

The Journey January 19, 2025 9am

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

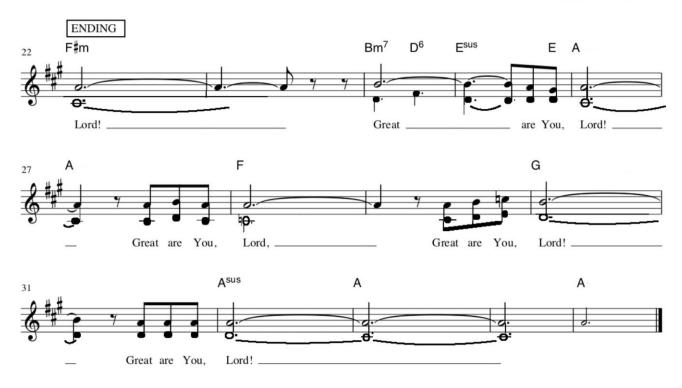
Great Is The Lord

GATHERING SONG

Words and Music by Michael W. Smith and Deborah D. Smith VERSE -= 60 A Bm E2/G# A2 D2/F# E2 Great is the Lord, He is ho - ly and just, by His pow er we trust in His D A/C; Bm A2 A Bm E2/G# A2 D2/F: E2 Great is the Lord, He is faith - ful and true by His mer - cy He proves He is love. CHORUS D A/C: Bm A2 G/A D/A G/A D A/C# Bm7 A2 G/A D/A G/A D/A Great is the Lord, and wor - thy of glo - ry. Great is the Lord, and love. Great are You, Lord, and wor - thy of glo - ry. Great are You, Lord, and 1 E/A G/A D/A G/A Е C‡ в F‡m Bm D6 A wor - thy of praise. Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great wor-thy of praise. Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice: 2 ENDING (1) Fim E/F: Esus Е Asus A Asus A Asus A Asus Bm D6 Esus Е Fim 17 is the Lord! Great are You, Lord!

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Great Is The Lord - 2



OPENING SONG

Great Things

(based on the recording by Phil Wickham) (original key - B)

> Words and Music by Phil Wickham and Jonas Myrin



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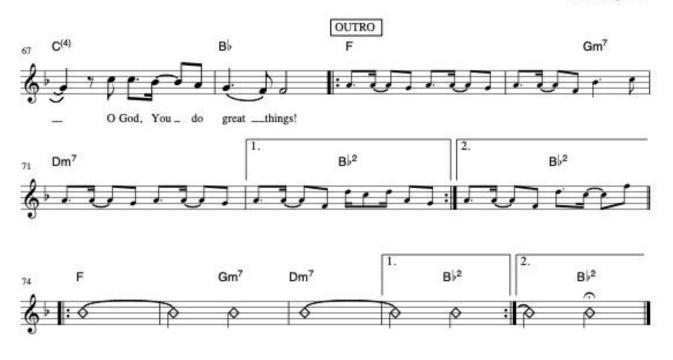
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OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

GOSPEL SONG

I Come To The Cross

Words and Music by Bob Somma and Bill Batstone



GOSPEL READING: John 2:1-11

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim.⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

MESSAGE

Signs, Signs, Everywhere a Sign

MESSAGE SONG

All Things Are Possible

Words and Music by Darlene Zschech



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All Things Are Possible - 3



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world.

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share.

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call.

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. *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)...Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need.

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you.

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

OFFERING MUSIC

Var. 18, from "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini", Op. 43

Sergei Rachmaninov

APOSTLES CREED

Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles Creed Α 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.

THE MEAL

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

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



MEAL INSTRUCTIONS

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

MEAL HYMN 1

I Love to Tell the Story 1 I love to tell the un - seen things a sto ry of bove, ry: how 2 I love to tell the sto pleas - ant to re peat 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it **b**est 20 of Je - sus and his of Je - sus and his glo - ry, love. tell it, what seems, each time I won-der-ful - ly more sweet! seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing hear it like the to rest. Ι love to tell be - cause I know it's the sto - ry, true; love to tell sto - ry, some have nev - er Ι the for heard And when, in scenes of glo - ry, Ι sing the new, new song, sat - is - fies my long-ings noth - ing else would do. it as mes-sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word. the I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that Ι have loved so long. Refrain love to tell the sto-ry; I 'twill be my theme in glo-ry Ø. the old, old Je - sus and his love. to tell sto - ry of

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

Lord I Need You



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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.

