Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Sunday, November 22nd
Christ the King Sunday
WORSHIP – 10:30am

Worship service also available live on Facebook



Reminders and Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Plan to join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 6th immediately following worship.

CHRISTMAS CALENDAR OF PREPAREDNESS



Sunday, Nov 22- Get Christmas decorations down from trailer

Sunday, Nov.22- Put up Angel Tree

Friday, Nov 27- Put up big Christmas tree

Saturday, Nov. 28- 9:30- Decorate church

Sunday, Nov. 29- Kids decorate Noah's Ark tree



Save the date! The Children's Christmas program and Birthday Party for Jesus will be on December 13th!

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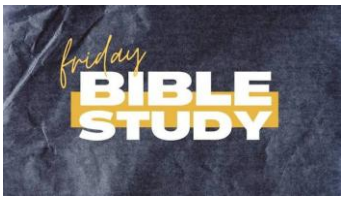
Memorial Candles

If you would like to remember someone on the anniversary of their death, we will light a candle in their honor on the following Sunday.

Please contact Tiffanie or Pastor by the Wednesday before the Sunday you want the person honored. There is also a sign up sheet in the Narthex if you'd like to plan ahead.

Last chance to donate to the Thanksgiving food item drive for Because Mom Collective! Please bring food donations by this Sunday. Donations can be placed in the shopping cart in the Narthex. Thank you!

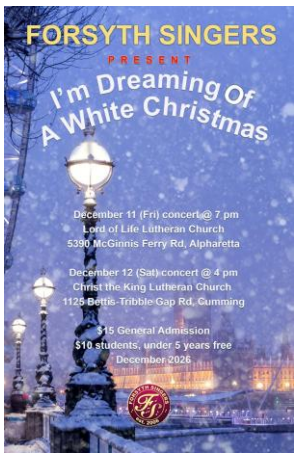




Friday Bible studies
Friday, December 11 – 10am

The next Peace by Piece Quilting Group meeting is Tuesday, December 1st at 9:30am.





The Forsyth Singers will be having their Christmas concert at Lord of Life on Friday, December 11th at 7pm. All are welcome to attend!

$15 general admission, $10 for students, under 5 is free

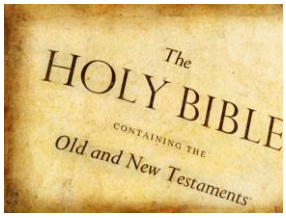
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The Lessons for Sunday, November 22nd – Christ the King Sunday

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46

The Lessons for Sunday, November 29th – 1st Sunday in Advent

First Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-9
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Lesson: Mark 13:24-37



We Embody the Presence of Christ

It is possible that the biggest barrier to accepting this as our lifelong vocation is not a lack of faith but a lack of imagination.

On this final Sunday of the liturgical year, we receive a parable from Jesus challenging and inspiring our imaginations to grasp our whole vocation that is celebrated in baptism: to embody Christ in every moment and to engage every part of our world as Christ's redeemed creation.

The parable of the sheep and the goats has sometimes been used to instill fear of God's judgment. However, it is possible that Jesus' point here is to urge his disciples to share God's generous saving grace with all. Jesus' parables consistently offer a simple setting and story, but behind them lie a world of rich meaning that takes a lifetime to unpack. For this reason, Jesus' parables are important texts for the postmodern church, which is hungry for story, for connection, and for meaning for our faithful lifelong questions.

With shepherding texts from Ezekiel and the Psalms as well as Ephesians, an epistle written to build faith, we have a constellation of texts that make the shape of God's intimate—even incarnational—love of creation. The parable even suggests that being merely intentional about ministry in the name of Jesus is not the point. After all, both "sheep" and "goats" groups are equally shocked at the news that Jesus was present in those relationships involving thirst, imprisonment, and so forth. Instead, Jesus seems to invite us to wonder what's at the deepest foundation of our presence and purpose—and perhaps even walk away faithfully bewildered at the possibilities of God's kingdom being practiced on earth as it is in heaven.

What if we really do embody the presence of Christ?

Come celebrate Christ the King and worship with us at 10:30