



The Journey

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9am

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING PRAYER

C Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, Grant that in the same Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations. **AMEN**

GATHERING SONG Trading My Sorrows

Words and Music by
Darrell Evans

CHORUS

♩ = 116

G C Em D G C

I'm trad - ing - my sor - rows, - I'm trad - ing - my -
 I'm trad - ing - my sick - ness, - I'm trad - ing - my -

4 Em D/F# G C Em D G C

shame, - I'm lay - ing - them down for the joy of - the Lord. -
 pain, - I'm lay - ing - them down for the joy of - the Lord. -

VAMP

8 Em D G C Em D G C

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord; Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,

12 Em D/F# G C Em D G C

yes, yes, Lord; - Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord, a - men. -

16 Em D G

Repeat Vamp after 2X

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OPENING SONG

If We Don't Praise

Words and Music by
Rick Logan and Lynn Mann

CHORUS

D Em⁷ D/F# G
A Dm⁷ A⁷/C# D
A/C# Bm⁷ E⁹ Em⁹

If we don't sing, if we don't shout; — if we don't lift — up the name

4 A D Em⁷ D/F# G F# F#/A# Bm G

— of the — Lord; — If we don't praise His ho - ly name, then the

7 D/A G D/F# A D G/D D Fine

rocks and the stones — will cry — out.

VERSE

9 G A/G D/F# Em D G A/G

1. Oh, bless — the King — who comes — in the
2. Oh, bless — the Lord — Lord Je - sus, the —

12 G D/F# Em D F#^{sus} F#/A# Bm Bm/A

name of the Lord. — Oh, bless — the King, — Who is
Ho - ly One. — Oh, bless — the Lord, — He is

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15 Em⁷ Cmaj⁷ A⁹ A **CHORUS** D Em⁷ D/F# G D.S. al Fine

wor - thy, wor - thy to — be praised. If we don't sing,
 wor - thy, wor - thy to — be praised.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins at measure 15. The first two measures are in 3/4 time, with chords Em⁷ and Cmaj⁷. The next two measures are in 2/4 time, with chords A⁹ and A. The chorus begins in measure 5, marked with a box labeled 'CHORUS', in 4/4 time with chords D, Em⁷, D/F#, and G. The piece concludes with a double bar line and the instruction 'D.S. al Fine'.

OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.

³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body.

⁴⁵Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

GOSPEL SONG

We Fall Down

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin

VERSE

F C Dm⁷ B \flat

We fall - down, - we lay our - crowns - at the feet - of Je -

4 Gm F C Dm⁷ B \flat

- sus, - the great - ness - of - mer - cy and - love - at the feet - of Je -

CHORUS

8 C F/A B \flat maj⁷ F/A Gm F/A

- sus. And we cry ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, and we cry

11 B \flat maj⁷ F/A Gm Dm⁷ C B \flat maj⁷ F/A

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, and we cry ho - ly, ho - ly, ho -

14 Gm F/C C⁷ F B \flat /F

| | |
|-----------------------------|------|
| 1. F E \flat ² | 2. F |
|-----------------------------|------|

- ly is the Lamb. -

GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:27-38

A reading from Luke.

²⁷But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

MESSAGE

In Each Other's Shadow

MESSAGE SONG

God So Loved

(based on the recording by We The Kingdom | original key - Bb)

Words and Music by
Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash
Scott Cash and Andrew Bergthold

♩ = 100

INTRO
F^b

VERSE 1
B^b/F F

1. Come all you weary, come all you thirsty. Come to the well that never runs dry.

TURNAROUND 1
C^{sus} B^b F F^{sus} F F^{sus} F

Drink of the water, come and thirst no more.

VERSE 2
F^{sus} F F^{sus} F F

2. Come all you sinners, come find His mercy.

VERSE 2
C^{sus}

Come to the table; He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness,

TURNAROUND 2

16 $B\flat$ F F^{sus} F F^{sus} F F^{sus} F N.C.

find what — you're look - ing — for. — For

CHORUS 1

19 F

God so loved the world that — He gave us — His one and on - ly Son to save us. Who-

23 C $B\flat$ F F^{sus} F F^{sus} F

-ev - er — be-lieves in — Him — will live for - ev - er.

INTERLUDE

26 F^{sus} F F $B\flat^2/F$ F

Whoa, — whoa, — Whoa, —

VERSE 3

30 $B\flat^2/F$ F

whoa. — 3. Bring all — your fail - ures, — bring your — ad - dic - tions. —

33 C^{sus}

Come lay — them down at — the foot of — the cross, Je - sus — is wait - ing — there.

