Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Sunday, October 27th

Reformation Sunday

WORSHIP – 10:30am Worship service also available live on Facebook



Reminders & Announcements



There will be a funeral service for Ron Bloom on Tuesday, October 29th at 1:00pm at Lord of Life. Viewing will be prior to the service, from 11:30-1:00. All are welcome to attend.



On All Saints Sunday, November 3rd, we will lift up the lives of those who have gone before us and celebrate the memory of each friend or family member who has departed this life to share in the eternal feast that God has prepared for all his children. If you would like your loved one to be honored in this

way, please email Tiffanie their name(s) and relation to you or fill out a form on Sunday. These names will be listed in the bulletin on November 3rd.



November 3rd – Prayer Partner Reveal Party!

If you signed up to be a prayer partner, plan to stay after worship service on November 3rd to find out who your prayer partner is! Please bring a snack to share.



<u>Plan to join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 10th immediately following worship.</u>

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Adult Sunday School meets Sundays at 9am

Women's Bible Study – Tuesday Oct. 29th at 10am

Friday Bible Study- Nov. 1st at 10am

The next Peace by Piece Quilting Group meeting is Tuesday, November 5th at 9:30am.





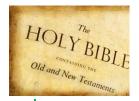
We continue to collect food items, toiletries and paper products for Rainbow House. Thank you for sharing from the heart.



Lord of Life now has Audio Fetch, a wi-fi based hearing assistance technology that allows you to stream worship service straight to your wi-fi enabled hearing aids. Download the AudioFetch app to your smartphone to get started. See Dean Meyer on Sunday for assistance getting set up.



Tithes and offerings can be sent via Venmo at any time. @LordofLifeChurch-LordofLifeChu



The Lessons for Sunday, October 27th Reformation Sunday

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34 Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28 Gospel Lesson: John 8:31-36

The Lessons for Sunday, November 3rd All Saints Sunday

First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9
Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a
Gospel Lesson: John 11:32-44

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Restored by Grace

The word for Sunday is *restoration*. Both the Old Testament reading and the psalm speak of God's restoration of the people of Israel, gathering them from sorrowful exile into joyful community. The gospel tells the story of Jesus healing Bartimaeus, restoring his sight in response to his faith. Today we do not have the same understanding of "clean" and

"unclean" people; however, those who are sick still need restoration. There are people who are hospitalized for extended periods of time who need to be restored to the community. There are folks in nursing homes who long for the connections they once had to a worshiping community. There are people in prison who are cut off. There are even people who have been hurt or disappointed by the church who need restoration. This same Jesus, the letter to the Hebrews reminds us, is our great high priest who continually restores us to right relationship with God. This hope of restoration is echoed in the reading from Jeremiah. Here God promises to gather and restore the people of Israel from their exile.

This promise of restoration is acted out through worship. Much of what happens in worship is concerned with restoration. In the word, in the meal, in confession and forgiveness, we are restored to wholeness (and *holiness*) with God and with one another. In the sharing of the peace we act out the restoration and reconciliation we all need. In the Lord's Prayer we ask, "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us." What is this if not a plea for restoration? This restoration is not through our own merit, but through the love of Christ and the faith we have been given.

Come worship with us this Sunday and celebrate the Reformation