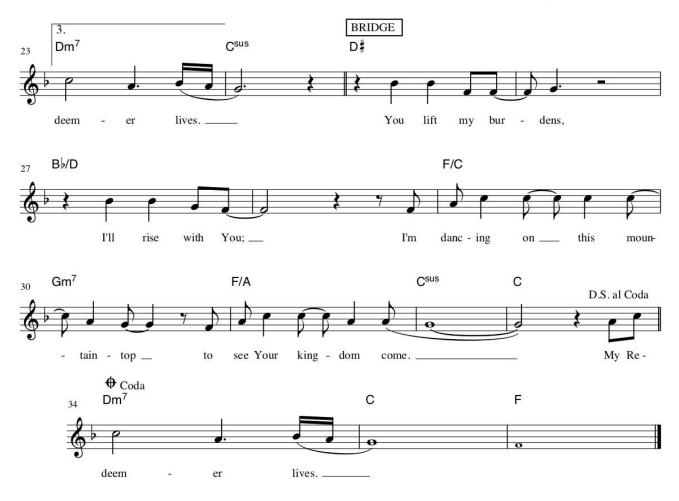
C Amen

SENDING SONG

My Redeemer Lives



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DISMISSAL

DISMISSAL SONG

JOY IN THE JOURNEY

SWING



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The Altar Flowers are given by the Powers family in memory of Matthew. Happy heavenly birthday – we love you and miss you!

The Eternal Candle for the month of January is given by Lisa and Dennis Pyeatt in honor of Kyle's 40^{th} .

The Altar Guild

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 <u>www.livinglordfl.org</u> (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.

Week of Jan. 20 - Jan. 26

<u>Monday</u>

Faith Talks 10am AA Meeting 11:30am GA Meeting 7pm

<u>Tuesday</u>

AA & Al-Anon Meeting 11:30 am Cub Scouts 6pm AA Meeting 7pm

<u>Wednesday</u>

AA Meeting 9:30am, 11:30am Pastor's Bible Study 1pm Council Meeting 7pm

<u>Thursday</u>

AA Meeting 11:30am Campus Improvement Meeting 3pm By Grace 6:30pm

<u>Friday</u>

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

<u>Saturday</u>

AA Meeting 4pm Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

<u>Sunday</u>

7:45am Traditional Service 9am The Journey 11am Traditional Service AA Meeting 6:30pm **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 3rd grade, 4th grade thru 7th 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.

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.

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

LLLC ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held

Sunday, January 26th at 12:00pm. Please plan to join us for this important church business meeting.

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

• January 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*

SMALL GROUP Wednesday January 29th at 10:30am. We will hold an initial gathering of a daytime small group at the home of Diane Frohling – 4442 Fern Drive, Bradenton, FL 34208. Phone – 941-+704-9817. You are Invited!

OUR DAILY BREAD SERVERS We need 6 servers on February 1st, 2025 from 9:15 am until approximately 11:45 am. No experience required, on the job training, pay is great, hearing the "thank-yous" from the homeless as you serve lunch. Please do not forget to include your phone number when signing up. There may be changes required at the last minute and we'll need to reach you. If you want to help, but have questions, call **Bob Scott**, **(941) 758-5954 or (817) 313-2945**

WIDOW JOURNEY You are never alone when you walk with Christ. Living Lord Lutheran Church invites all widows to join on the 2nd and 4th 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.

PRAYER LIST The Parish Life Group would like to revitalize the Prayer List. Please review and update the prayer list for any of your friends and/or family. Please contact the church office with any updates. maggie@livinglordfl.org or 941-753-9365.

DAY CAMP MEETING Planning meeting for our annual day camp will be January 28th at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in planning or promoting this event is invited to join us!

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 <u>online giving platform</u> or through a Thrivent Charitable Impact and Investing[®] 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 <u>Choice Dollars</u> to organizations helping with disaster response efforts.



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