jesus. God is good and faithful. You may not know it, but you walk with me and my family through suffering more than you may realize. Likewise, it is a humble honor to walk with you and your family through your own trials and suffering. My only hope is that I can bring Jesus to you in those moments. For this I was called, and for this I desire to serve the Lord.

“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

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WORSHIP WITH US

Sundays at 9:00 am

Fellowship Time *after service*

Adult Bible Study/ **10:30—11:15 am**
Sunday School

Ministries include Confirmation, Sunday School, Bible Studies, Prayer Chain, Youth Group, Ageless Wonders and Soles for Jesus.

Our **Child Development Center (CDC)** is dedicated to building a Christian foundation for families with young children to grow in their faith, knowledge, individuality and socialization. The CDC serves children from six weeks to twelve years old through 3K, 4K, full-day, and before and after-school programs.

Rooted in faith and growing in God's Word, we experience joyful, Christ-centered praise and worship, boldly share our faith, and serve all people.

BIBLE STUDIES

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Sundays, 10:30 am, The Crossing

All are invited to Adult Bible Study and Sunday School, which follow the *Answers in Genesis* curriculum to encourage family sharing.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, Tuesdays, 9:15-11:00 am

Join your sisters in Christ for a study of 1 & 2 Peter in the **Concordia Lifelight** series. Topics include *Called to Mature in Suffering* and *Know the Reliability of God's Word*. Confidential sessions. All women are welcome -- bring a friend! **Contact:** Roz Handschke at rosandmark@gmail.com.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, Mondays, 7:00 pm

Take a closer look at God's Word with your brothers in Christ, studying Isaiah, Herald of the Messiah, part of the Concordia "God's Word for Today" series. **Contact:** Tom Beineke at thomas.beineke@yahoo.com.

YOUTH GROUP, 6:00-8:00 pm, alternating Sundays

Enjoy fun, faith and fellowship, while learning more about Apologetics. **Contact:** Sarah Greenhow at sarah.nowickio8@gmail.com. **Check calendar for dates.**

Living Word Lutheran Church & Child Development Center

LEADERSHIP

Pastor

Rev. Christopher Davis

CDC Administrator

Tamara Breckenfelder

Elders

Chuck Luedtke, *Chair*

Tom Beineke

Norm Finster

Ryan Hansen

Todd Klumb

Marty Lowitz

Elders meet the first Monday of the month

Church Council

Peter Chapman, *Chair*

John Russell, *Vice Chair*

Joan Laehn, *Treasurer*

Michael Marshall, *Secretary*

Kyle Greenhow

Brian Kloehn

Crystal Zurn

The next Church Council meeting is **6:30 pm, Monday, November 18**

Minutes from all Council meetings (held six times a year) are available for review by request any time at the Church office. If any Living Word Church member has a proposed agenda item, contact the Church office.

Living Word is a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

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25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Sunday, October 20, more than 200 members and past members gathered to celebrate 25 years of growing in Christ at Living Word. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the event a success.



Luncheon @ LWLHS



Rev. Niekerk, Rev. Davis
& Rev. Huesmann

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“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.’ And he who was seated on the throne said, ‘Behold, I am making all things new.’ (Revelation 21:1-5) Let us cling to Christ, our hope and source of all life. Amen.

In Christ,

Pastor Davis

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

THANK YOU



Thank you to everyone who donated gift items or funds to support Operation Christmas Child. The shoeboxes will be heading out around the world in the next few weeks.

To learn more about the impact of Operation Christmas Child, read ***From Bitterness to Forgiveness*** a compelling essay by a Shoebox recipient from Rwanda [online](#) or take a copy from reception.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SNOW REMOVAL!



Volunteers are needed to help with snow removal for the church stairs and walkways. This important task ensures that everyone can safely attend services and events during the colder months.

Volunteers are needed on-call for:

- ⇒ Clearing the church stairs and walkways of snow and ice.
- ⇒ Ensuring safe access for all members, especially the elderly and those with mobility challenges.

If you are available to help at short notice throughout the winter season, please sign up at reception or contact **John Russell at jotruss2@gmail.com**.

Thank you for your willingness to serve and keep our church community safe!

Monthly Recap

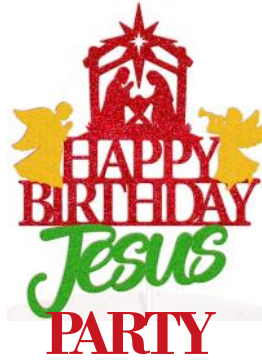
YTD giving through 10/31/2024

September Giving:	\$36,335
October Giving	\$22,647
Monthly Budgeted Need:	\$27,135
YTD Giving	\$236,143

October Sunday Attendance

◆ Oct. 6	143
◆ Oct. 13	158
◆ Oct. 20	216
◆ Oct. 27	124
◆ Nov. 3	149

YTD Average Attendance: 148



Held during Sunday School on **December 1**, the ***Happy Birthday Jesus Party*** is a faith-filled and fun way for children to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We are seeking volunteers to make cookies and/or frosting, help at different stations, and donate some supplies. If your child is attending or you would like help, sign up at reception or email **Rachel Davis at davisrachel6510@gmail.com**.



