

# The Journey November 24, 2024 9am

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

# **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

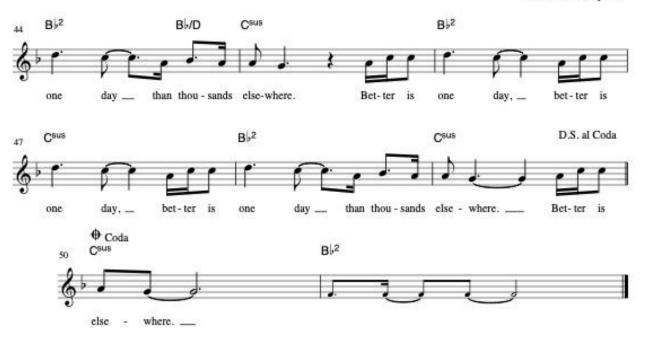
### **GATHERING SONG**

### Better Is One Day



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### **OPENING SONG**

## Lord Reign In Me

Words and Music by Brenton Brown



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#### OPENING PRAYER

### FIRST READING: Revelation 1:4b-8

A reading from Revelation.

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,

<sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

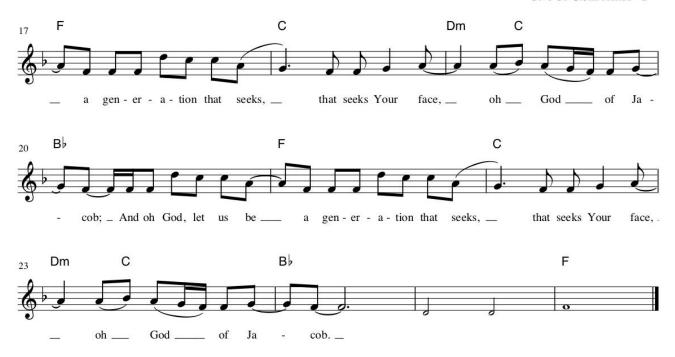
### **GOSPEL SONG**

### Give Us Clean Hands

Words and Music by Charlie Hall



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#### GOSPEL READING: John 18:33-37

A reading from John.

<sup>33</sup>Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup>Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

### **MESSAGE**

### **MESSAGE SONG**

### Build My Life

Words and Music by Brett Younker, Karl Martin, Kirby Kaple, Matt Redman and Pat Barrett



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### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Revive our congregations, synods, and national church body to reflect the love, justice, and kinship of your kingdom. Raise up diverse leaders who teach and serve your people.

Nourish parched lands and bring relief to flooded places. Protect wildlife habitats and endangered species, that the chorus of creation's praise resounds with joy.

Grant wisdom to the leaders who govern, legislate, and deliberate on our behalf. Advance your nonviolent reign of justice-seeking love through their work.

We pray *especially* for those who have asked for our prayers, those most dear to us whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause)...Draw near to those who are detained, on trial, or incarcerated. Transform systems of retribution into systems of reconciliation and restoration. Empower activists who advocate for change.

Remind us of your enduring love in all seasons. Guide the planning efforts of worship leaders and volunteers who usher our congregation into a meaningful Advent.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In your eternal presence the saints sing of your majesty. Join our voices with theirs in praise to the one who loves us and frees us from sin.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

### **OFFERING**

Let us give thanks to God for our many blessings as we offer our monetary gifts for the mission and ministry of this community of faith. For those who are online, you can offer your financial support for our mission and ministries by going to our website livinglordfl.org and clicking on the give button at the top of the home page.

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Franz Schubert

### SONG BEFORE THE MEAL

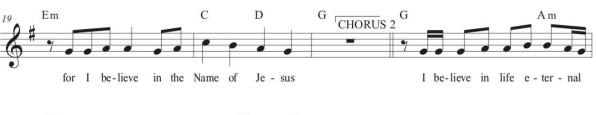
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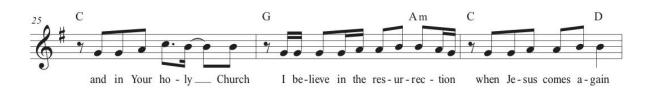
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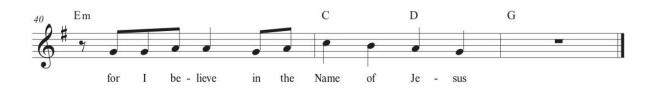












#### THE MEAL

P 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.

