

**Welcome to Lord of Life
Lutheran Church
November 2, 2025
All Saints Sunday**



In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest.” In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today’s gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior’s body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God’s glory.

Welcome: Lord of Life Lutheran Church’s long-standing credo is “We share God’s Love”.

LoL provides a welcoming and safe place for worship, comfort, solace, and reflection. We are called by Jesus to love God and one another: to practice radical hospitality, and to serve all without reservation, stipulations or regard to your race, ethnic background, age, gender expression or identity, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, socioeconomic position, family status, or where you are in your faith journey. You are a unique and beloved child of God. We welcome you to join us in worship and communion and be part of our commitment to anti-racism, social and economic justice and environmental care.

Worship: *Communion:* All are welcome to share in Holy Communion. Individual packets available near the entrance to the worship center.

Passing of the Peace: It is ok to greet those sitting near you. Please remember people have different levels of personal space which may vary from day to day and situation to situation. You can be respectful by asking, “May I hug you?” or “Would you like a handshake.”

Physical Distancing: It is still important to be aware of distancing. Pews along the sides of the church near the stained-glass windows are for people who want space; please space yourselves accordingly.

Children Welcome: Kids of all ages are welcome in service, and we celebrate their joyful wiggles and giggles! There are kids bags in the back of the sanctuary.

*Information, service & liturgy instructions are shown in italic or **bold italic** type on the following pages.*

Portions of the liturgy spoken by the leaders are shown in plain type.

*Portions of the liturgy spoken by the assembly are shown in **bold type**.*

PRELUDE

Gathering

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We, the congregation of Lord of Life Lutheran Church acknowledge and honor the Peoria, Bodwéwadmí (Potawatomi), Myaamia, Očhéthi Šakówin, Kaskaskia, and Kiikaapoi (Kickapoo) peoples, upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning, as well as all of our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to care for this place - this land - and call it their home.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Faithful God,
**you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,**

**restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts,
and bring us to new life.
Amen.**

Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
✠ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
Amen.

All Seated

REMEMBRANCE OF ALL SAINTS

Lord of Life, today we remember all the saints that have gone before us into glory. We give thanks for the ways in which they have beaten down the path, making it easier that we might follow in their holy footsteps.

As the names of the departed saints are read aloud, we will respond with “We remember them.”

We praise and bless you, O Holy Trinity. You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, and now for adding us who celebrate the love of Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, exciting us to love, in anticipation of an eternal reunion. With them we praise and bless you, O holy Trinity.
Amen.

Jesus says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;

for I am gentle and humble in heart,
And you will find rest for your souls.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.
And you will find rest for your souls.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Dear friends,
on this day when we remember the saints who have gone before us,
we also give thanks for the saints among us—
those whom God continues to call, gather, and send.

Today we welcome Nance, Kellie, Alex, Byron, and Mark,
who join with us in the life and ministry of this congregation.
We give thanks for the ways the Spirit has already been at work in
them, and we rejoice that together we share in the body of Christ.

Here at Lord of Life, with the whole Church, we confess our faith
Using the words of the Apostles Creed.

We believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;

**he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
**the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

COVENANT QUESTIONS

Pastor to those being welcomed:

Siblings in faith,
do you intend to continue in the covenant of God
and to share in the life and mission of this community?
If so say, I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor to the Assembly:

People of God,
do you promise to support and pray for these new members
and to walk with them in faith and service?
If so say, We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us welcome these siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

Applause

We rejoice with you in the life we share in God.
**Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

GATHERING HYMN

Blessed Assurance

ELW 638

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
and also with you.

All are seated

MEMORY VERSE

*“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that
everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal
life.”*

John 3:16

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one
communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and
commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared
for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.

Amem

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ “As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 149

¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song,
God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

² **Let Israel rejoice in their maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.**

³ Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure in the people
and adorns the poor with victory.**
⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them sing for joy on their beds.
⁶ **Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand,**
⁷ to wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples,
⁸ **to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron,**
⁹ to inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to

