



## *Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

*7:45 & 11 am Traditional Worship*

*February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025*

*Living Lord Lutheran Church*

*11107 Palmbrush Trail*

*Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202*

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*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

*Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door*

Traditional spiritual/Keveren

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

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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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.**

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969  
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

**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** Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope,  
 and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what  
 you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

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

### **FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10**

Reader A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>4</sup> Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup> “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup> Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

Reader The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

Reader A reading from 1 Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup> If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

<sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup> Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup> For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup> but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Reader The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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**GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30**

**P** The holy gospel according to Luke.

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

<sup>21</sup> Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup> He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’”

<sup>24</sup> And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. <sup>25</sup> But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup> yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup> There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup> When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

From Pleasure To Rage

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## Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue



1 Al - though I speak with an - gel's tongue, my faith, my  
 2 For love is pa - tient, love is kind, and nev - er  
 3 For now we peer at dark - ened glass; our vi - sions  
 4 The gifts are man - y, the Bod - y one, and in - to



knowl - edge all sur - pass, but have no love, my gifts are  
 vain with boast - ing pride; love bears all things, all things en -  
 end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now  
 one are all bap - tized. Be - lov - ed, share one heart, one



vain as clang - ing gong or blar - ing brass.  
 dures. All things must end; love will a - bide.  
 see: then we will see love face to face.  
 mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

Text: Andrew Donaldson, b. 1951  
 Music: O WALY WALY, English traditional  
 Text © 1995 Andrew Donaldson.

## CREED

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A Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles Creed

**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 With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

A God of eternal wisdom, we pray for your church, which is being transformed by your word. Bless the church with your wisdom and guidance. Let us notice and take part in the new thing you are doing.  
God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Your creation sustains us and all living creatures. Grant us humility to acknowledge the ways we bring harm to the earth. Grant us courage to make effective change so that all lands and living things prosper. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**



A Embolden leaders of nations, corporations, and all in authority, that they lovingly tend those in their charge. Help them to respond to all who cry out in need. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Provide for those whose hunger runs deep due to isolation, loneliness, or illness *especially* Josh, Theo, Chris and Edward; for Angie, Jeanette, Glenn and Kelly; for Barb, Olivia, Ron and David; for Martha, Dale, Maria and the Call committee; and for the families of Debbie Carsile, Malcolm John Doyle; 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)...Send your Spirit so that all are filled with your presence and experience welcome from their communities. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for the young people in our congregations. May their voices be celebrated. Give youth a place of honor and value among us. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A We remember those who have gone before us. Let their faithful example continue to bear witness to us all. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**C Amen.**

**PEACE**

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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)**

*Valse*, Op. 69, No. 2

Frederic Chopin

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. 12**

## 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.**

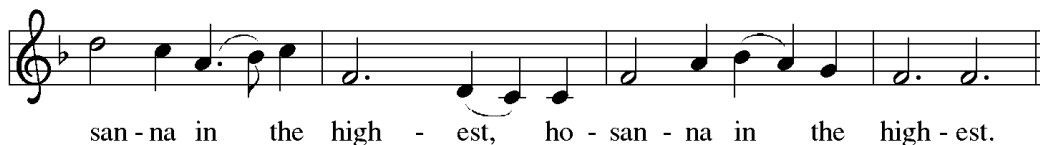
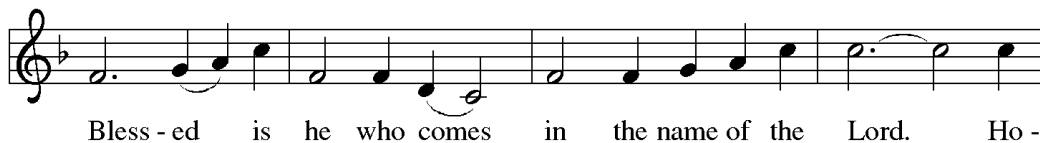
## PREFACE

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P 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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## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

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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

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P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us sing 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.

## COMMUNION

**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

**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.

## O Living Bread from Heaven



- 1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
- 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
- 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
- 4 Oh, grant me then, well-strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.  
 and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;  
 And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.  
 my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!  
 for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,  
 My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,  
 and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!  
 the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.  
 and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.  
 where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

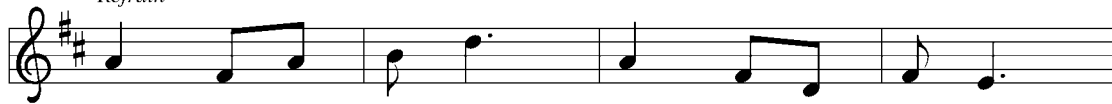
## Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

*Refrain*

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.  
 Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

**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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**P** 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.