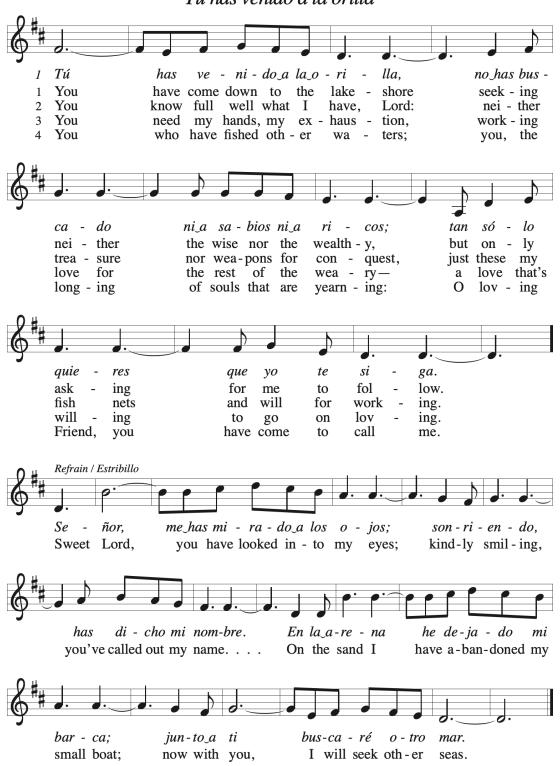
#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread;
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us;
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, are yours
now and forever. Amen.

#### **MEAL INSTRUCTIONS**

P Holy Communion here is just this simple: All are welcome because this is the Lord's table. It is Jesus who invites us to share in this meal. So, it doesn't matter who you are or how you are but that you simply come because God's gifts are... **C** Free

### You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore Tú has venido a la orilla



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Music: PESCADOR DE HOMBRES, Cesáreo Gabaráin
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### **MEAL SONG 2**

### Lord I Need You

Words and Music by Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, Matt Maher, Christy Nockels and Daniel Carson



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### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

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 SONG**

#### I'm So Blessed

(based on the recording by CAIN)

Words and Music by Logan Cain, Taylor Cain, Madison Cain, Matthew West and Jonathan Smith







### **DISMISSAL**

### **DISMISSAL SONG**

## JOY IN THE JOURNEY



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The Altar Flowers are given by Jeff and Nancy Taylor in loving honor of our grand and great grand children.

**The Eternal Candle for the month of November** is given by Sandy Coffman to wish Happy Birthday her daughter, Colleen and great-grandson, Kane.

The Altar Guild Beverly Brockschmidt and Margi Furey

**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** – <u>www.livinglordfl.org</u>. 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 <a href="www.livinglordfl.org">www.livinglordfl.org</a> (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 ( $\sqrt{}$ ) 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 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 4<sup>th</sup> grade thru 7<sup>th</sup> grade and Faith Formation for teens - every Sunday from 10:05 to 10:55. Confirmation class is still being determined.

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> 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.

<u>CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS</u> 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 Wednesday, December 12. 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.

<u>HANDEL'S MESSIAH</u> - 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 Nov. 25-Dec. 1

### <u>Monday</u>

Faith Talks 10am
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 Thanksgiving Eve Service 6:30pm

### **Thursday**

Office Closed – Happy Thanksgiving AA Meeting 11:30am

### **Friday**

Office Closed 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 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:15 am until approximately 11:45 am. No experience required, on the job training, pay is great, hearing the "thankyous" 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 - The tree with Angels IS HERE. The Angels and gifts will need to be back at church on Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING! The church and the Christmas trees will be decorated on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. If you can help, please contact Stephney at 941-782-8005 or Marilyn at 614-570-5483.

### **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.

Richard and Lynne Watson Les and Jan Kraus

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!** Please be sure to greet our new members.

Cindy King Wally Oetjen

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.

### STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

As our Stewardship campaign is underway, we truly thank everyone for their continued faith and support. We hope you will reflect on your commitment to our church and ministries as we plan for 2025. Please return your Pledge and Time and Talent Survey by November 24th.

Giving Tip: Consider adding a gift to Living Lord in your will.

**QUILT RAFFLE** Please look forward to our holiday raffle and silent auction/sale by the handicrafts/quilting group, A Stitch and A Prayer, December 1st 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!

**THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE** will be held on Wed, Nov 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**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

# 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!* <u>Videos easy to see on 85 inch TV.</u> Ruth McConnell, leader



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