TURNAROUND 2

36 B \flat F F^{SUS} F F^{SUS} F F^{SUS} F N.C.

— with o - pen arms. — For

CHORUS 2

39 F

God so loved the world that - He gave us - His one and on - ly Son to save us. Who-

43 C B \flat F F^{SUS} F F^{SUS} F

-ev - er - believes in - Him - will live for - ev - er.

46 F^{SUS} F F

The pow'r of hell for - ev - er - de-feat - ed. - Now it is well, I'm

50 C B \flat

walk - ing - in free - dom. - For God so loved, God so loved the world. -

2nd time to Coda ♪

BRIDGE

53 F F^{SUS} F F^{SUS} F F^{SUS} F F/A


— Praise God, praise

56 B \flat F/C C^{SUS} C F/A



God from whom all bless - ings - flow. — Praise Him, praise


60 B \flat 1. F/C C^{SUS} C 2. Dm⁷



Him for the won - ders of His - love. — Praise won - ders of — His love. .

64 C^{SUS} C C^{SUS} C

CHORUS 3
N.C.



— For God so loved the

67 D.S. al Coda



world that - He gave us — His one and on - ly Son to save. For

70 Coda F^{SUS} F N.C. **VERSE 4**



4. Bring all - your fail - ures, - bring your - ad - dic - tions. -

73



Come lay — them down at — the foot of — the cross.

75



Je - sus — is wait - ing, — God so loved the world. —

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.

Surprising God, you call us to love our enemies and to show kindness in the face of cruelty. Let our actions be a shining witness of your overwhelming grace for all.

As animals hibernate and fields lay dormant, let them be a reminder that life and faith are not static but always changing and growing. May we, with all creation, trust that the ending of one thing promises life in a new way.

We pray for leaders and policymakers who work to reduce violence in our nations, cities, and towns. Give your wisdom and discernment amid heated arguments and differing viewpoints.

We pray for the victims of abuse and violence. Provide safe shelter and new beginnings to those experiencing domestic violence and dangerous situations. Enfold with love all who seek your healing care *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)...

Empower our faith communities to be signs of your gracious love. Bless the local ministries of parish nursing and caregiving, that they will be a voice for those in need in our communities.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for the enduring witness of those who have died before us. May their lives in you provide a witness of your everlasting grace.

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

His Eye Is on the Sparrow
Sami Copeland, piano

Charles Gabriel/Hayes

APOSTLES CREED

This I Believe (The Creed)

Words and music by
Matt Crocker and Ben Fielding

♩ = 72

VERSE

1. Our Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing — the all cre - at - ing one
2. Our judge and our de - fend - er — suf - fered and cru - ci - fied

— God — Al - might - ty Through your ho - ly spir - it —
— for - give - ness — is in — you De - scend - ed in - to dark - ness

— con - ceiv - ing Christ the Son — Je - sus our Sav - iour
— You rose in glo - rious life — for - ev - er seat - ed - high.

CHORUS 1

I be - lieve in God our Fa - ther I be - lieve in Christ the Son I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spir - it


our God is three in — One I be - lieve in the res - ur - rec - tion - that we will rise a - gain

for I be - lieve in the Name of Je - sus for I be - lieve in the Name of Je - sus

This I Believe (The Creed)

19 
 for I be-lieve in the Name of Je - sus I be-lieve in life e - ter - nal

23 
 I be-lieve in the vir - gin birth I be-lieve in the saints' com - mun - ion

25 
 and in Your ho - ly Church I be-lieve in the res - ur - rec - tion when Je - sus comes a - gain

28 
 for I be-lieve in the Name of Je - sus I be-lieve in God our Fa - ther

33 
 I be-lieve in Christ the Son I be-lieve in the Ho - ly Spir - it our God is three in One

36 
 I be-lieve in the res - ur - rec - tion - that we will rise a - gain for I be-lieve in the Name of Je - sus

40 
 for I be - lieve in the Name of Je - sus

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

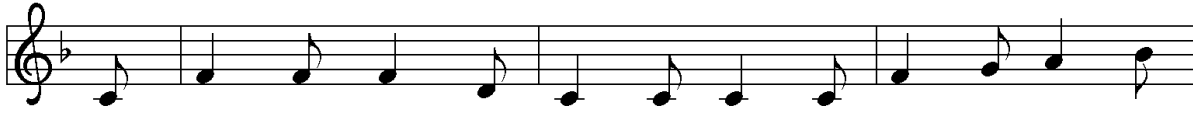
P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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