**C Amen.**



## BLESSING

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

**C** Amen.

## SENDING SONG

(7:45 - 1,3)

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### Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.  
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
Text © 1983 Concordia Publishing House

## DISMISSAL

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**A** Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*Your Love O Lord*

Powell, Avery, Carr

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*The Altar Flowers are given by Ruth and Bill McConnell. Thankful for 57 years of marriage, and God's guidance through the years.*

*The Eternal Candle for the month of February is given by Sandy Coffman, remembering her husband, Bud and their 60 years together. God Bless.*

*The Altar Guild*

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**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](http://www.livinglordfl.org). Extra copies of the **VOICE** are available in the Narthex in the mail bins on the south wall.



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**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.

## Week of Feb. 3 - Feb. 9

### Monday

Faith Talks 10am  
AA Meeting 11:30am  
Worship and Music 2:30pm  
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  
Pub Theology 6:30pm

### Thursday

AA Meeting 11:30am  
Choir 6pm  
By Grace 6:30pm

### Friday

GA Meeting 9:30am  
Crafting 10:30am  
AA Meeting 11:30am  
AA Meeting 6pm, 8pm

### Saturday

Safety Seminar 10am-12pm  
AA Meeting 4pm  
Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

### Sunday

7:45am Traditional Service  
9am The Journey  
11am Traditional Service

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

**FULLY PARTICIPATE** *In the mission and ministries here at Living Lord by helping, Currently Available:*

> Livestream > Sound System  
> Celebration of Life volunteers  
> Life Group Coordinator.  
*Contact the church office.*

**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.

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

**PRAYER LIST** The Parish Life Group would like to revitalize the Prayer List. Please review and update prayers for any of your friends and/or family. Contact the church office with any updates. [maggie@livinglordfl.org](mailto:maggie@livinglordfl.org) or 941-753-9365.

<b>GENERAL OFFERING #4010</b>		
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	<b>2024 BUDGET</b>	<b>2023 ACTUAL</b>
December 31, 2024 \$362,631.00	December 31, 2024 \$355,000.00	December 31, 2023 \$352,905.01

**Christianity - As Told by the Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**  
**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. **FREE. Because God's gifts are FREE!**

- 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!* Easy to see videos on 85 inch TV. Ruth McConnell, leader

**PUB THEOLOGY** All are welcome to join us on Wed, Feb. 5. 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.

**LLLC LUNCH BUNCH INVITATION** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of most months. Our next luncheon will be on February, 13, 2025 at **11:30**. We will meet at Remy's on Main, located at 8138 Lakewood Main Street., Bradenton. This Luncheon is open to all who wish to attend. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Miller at 616-540-1745.

**WIDOW JOURNEY** *You are never alone when you walk with Christ.*

Living Lord Lutheran Church invites all widows to join on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month from 10AM until 12PM. Come together to share support, understanding, and fellowship. Whether you're looking for a listening ear, new friendships, or simply a moment of solace, this group is here for you. You do not need to be a member of LLLC to be a part of this group. All widows are welcome. If you know of a widow that would benefit from this group, please reach out to Beverly Brockschmidt 352.464.1177. Together, we can navigate life's journey with strength and faith.

**THRIVENT** Is partnering with six organizations who are actively responding to the crisis in California. Donate online today to one of these organizations, and Thrivent will boost your donation. For every \$2 through Thrivent's online giving platform or through a Thrivent Charitable Impact and Investing<sup>®</sup> Donor Advised Fund, Thrivent will add \$1. The match will run until the \$500,000 cap is met, or March 10, 2025, whichever comes first. Thrivent pays all the processing fees so 100% of your donation will go directly to the cause. If you are an eligible Thrivent client, direct Choice Dollars to organizations helping with disaster response efforts.

**“A STITCH AND A PRAYER”** The quilters of the handicrafts group has been busy being the hands and feet of Christ in our global and local community. 49 large quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief and 300 lap quilts have been given to Steve Pierannunzi to distribute through his ministry group, Suncoast Comfort Canines 4 Christ. Organizations they've visited include Easter Seals, Casa Mora, Encompass Health Rehab Hospital, Aspire of Sarasota and Grand Living Villa of Sarasota. As always, thank you for your donations and support.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT** Valentine “Friendly Feud” and potluck dinner! We will begin at 6:00 on February 14th with dinner and then move on to the game, similar to Family Feud. Sign up in the narthex. Questions? Contact Pam Lange at 404-358-1124.

**Daytime Christian Life Group** will meet at church on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:45pm. All are welcome.



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