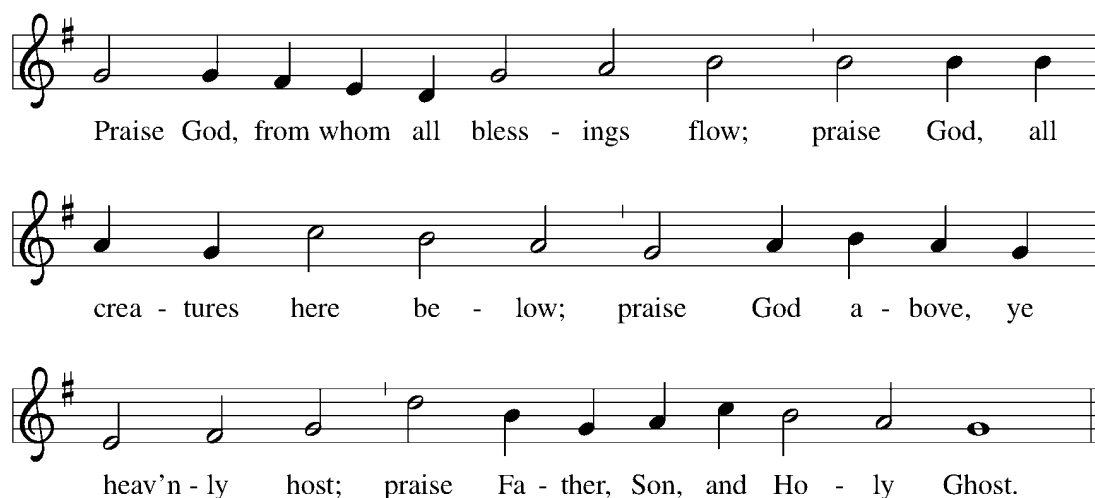
which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands as they are comfortable



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Alleluia. They are before the throne of God, **and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.** ***Alleluia.*** (Rev. 7:15)

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁰ Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

All are seated

SERMON

Pastor Adam Dowd

HYMN OF THE DAY *Spirit In The Sky* ***Norman Greenbaum***

Response to the Word

The assembly stands as they are comfortable.

THE NICENE CREED

With the whole Church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

All are seated.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations

to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care especially for David, Mark, Art, Aimee, Donna, Elaine, Marla, Ken, Vernetta, Roberta, Judy, Linda, Paul, Toni, Kerry, Jim, Caryl, Gale, and Cor. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

God of time and space, we give thanks for the faithful departed. Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

*The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord with phrases like “**Peace be with you.**” If you have your phone available, text a word of peace to someone who is worshiping alone.*

OFFERING AND PRAYER

The offering plate is brought forward as a sign of the good gifts, ourselves included, God has given us.

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that

we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of

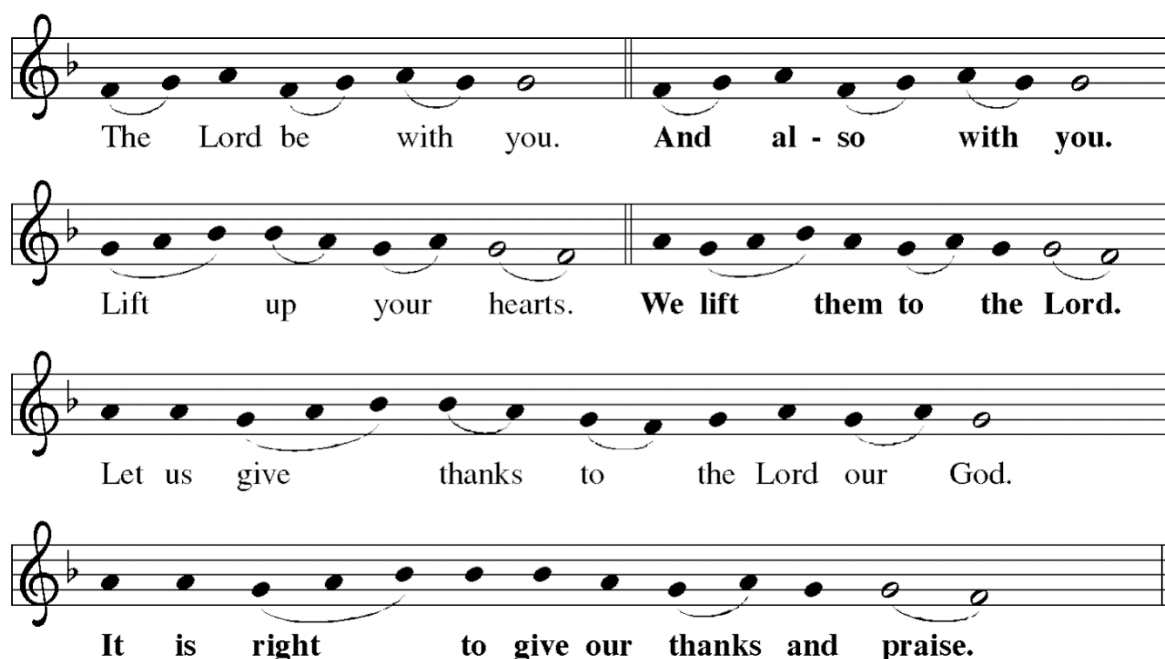
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble

with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.
Amen.

