



First Sunday of Advent
7:45 & 11 am Traditional Worship
December 1st, 2024

Living Lord Lutheran Church
11107 Palmbrush Trail
Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202
941-753-9365

Ed Holloway, Interim Pastor
Thomas Pizzi, Minister of Music

Our Mission Statement
Make disciples, Serve selflessly, and Live faithfully



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

To a Wild Rose

Edward MacDowell

GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

P In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

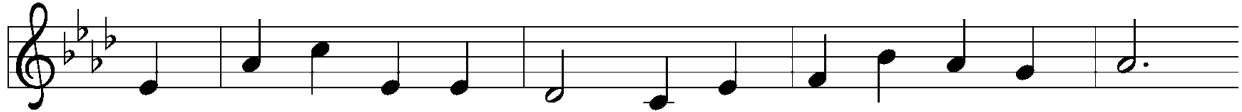
P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



1 Re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907
 Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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A Let us pray.

C Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ON PG. 5

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING : Jeremiah 33:14-16

Reader A reading from Jeremiah.

¹⁴ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Reader A reading from 1 Thessalonians.

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³ And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ²⁵ “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶ People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory.

²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹ Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰ as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴ “Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵ like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing
(The Feast Is Ready)

Words and Music by
Graham Kendrick

♩ = 153

VERSE

G Am⁷ D G Em⁷

1. The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
 2. Ta - bles are lad - en with good things, O taste the
 3. The hun - gry heart He sat - is - fies, of - fers the

4 Am D G Am⁷ D G Em⁷

read - y to be - gin; The gates of heavn are o - pen wide, and Je - sus
 peace and joy He brings; Hell fill you up with love di - vine, Hell turn your
 poor His par - a - dise; Now hear all heavn and earth ap - plaud the a - maz -

8 Am D G G REFRAIN D C G

wel - comes you in - side. Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light,
 wa - ter in - to wine.
 ing good - ness of the Lord.

11 Am D G

come and rev - el in Heav - ens love and light; Take your place at the

14 D C G Em⁷ Am D G Em⁷

ta - ble of the King, the feast is read - y to be - gin, the feast is

Am D G

read - y to be - gin,

CREED

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I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I 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.

I 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A As we prepare for Emmanuel, God-with-us, let us pray for all people
and places that long for God's presence.

A brief silence.

A God of righteousness, your people live in hopeful expectation of your
coming. Fill your church with renewed passion for our shared mission,
and deepen our relationships with other Christians and other faith
traditions in our local community and across the world. Lord, in your
mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A God of the cosmos, all creation shows that your presence is near. Help
us sense your goodness and love in the sun and moon, in sprouting
leaves and bare branches, in the roaring sea and quiet breeze. Lord, in
your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A God of the nations, your reign extends over all principalities and powers. Give leaders and all in authority hearts for justice and peace. Encourage efforts to enact policies that benefit the common good. Lord, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A God of change, you accompany us through life's transitions. Be near to all who are changing jobs, moving, welcoming children, or facing the loss of loved ones. Sustain those who are ill or suffering *especially* Josh, Theo, Chris and Marty; for Angie, Lori, Diane and Barbara; for Debbie, Barb, Glenn and Merle; for Lon, Kelly, Kyle and Cathy Rosentreter; for the Call committee, the families of Russ North, Gisele Phipps and Jim Reardon and for those on our long-term prayer list; and those most dear to us whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause).... In times of change, remind us of your steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A God of community, your Spirit holds us together. Sustain our care for one another. Inspire us to seek new ways to live together and to embrace the diversity of thought and identity in our communities. Lord, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A God of memory, we give you thanks for faithful ones who have died. Tend to our grief and sorrow with renewed trust in your promise of abundant and eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

P Savior of the nations, come, and receive these prayers and the pleas of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

PEACE

ELW p. 206

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING MUSIC

(11:00 ONLY)

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

C.Martin/C.Gabriel

Brooke Palmtag, soprano

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful
Offering Song

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 the 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.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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OFFERING PRAYER

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P Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE ON PG. 11.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

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P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the
resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

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P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

By ALBERT H. MALOTTE

SLOWLY

OUR FA - THER WHICH ART IN HEAV-EN,
HAL-LOW - ED BE _____ THY NAME.
THY KING-DOM COME; THY WILL BE DONE _____
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAV - EN.
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAI-LY
BREAD, AND FOR-GIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE _____ FOR-GIVE OUR DEBT-ORS.
AND LEAD US NOT IN-TO TEMP-TA - TION, BUT DE-
LIV - ER US FROM E - VIL. FOR THINE IS THE KING-DOM AND THE
POW-ER AND THE GLO - RY FOR - EV - ER, A -
- MEN! _____

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

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P The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH POST COMMUNION BLESSING ON PG. 16.