LIVING WORD PRINT DIRECTORY UPDATE

Contact Information Update

If you have not done so already, you can update your record by accessing the online database by logging onto [Servant Keeper](#) with your household email or letting the office know of any address changes.

Preferences for Print Directory

If you are a new member or would like to change your preferences for the PRINT directory, please fill out a green form at reception or let Sheri know at sheri.urban@mylivingword.com by **November 27**.

Draft Directory Review

A draft directory at reception will be available for review in December, based on your responses. Please review and make any changes on the copy.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER NEWS

November Theme: "Thankful for Everything!"

Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 5:20



FALL FUN



The CDC enjoyed an adventure-filled October! 3/4K visited the Cedarburg Creek Farm, while Wrap Around spread their joy with residents at Forest View Manor. We had a big turn out for Trunk or Treat and our new Treat Trail, featuring Minions, a dance party, movie time and more. The weather was absolutely perfect for all events! A huge thank you for the creative trunks and donated candy!

IMPORTANT DATES

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27

CDC Open

WBSD Closed

Nov. 28-29

Thanksgiving Holiday

CDC Closed

6:15 pm

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

Christmas Program

DEC. 24- 25

CDC CLOSED



Congratulations to the 80's Jazzercise team of Miss Dani and Miss Keelin as the winners of Trunk or Treat



Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Culver's fundraiser night where we raised just over \$1,000! Funds will go to two new cribs for the baby room, and brooms and garbage cans for all rooms.

Living Word Lutheran Church & Child Development Center

November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Bible Study/ Sunday school 6:00-pm Youth Group	28 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm, Den Mtg	29 9:15-11:00 am Women's Bible Study	30 5:00-6:00 pm Confirmation 7:00 pm Praise Team	31 9:15 am Ladies' Small Group	1 Fall Craft Fair Set-up	2 9:00- 2:00 pm Fall Craft Fair 6:00-9:00 pm AA Meeting
Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday						
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17 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Bible Study/ Sunday school 3:00 pm, Ladies Advent Tea 6:00-pm Youth Group	18 6:30 pm, Church Council 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	19 9:15-11:00 am Women's Bible Study	20 5:00-6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm, Den Mtg 7:00 pm Praise Team	21 9:15 am Ladies' Small Group 6:30 pm Cub Scouts Pack Mtg	22	23 9:00 am-1:00pm Crossing Rental
24 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Bible Study/ Sunday school	25 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm, Den Mtg	26 9:15-11:00 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm, Den Mtg	27 CDC Open/WBSD Closed 6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	28 Thanksgiving CDC & Church Offices Closed	29 CDC Closed	30 6:00-9:00 pm AA Meeting

Sunday Worship Volunteers Living Word Lutheran Church

November 2024

Areas of Service	Sunday Nov. 3	Sunday Nov. 10	Sunday Nov. 17	Sunday Nov. 24	Sunday Dec. 1	Sunday Dec. 8
Ushers	Scott P. John R. Adam S.	Bryan P. Chris R. Adam S.	Peter C. Kurt M. Adam S.	Todd K. Michael M. Adam S.	Ray H. Marty L. Adam S.	Tom B. Scott P. Adam S.
Communion Assistants	Mike K. Marty L.	Tom B. Todd K.	Kurt H. Chuck L.	Ryan H. Nick S.	TBA	TBA
Lector	Lisa C.	Mike K.	Bill O.	Crystal Z.	Audra A.	Nick S.
Acolytes	Hayden & Marleigh L.	Lillian & Karissa A.	Ezra H. Desmond D.	Christina H. Hudson Z.	Chase C. Silas H.	Lydia D. Matthias L.
Altar Guild	Joan L.	Jill K.	Gina L.	Kathy F.	Sherry D.	Kelli Jo A.
PowerPoint	Silas H.	Eliza A.	Zeke S.	Boston Z.	Celia A.	Jaelle G.
Fellowship	Bonnie & Jerry G. Gail C. Mary Jo & Chris R.	Roz H. Karen K. Kay V.	Carolyn F. Brian & Karen K. Bonnie W.	Connie H. Joan L. Bridget S.	Jan H. Gail C. Bonnie & Jerry G.	Mary Jo & Chris R. Roz H. Kay V.

Advance Schedule Subject to Change

If you are unable to volunteer when assigned, please contact another volunteer to make a substitution.

Celebrate the Joy of Thanksgiving & Advent



THANKSGIVING EVE

6:30 pm, Wednesday, November 27

Join us for an evening of God's Word, music and prayer as we reflect on God's gifts to us and thank Him for His generous love.

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES

6:30 pm, Wednesdays

DEC. 4, 11 & 18

Dig deeper into the Scriptures and God's Word during our midweek services as we prepare for the coming of our Savior!



Church Decorating — Sunday, December 1

Congregational Voters' Meeting — Sunday, December 15

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