

# *Lord of Life* **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**for the Week of January 5, 2025**

## **Sunday School - Children K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K – 5th graders from Room 113.

## **Jr & Sr IMPACT Bible Class**

Students meet at 9:30 in Room 122 with Scott Peters.

## **Special Needs Bible Class**

Students meet at 9:30 with Sandy Ehrett in the Library.

## **Adult Bible Class**

At 9:30ish, Pastor leads a discussion over the book of 2 Samuel in the fellowship hall.

## **Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative**

Mike Kunschke's small group Bible study will be on hiatus until January 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **Please Remember to Take Home Your Poinsettias - today!**

Thank you to everyone who signed up to sponsor a poinsettia! Please remember to take them home with you if you would like to. Unclaimed poinsettias will be disposed of after today - Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **New Youth Bible Study - beginning today (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth)**

Scott Peters is starting a new Bible Study at 9:30am entitled "Faithfully Connected" which will meet in Room 122 (the Sr. High youth room). It will focus on integrating Biblical principles in a technology-driven and digital society.

## **Wedding Announcement**

Please join us at the marriage ceremony of Magdalena Shaltanis and Thayne Rector. Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Sunday January 12, 2:30 PM.

## **Comfort Makers**

Our Comfort Makers group meets every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at 9am. Not only do our ladies get together to make blankets for those in need, but they have tasty treats too! Our next meeting will be Jan. 17, and this time we'll have a "Salad Swap." Bring a salad to share and take some home too.

## **2025 Offering Envelope Boxes Available**

The 2025 offering envelope boxes are located on the table outside the office. In an effort to reduce waste, fewer envelope boxes have been ordered. If your number was larger than 80, you have been reassigned a lower number. If you do not want envelopes for your offerings this year, please leave your box here and let the office know so we can reissue them as needed. Envelopes not picked up for 2025 will not be issued in 2026 unless you let the office know you would like them again. Thank you for your help with this!

## Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Women's Tuesday Bible study starts a new study on January 7, 2025 at noon. *Perseverance: Praying Through Life's Challenges*, by Donna Snow. Workbooks are \$15.50, available from Charis or order your own. Bring your lunch and study God's word with friends. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or let Charis Bennett know if you plan to attend and if you need a workbook.

## 2025 Flower Chart is Available in the Narthex

The flower chart consists of monthly pages in a "Flower" binder on a table in the narthex. Each monthly page has the Sundays listed with space for your name and the occasion you wish to recognize for each arrangement. A suggested donation of \$40 per Flower arrangement may be made when the occasion is near by placing a check in the offering plate with a "flowers" notation.

No one has signed up yet for flowers on January 26. If you would like to sponsor that Sunday, please let the office know directly. Thank you!

## A Life Thought in the Church Year

No human life—and no human pregnancy—ever goes unplanned or unwanted by Almighty God. Ephesians' first chapter makes clear the Heavenly Father conceived each precious person "before the foundation of the world" (Ephesians 1:4). And the coming of Christ Jesus incorporates male and female, old or young, into heaven's household by adoption. Children come as Gospel gifts!

## This Week on KFUDO.org

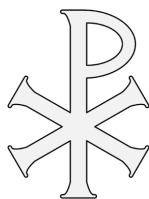
Celebrate the season of Christmas with sacred music and songs during the 12 Days of Christmas, December 24th-January 6th. Regular programming will resume on January 7th.

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## A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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The Chi-Rho is a Christian symbol consisting of the intersection of the capital Greek letters Chi (Χ) and Rho (Ρ), which are the first two letters of "Christ" in Greek (ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ, Christos). The Chi-Rho is one of many Christograms used by Christians throughout history. A Christogram is a combination of letters used to symbolize Christ, (think: Christian Monogram.)

The Chi-Rho symbol has a special relationship with the first Christian Emperor, Constantine the Great (ruled 306-337). Constantine had this symbol on his military standard (known as the labarum.) While the Chi-Rho was around before Constantine, it became much more prevalent afterward and continues to be widely used today.

## Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Organist:	Victoria Frinsko
Acolyte:	Ana Scarth
Altar Guild:	Gail Senter, Beverly Moudy, Kathy Hite
Elder:	Greg Moudy
Greeters:	Scarth family, Laurie and Abby George
Ushers:	Ben Scarth, Jeff Loewecke
Sound:	Russ Wilkerson, Doug Hite

## This Week at Lord of Life-Today, Jan 5, 2025

8:00 am	Early Worship Service
9:30 am	Jr & Sr IMPACT Class (Room 122)
	Special Needs Class (Library)
	Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall)
	Adult Bible Small Class (Room 115)
10:45 am	Late Worship Service

Tuesday, January 7

10:00 am	Ladies' Bible Study
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Wednesday, January 8

10:00 am	Midweek Bible Study
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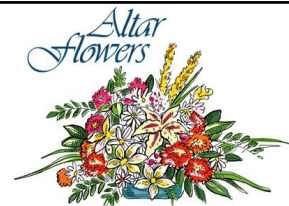
Saturday, January 11

6:30 pm	Good News Care Group
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## Next Sunday's Readings January 12, 2025

Old Testament:	Is. 43:1-7
Epistle:	Rom. 6:1-11
Gospel:	Luke 3:15-22



The flower arrangements on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Joanna Smith in celebration of her beloved mother, Pat Montalbo's, birthday, and by Jessica Gavit in gratitude for her friends and family.



Christmas

About the Cover: After Mary and Joseph found Him in the temple on the third day, Jesus responded, "Why were you looking for Me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father's house?" (Luke 2:49). After His death on the cross, women came to the tomb looking for Jesus on the third day. But the angels said, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen" (Luke 24:5-6). Jesus was doing what the Father sent Him to do: winning forgiveness, life, and salvation for us. We cannot but treasure these things in our hearts as well.