

Message from
Pastor Davis



Dear Living Word Family,

How does one serve the Lord? I'm fascinated by Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 12 where he talks about the many members of the body of Christ. Each member is unique. Each serves a specific need. We often have this approach with jobs; find the job you love and you'll never work a day in your life. Does that apply to my serving the Lord too?

What strikes me is how often the Lord takes those with a certain skill set, and sets them to serve in a completely incompatible area. Like Moses, who struggles with speech, becoming the mouthpiece of the Lord before pharaoh. Or how Peter, who is good at fishing, is placed upon dry land to feed the sheep of the Lord. "For God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong." (1 Corinthians 1:27)

Yet the passions and skills you have are still from the Lord. He often employs those for the sake of His kingdom also. Should we serve from our strengths or from our weaknesses? I think the answer is, "Yes." In our weakness, that the Lord may shine through our serving. In our strengths, insofar as we are humbled and realize even our strengths are simply gifts from the hand of God.

How are you serving in the Living Word family? There are many potential places, and perhaps you are nervous, overwhelmed, or generally unsure how you can serve. Take a chance at ushering or altar guild or reading books to kids in our rooms. You may find great joy or meaningful contributions. I'm always reminded of an 80-year-old man who helped with youth group early in my ministry. He was surprised by my invitation and initially said no. I asked him to give it a chance. He didn't play the games with the kids, but he would sit down with them one on one and share his wisdom with them. They all grew to love him. He wasn't able to serve long, but I know I was blessed, as were others, for that short period of time. The Lord truly blessed it.

But don't let that stop at the walls of Living Word. You are called to serve your family. Your neighbors. Your community. Seek wisdom from the Lord and other Christians, asking, "How can I serve the Lord in this place at this time?" You may be surprised by the answer. You may be encouraged.

In Christ,
Pastor Davis

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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 attend Adult Bible Study and Sunday School (ages 3 and up), which follow the *Answers in Genesis* curriculum.

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

Join your sisters in Christ as we complete the study on Mormons.

Beginning February 18, we will dive into "***Meant for Good***,"

a study of Joseph's character, faithfulness, patience, and forgiveness. God gave Joseph's life a purpose beyond his circumstances, and He does the same for us as well. All ladies are welcome — invite a friend! **Contact:** Roz Handschke at rosandmark@gmail.com.

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

In February, the group will follow the LCMS study guide for the PBS movie, *Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World*, followed by The Lutheran Hour Ministries study, "**Who Am I and What Am I Doing Here?**" which features Joel Biermann, systematics professor at the St. Louis Seminary. **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. **Check calendar for dates.** **Contact:** Sarah Greenhow at sarah.nowickio8@gmail.com.

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
Tuesday of the month*

Church Council

Peter Chapman, *Chair*

John Russell, *Vice Chair*

Joan Laehn, *Treasurer*

Michael Marshall, *Secretary*

Kyle Greenhow

Danielle Pfaff

Kyle Radovich

The next Church Council
meeting is **6:30 pm,**
Monday, March 17

*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
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CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

Thank you to Crystal Zurn and Brian Kloehn for sharing their time and expertise on the Church Council. Welcome to Danielle Pfaff and Kyle Radovich who join returning Council members Peter Chapman, Kyle Greenhow, Joan Laehn, Michael Marshall and John Russell.

GAME DAY



Join us **Sunday, February 2** from **1:00-4:00 pm** for board games and

fellowship in the Crossing. Bring your favorite board or card game to share or come to learn a new one. Bring a Friend! For more information, contact **Shawn Heckert at (414) 510-8449.**

Monthly Recap

YTD giving through 12/31/2024

December Giving: \$30,659

Monthly Budgeted Need: \$27,135

YTD Giving \$297,434

December & January Sunday Attendance

◆ Dec. 8	134
◆ Dec. 15	146
◆ Dec. 22	149
◆ Dec. 29	107
◆ Jan. 5	132
◆ Jan. 12	162
◆ Jan. 19	137
◆ Jan. 26	140

2024 Average Attendance: 148

Ageless Wonders Service Project

On **Sunday, March 2**, Ageless Wonders will host an afternoon of service, fellowship and fun, when they get together to make brown bag lunches for St. Ben's in Milwaukee. The service project starts after Bible Study in the Crossing to pack lunches, before enjoying lunch and games. **RSVP to Nancy Plier at (414) 405-4260.**

SWD EVENTS CELEBRATING LIFE

MAGIC OF ULTRASOUND DONOR APPRECIATION EVENT

2:00-3:00 pm, Sunday, February 16

Eyewitness for Life

2525 N. Mayfair Road, Suite 30, Wauwatosa

Eyewitness for Life invites you to a family friendly event **Sunday, February 16**. Enjoy magic tricks by illusionists Kirk Patrick, ultrasound demonstrations, refreshments and tour. Eyewitness for Life is at . No RSVP needed!