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**

I Come with Joy



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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MEAL SONG 2

Draw Me Close

Words and Music by
Kelly Carpenter

$\text{♩} = 70$ VERSE

$B\flat$ $E\flat/B\flat$ $F/B\flat$

Draw me close _ to You. _ Nev - er let _ me go. _

4 $B\flat$ F^2/A $E\flat/G$

I lay it all _ _ _ down _ a - gain _

7 Gm^2 Gm^9/F $E\flat/maj^7$ $E\flat^6$ $B\flat$

to hear You say _ that I'm _ Your friend. _ You are my _ de - sire. .

10 $E\flat/B\flat$ $F/B\flat$ $B\flat$

No one else _ will do, _

13 F^2/A $E\flat/G$

'cause noth - ing else _ could take _ Your place _

15 Gm^2 Gm^9/F $E\flat/maj^7$ $E\flat^6$

To feel the warmth _ of Your _ em - brace. _

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17 $B\flat/F$ $E\flat/F$ F $B\flat$ $E\flat/F$ F

Help me find _ the way. _ Bring me back _ to You. _

21 **CHORUS** $B\flat$ $F/B\flat$ $E\flat^2/B\flat$ $B\flat$ F/A $E\flat^2/G$ F^7sus F^7

You're all _ I want. _ You're all _ I've ev - er need - ed.

25 $B\flat$ $F/B\flat$ $E\flat^2/B\flat$ F^{11sus} F **1.** $B\flat$

You're all _ I want. _ Help me know You are near. _

29 **2.** $B\flat$ $E\flat^2/F$ F **3.** Gm^2 Gm/F **ENDING** F^{11sus} F $B\flat$

D.S.

Help me know You are here. _

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

This Is Amazing Grace

Words and Music by
Phil Wickham, Jeremy Riddle
and Josh Farro

$\text{♩} = 100$ **VERSE 1**

F B \flat 2(no3)



1. Who breaks the pow - er of sin and dark - ness, whose love is might - y —

4 Dm C



and so much strong - er? — The King of glo - ry, the King a - bove all — kings.

VERSE 2

7 B \flat 2(no3) F



— 2. Who shakes the whole earth with ho - ly thun - der

11 B \flat 2(no3) Dm



and leaves us breath - less in awe and won - der? — The King of glo - ry,

14 C B \flat 2(no3)



the King a - bove all — kings. — This is a - maz - ing — grace.

CHORUS

17 F B \flat



— this is un - fail - ing — love, —

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20 Dm



that You would take my _ place, _ that You would bear my _ cross.

23 C F



_ You _ laid down Your _ life _ that I would be _ set

27 B \flat Dm 2nd time to Coda Φ



free. _ Oh, _ Je - sus, I sing _ for

INSTRUMENTAL

30 C N.C. F



all that You've done for _ me.


VERSE 3

33 B \flat ^{2(no3)} F



3. Who brings our cha - os

36 B \flat ^{2(no3)}



back in - to ord - er, who makes the or - phan _ a son and daugh - ter? _

VERSE 4

39 Dm C F



The King of glo - ry, the King of glo - ry. 4. Who rules the na - tions

42 $B\flat^2(\text{no}3)$

with truth and jus - tice, _ shines like the sun in _ all of its bril - liance? _

45 Dm C

The King of glo - ry, the King a - bove all _ kings. _

47 $B\flat^2(\text{no}3)$ D.S. al Coda

Yeah, _ this is a - maz - ing _ grace,

49 Coda C F

all that You've done _ for me. _

52 BRIDGE F $B\flat^2(\text{no}3)$

Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain! _ Wor - thy is the King _ who con -

55 F

- quered the grave! _ Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain! _

58 $B\flat^2(\text{no}3)$ F

Wor - thy is the King _ who con - quered the grave! _ Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain! _

61 B \flat 2(no3)



— Wor - thy is the King — who con - quered the grave! —

64 Dm F B \flat 2(no3)



Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain! — Wor - thy, wor - thy, wor - thy! — Oh, —

CHORUS

67 F B \flat



— this is a - maz - ing — grace, — this is un - fail - ing — love, —

71 Dm C



that You would take my — place, — that You would bear my — cross. —

75 F



You — laid down Your — life — that I would be — set


78 B \flat Dm



free. — Oh, — Je - sus, I sing — for

ENDING

81 C F B \flat 2(no3)



all that You've done for — me, —

85 F



all that You've done for _ me. _____

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measure 85. It is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, starting with a quarter rest. A long slur covers the entire measure, with an 'F' chord symbol positioned above it. Below the staff, the lyrics 'all that You've done for _ me.' are written, with a long horizontal line extending to the right, indicating a long note or a breath mark.