Meal

The assembly stands as they are comfortable.



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE AND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER...

join their unending hymn

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The minister continues the eucharistic prayer.
....We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:*

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us “*SING*” the pray that Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;**

**and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

There is a place for you at the table of God.
Come, receive the food that does not perish,
a taste of life eternal.

COMMUNION

*All are seated. Please take time to prepare yourselves and your
communion elements.*

*We prioritize people with mobility issues. We invite you to come
forward in your own time and take a position at the altar that is most
accessible for you.*

SONG DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of field and flower, wheat and grape,
you have nourished us with the bread of heaven
that gives life to the world.
Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son,
send us out to gather your good gifts for all who
hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.
Amen.

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
God the Son save you,
and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.
The holy Trinity bless you
and grant you a faithful and courageous heart
now and forever.

May the Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy,
The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.
Amen

SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints

ELW 422

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 5 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;

the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Announcements 11-2-2025

Wine and Candles this month are provided by **Elaine Sherman and LeeAnn Swanson** with thanks for all our blessings.

Help Lead Us in Worship Our church family thrives when we serve together. We're seeking volunteers to be assistant ministers and lectors—roles that help guide prayer, read Scripture, and support our worship services. If you feel moved to participate, please reach out. No experience needed, just a spirit of service!

Lunch Bunch We will meet at Baker's Square, 2020 75th St., Woodridge, on **Tuesday, November 11th at 11:30 AM**. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Elaine Sherman at 630-638-2642. Please plan to pay with cash, as cash is preferred by the restaurant.

Proof Join Darien Arts Council on their performance of *Proof*, a story of family, love and the fine line between genius and madness, on **November 12 and 13 at 7:00 PM**. in Fellowship Hall. We have a limited number of comp tickets available otherwise tickets at the door are \$20.00

Synopsis of Proof:

Catherine has inherited her late father's mathematical brilliance, but she is haunted by the fear that she might also share his debilitating mental illness. She has spent years caring for her now-deceased father, and upon his death, she feels left alone to pick up the pieces of her life without him. Caught between a new-found connection with Hal, one of her father's former students, and the reappearance of her brother, Clarence, Catherine finds both her world and her mind growing increasingly unstable. Then Hal discovers a groundbreaking proof among the 103 notebooks Catherine's father left behind, and Catherine is forced to further question how much of her father's genius or madness will she inherit. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, David Auburn's *Proof* is a passionate, intelligent story about fathers and daughters, the nature of genius, and the power of love.

Midweek Services for November By popular demand, we'll be holding a Midweek Service on Tuesday, **November 19 at 7:00 p.m.** We're excited to try out a new service from Holden called *Bless This Night!* — a beautiful evening liturgy centered on peace, gratitude, and blessing. Come and experience this refreshing time of midweek worship and renewal.

Please pray for members:

David Solorzano	Mark Alterson	Art Sejnost
Aimee Jimenez	Donna Motes	Elaine Sherman
Marla Suda	Ken Gulliford	Vern Sima
Kerry Spitznagle	Roberta Sejnost	Judy Padera
Linda Matta	Paul Ristau	Toni Blesy
Jim Eckwall	Cor Peterson	Caryl Schaer
Gale Dyskie		

A full list of relatives, friends, and military personnel for whom we pray is emailed weekly on Friday.

Last Week's Giving – \$2735.00

Electronic Donation for the month of September- \$1133.82

THIS WEEK AT LORD OF LIFE

Sunday	11/2	10:00 AM	Worship
		12:00 PM	Loving Word
Tuesday	11/4	5:00 PM	Overeaters Anonymous
Wednesday	11/5	10:00 AM	Bible Study
		7:00 PM	One Day at a Time
Thursday	11/6	5:00 PM	Dance Academy
		5:00 PM	Darien Arts Council
Friday	11/7	9:30 AM	Cards
Saturday	11/8	9:00 AM	SDA
Sunday	11/9	10:00 AM	Worship
		12:00 PM	Loving Word