A PLACE OF REFUGE MINISTRIES ANNUAL MEETING

4:00 pm, Sunday, February 16

Mount Olive Lutheran Church

5327 W. Washington Blvd, Milwaukee

An LCMS ministry, **A Place of Refuge** (APOR) is based in Milwaukee and supports pregnant women in need through Refuge House and advocacy. The annual meeting celebrates their ministry to the sanctity of life, to mothers and their babies! Guests, APOR volunteers and supporters are invited to attend. Register at apor.ministries.swd@gmail.com or call (414) 760-2483.



Unshakable

MARCH 15, 2025

9AM - 3PM

Living Word Lutheran Church
Jackson, WI

***Resilience and Well-Being for the
Christian Woman***

with keynote speaker Dr. Beverly Yahnke

\$40 includes lunch, chair
massage and make-n-take
activities!

Register by March 8
MyLivingWord.com/events



[Click here to register](https://www.mylivingword.com/events)

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER NEWS

February Theme: "Jesus loves me, this I know."

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

John 13:34



Indoor Snow Fun with Room 10 toddlers.

IMPORTANT DATES

WBSD CLOSED
February 17
CDC Open

WBSD SPRING BREAK
MARCH 24-28
CDC Open

EASTER PROGRAM
Thursday, April 10
6:15 pm

CDC NOTES

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR **FEBRUARY 24- MARCH 2**

Find your favorite authors and new titles to take home in the CDC Lobby. Don't miss out!

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

- **2025-26 WBSD 4K** is for children in the West Bend School District who are at least four years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2025.
- **Summer Splash** offers age appropriate excursions, sports activities, art, reading time and more! Breakfast and two snacks included in the tuition. Program dates coincide with the West Bend School District school-year end date. Spots fill up fast so don't delay!

Registration forms are at the Information Station on the CDC Lobby wall, along with 4K brochures, supply lists, calendars, parenting articles and more!



3K students celebrate Lutheran Schools week with Pajama Day!

Living Word Lutheran Church & Child Development Center

February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Bible Study/ Sunday school	27 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	28 9:15-11:00 am Women's Bible Study	29 5:00-6:00 pm Confirmation 7:00 pm, Praise Team	30 9:15 am Ladies' Small Group	31	1 6:00-9:00 pm AA Meeting
Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday						
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Sunday Worship Volunteers Living Word Lutheran Church **February 2025**

Areas of Service	Sunday Feb. 2	Sunday Feb. 9	Sunday Feb. 16	Sunday Feb. 23	Sunday Mar. 2	Sunday Mar. 9
Ushers	Michael M. Bryan P. Adam S.	Ray H. Scott P. Adam S.	Marty L. Chris R. Adam S.	Tom B. Peter C. Adam S.	Kurt M. John R. Adam S.	Michael M. Bryan P. Adam S.
Communion Assistants	Todd K. Norm F.	Ryan H. Kurt H.	Tom B. Mike K.	Chuck L. Marty L.	TBA	TBA
Lector	Jessi S.	Lisa C.	Crystal Z.	Mike K.	Bill O..	Audra A.
Acolytes	Silas & Ezra H.	Desmond D. Christina H.	Chase C. Hudson Z.	Lydia D. Matthias L.	Hayden & Marleigh L.	Lillian & Karissa A.
Altar Guild	Kathy F.	Gina L.	Jill K.	Marc & Nancy P.	Joan L.	Kelli Jo A.
PowerPoint	Eliza A.	Zeke S.	Boston Z.	Silas H.	Celia A.	Jaelle G.
Fellowship	Mary Jo & Chris R. Roz H. Karen K.	Bonnie W. Brian & Karen K. Gail C.	Joan L. Bonnie & Jerry G. Jan H.	Bridget S. Carolyn F. Connie H.	Karen K. Mary Jo & Chris R. Kay V.	Roz H. Gail C. Bonnie W.

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



**Living Word Youth Group
Pretzel Fundraiser
Deadline: March 2, 2025**



Enjoy authentic Bavarian pretzels and help Living Word youth attend the 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans!

Pick from the giant **Bavarian Beast**,
5 -pack or **10-pack** of **pretzel twists**,
or **50-pack of bites**

Perfect for parties or after-school snacks!

All order forms and payments due by March 2.

Locally based, Milwaukee Pretzel Company creates handmade and freshly baked Bavarian soft pretzels.

50% of proceeds go back to the Youth Group.

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