88 B \flat 2(no3) F



Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measure 88. It is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat. The measure begins with a half note B-flat, followed by a quarter rest. The second half of the measure contains a quarter note G, a quarter note F, and a quarter note E. The measure concludes with a whole note F, which has a fermata symbol above it. Above the staff, the chord symbols 'B \flat 2(no3)' and 'F' are indicated.

DISMISSAL

DISMISSAL SONG

JOY IN THE JOURNEY

SWING
♩ = 168

INTRO

5 THERE IS A JOY IN THE JOUR - NEY THERE'S A

9 LIGHT WE CAN LOVE ON THE WAY

13 THERE IS A WON - DER AND WILD - NESS TO LIFE AND

17 FREE - DOM FOR THOSE WHO O - BEY AND

21 ALL THOSE WHO SEEK IT SHALL FIND IT A

25 PAR - DON FOR ALL WHO BE - LIEVE

29 HOPE FOR THE HOPE - LESS AND SIGHT FOR THE BLIND

33 AND FREE - DOM FOR THOSE WHO O - BEY

Chords: C, A-7, F, G7, Gsus7, D-7, E-7, G/F, F, C/G, G7, C

Tempo: SWING, ♩ = 168

Time Signature: 4/4



The Altar Flowers are given by Mary Torke in memory of Jayne Torke.

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

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.



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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. 24 – Mar. 2

Monday

Faith Talks 10am
AA Meeting 11:30am
Boy Scouts 6pm
GA Meeting 7pm

Tuesday

AA & Al-Anon Meeting 11:30 am
Life Group 12:30pm
Boy Scouts 6pm
Camp Meeting 6:30pm
Education Meeting 6:30pm
AA Meeting 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 9:30am, 11:30am
Christian Life Group 12:45pm
Pastor's Bible Study 1pm
Girl Scouts 6pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 11:30am
Campus Improvement Mtg. 3pm
Choir 6pm
By Grace 7:15pm

Friday

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

Saturday

Spring Jazz Concert 4pm
AA Meeting 4pm
Al-Anon Meeting 4pm

Sunday

7:45am Traditional Service
9am The Journey
11am Traditional Service
AA Meeting 6:30pm, 8pm

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 - Ages 3 thru 3rd grade is available during both the 9am and 11am Services, following Pastor's Children's Sermon. **FAITH FORMATION** for older children and teenagers is 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 or 941-753-9365.

| GENERAL OFFERING #4010 | | |
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| YEAR-TO-DATE January 31, 2025 \$32,379.03 | 2025 BUDGET January 31, 2025 \$28,546.24 | 2024 ACTUAL January 31, 2024 \$28,350.40 |

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!**

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- 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?**)

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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.

CHRISTIAN LIFE GROUP There will be a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 12:45 at church. We will continue discussing Martin Luther's catechism. All are welcome!

Easter Flowers are now on Sale! This year we will be selling: 10 – 6” pots of white Easter lilies at \$7 ea. 20 – 6” pots of Hydrangea’s at \$10 ea. Envelopes are available on the Welcome Table. Flowers will be available for pickup Easter Sunday. Thank You!!!

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® 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. 64 large quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief (49 were sent last year). An additional 3 were donated to All God’s Children fundraiser. 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.

SPRING JAZZ EVENT - Orion Trio proudly presents it’s March 1st concert at 4pm here at the church. Please invite you family, friends and neighbors to enjoy this joyous event. Admission is \$15 per person at the door.

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN PRESCHOOL is hosting their annual Spring Carnival on Saturday, March 8th from 11am to 2pm. They have asked if LLLC would sponsor a "Cookie" table. If you can bring cookies and/or help at the cookie table, please let us know on the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Please bring them on either Friday by 4pm or by 11am on Saturday.

SAFETY SEMINAR - Don't be a victim...BE SAFE! Join us on Saturday, March 8th as Manatee County Deputy Tom Kaczmarek will be speaking about keeping safe in today's Cyber Environment (ie: Cyber Crime, Fraud and Scams). We will meet at 10AM in the Activities Hall.

2025 Day Camp Those interested will meet Tuesday, February 25th at 6:30pm. Meeting in the conference room, please join us.



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