COMMUNION SONG

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

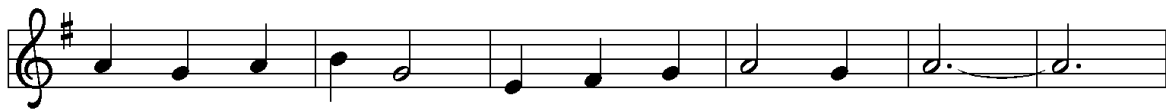
Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

Music: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, Bernadette Farrell

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Spirit of Gentleness


Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forevermore.

C Amen

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

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Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick, homebound, and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

ELW p. 209

P Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
 last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
 last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929
 Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858–1924

DISMISSAL

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A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Felix Mendelssohn



The Altar Flowers are given by Mike and Madelyn Tetmeyer in remembrance of our parents and brother.

The Eternal Candle for the month of December is given by Bob and Carolyn Scott. Happy Birthday, Jesus.

The Altar Guild Diane Buechner

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION All who have faith in the words, “given for you” and “shed for you for the forgiveness of sin” is really worthy and well prepared to receive this sacrament. Communion is by individual cup (wine or white grape juice and gluten free wafers are available). Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

The **Sunday bulletin** focuses on the what, when, and where of announcements and ministry opportunities for the upcoming week. Detailed information is available on our **Facebook** page, in the **Link**, which is published weekly, and in the **Voice**, our monthly newsletter, and on our **website** – www.livinglordfl.org. Extra copies of the **VOICE** are available in the Narthex in the mail bins on the south wall.

Financial Support Thank you for your continued support for our ministry and mission. Offerings can be mailed to the church or online giving with banking or credit card payments at www.livinglordfl.org (Give Tab).

Attendance Pads Please fill out the attendance register and pass it down the aisle and let us know you were here. Add your name and if you are communing place a “C” in the member or visitor column. Otherwise, simply place a checkmark (✓) in that column. This is a change to satisfy our constitutional requirement to maintain a record of those who have communed. Thank you for helping us with this detail.

Covid-19 Guidelines Update:

The Worship Team’s current guidelines include: Optional masks. Each individual should choose what is right for them and the use of the common cup during communion distribution is suspended until further notice.

SCRIP after each service. An ongoing fundraiser designated towards Building Improvement. Purchase gift cards at the table. Orders are placed every week for pick-up the following week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL K thru 3rd grade, 4th grade thru 7th grade and Faith Formation for teens - every Sunday from 10:05 to 10:55. Confirmation class is still being determined.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:05-10:50am in the Activities Hall. Bible study of the Old testament and Epistle lessons read in Sunday worship is an opportunity to dig deeper into the message with other adults. Bring your cookie, coffee, questions and insights as we explore with friends the readings' connections to our lives today.

GENERAL OFFERING #4010		
YEAR-TO-DATE	2024 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL
October 31, 2024	October 31, 2024	October 31, 2023
\$264,276.08	\$303,305.15	\$301,210.16

Hurricane Helene & Milton Lutheran Disaster Response working alongside synods and other partners, is prepared to provide support throughout the impacted region. Gifts to “Hurricane Response” will be used (100%) to assist those affected by hurricanes, until the response is complete. Give through your congregation **or** make your check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 and write “Where needed most” or “Hurricane Response” in the memo line.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 8 inch, red poinsettias will be available for \$12.00. Flower order envelopes are on the Welcome Desk. Please indicate how many poinsettias you would like. Envelopes can be placed in the offering plate.

PUB THEOLOGY All are welcome to join us on Thursday, Dec. 12 (Temporary one time day change). Share views about how God interacts in our everyday lives? At the Beef O’ Brady’s, Lakewood Ranch Blvd, 6:30pm. The format is simple: beer, conversation, and God. For more information contact Doug Holst at (813) 447-9917.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH - A Sacred Oratorio will be presented by Sarasota Choral Society on Thursday, December 5th at 7pm at Church of the Palms in Sarasota. Tickets are \$25. If interested, contact Sue Copeland at 941-243-5329.

Week of Dec. 2 - Dec. 8

Monday

Tai Chi 10am

AA Meeting 11:30am

Boy Scouts 6pm

GA Meeting 7pm

Tuesday

AA & Al-Anon Meeting 11:30 am

Cub Scouts 6pm

AA Meeting 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 9:30am, 11:30am

Pastor's Bible Study 1pm

Evangelism Meeting 2:30pm

Girl Scouts 6pm

Advent Service 6:30pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 11:30am

Euchre 1pm

Building Improvement Meeting 3pm

Friday

GA Meeting 9:30am

Crafting 10:30am

AA Meeting 11:30am

AA Meeting 6pm, 8pm

Saturday

AA Meeting 4pm

Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

Sunday

7:45am Traditional Service

9am The Journey

11am Traditional Service

AA Meeting 6:30pm

OUR DAILY BREAD SERVERS

We need 6 servers on December 7th from 9:15 am until approximately 11:45 am.

No experience required, on the job training, pay is great, hearing the “thank-you” from the homeless as you serve lunch. Please INCLUDE your phone number when signing up. So we can reach you if last minute changes are needed. If you want to help, but have questions, call **Bob Scott, (941) 758-5954 or (817) 313-2945.**

ANGEL TREE - Angels and gifts are due back at church on TODAY.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT NEWS

As we wait for our roof to be repaired, we continue to concentrate on completing the corridors, kitchen and Narthex. With the corridors now being painted we will clean the tile floor and install the base. Bulletin boards are being studied to determine what can be updated or is needed.

CHURCH COUNCIL Interested in being on our church council starting in January 2025? Talk to Pastor Ed or Maggie to make us aware of your interest. Our council meets once a month to discuss the business of LLLC.

CHRISTIAN LIFE Our current small groups are starting up this fall. If you are interested in being a part of our existing small groups or being a part of a new group, talk to Deb Miller and sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex.

QUILT RAFFLE Please look forward to our holiday raffle and silent auction/sale by the handicrafts/quilting group, A Stitch and A Prayer, **TODAY** and 8th. Raffle tickets will be \$5 each or \$20/5 tickets. Proceeds will go toward supplies for future community projects. Donations are always appreciated. Thanks for your support!

ADVENT SERVICES There will be mid-week services on Wednesday December 4, 11 and 18 at 6:30pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES will be at 4:00pm and 7:00pm. Monday Class Faith Talks at 10:00 AM will be cancelled for December 2 due to post-Thanksgiving travel. We resume class on Monday December 9. Ruth McConnell

FAMILY YUM(FUN) NIGHT will be Friday, December 13th from 6 to 8pm. This month will be a cookie exchange, just in time for your celebrations. Each family is asked to bring 3 dozen cookies - you will leave with more than that. Pizza will be provided. Get more details on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

LUNCH BUNCH INVITATION The second Thursday of every month the LLL lunch bunch meets for lunch. Our next lunch will be on December 12th at 11:30. We will meet at Station 400 located at 8215 Lakewood Main, Lakewood Ranch, FL. This luncheon is open to all who wish to attend. There is a signup sheet posted in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Miller at 616-540-1745.

Christianity

As Told by the Evangelists
Matthew, Mark, Luke and John

Beginning January 6, 2025 on Mondays
In Activities Hall 10:00-11:30 AM

In 18 weekly classes we will learn and experience Jesus,
who transcended humble origins,
showed us God's love,
paid the price for our forgiveness,
and transformed his followers forever.

This course is free. Because God's gifts are FREE!

January 6, 13, 20, 27, 2025:

Peter and Paul and the Christian Revolution.

What happened to the disciples after the crucifixion of Jesus?

Would Jesus disappear from history? Video and readings in Luke's book of Acts, where the church began.

February 3 through April 7:

Understanding New Testament Gospels

Lectures by professors of Christian theology and history to enhance your reading of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and John. Discussion of texts.

April 14: MOVIE **The Gospel of John**, read by Christopher Plummer, 2 hours
Easter Monday April 21, 2025 NO CLASS

April 28 and May 5, 2025 TO BE ANNOUNCED (**Sacred Journeys?**)

Documentaries, Bible Readings, Instructional Videos, Lesson Summaries, Discussions, and your Questions. *Just like college!* Videos easy to see on 85 inch TV. Ruth McConnell, leader



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