

Lord of Life ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the Week of December 21, 2025

No Sunday school classes or adult Bible study today

Please join us in the sanctuary between services for the children and youth's Christmas presentation, "Christmas FOR YOU!" There will be refreshments following in the fellowship hall.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Please join us Wednesday for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. It will be at 6:00 PM. Thursday morning, start your day off with our Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion at 10:00 AM. The nursery will not be professionally staffed during these services.

You're Invited!

Charles and Dixie Hacker joyfully invite the Lord of Life congregation to join in celebrating the marriage of their son, Ethan Hacker, to Olivia Payne. The wedding will take place here at Lord of Life on Friday, January 2nd, at 3:00 p.m. All are warmly welcome to attend and share in our joy.

2026 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 of two arrangements. We have made a change in florists. ***The new suggested donation is \$55*** per flower arrangement and may be made when the occasion is near by placing a check in the offering plate with a "flowers" notation.

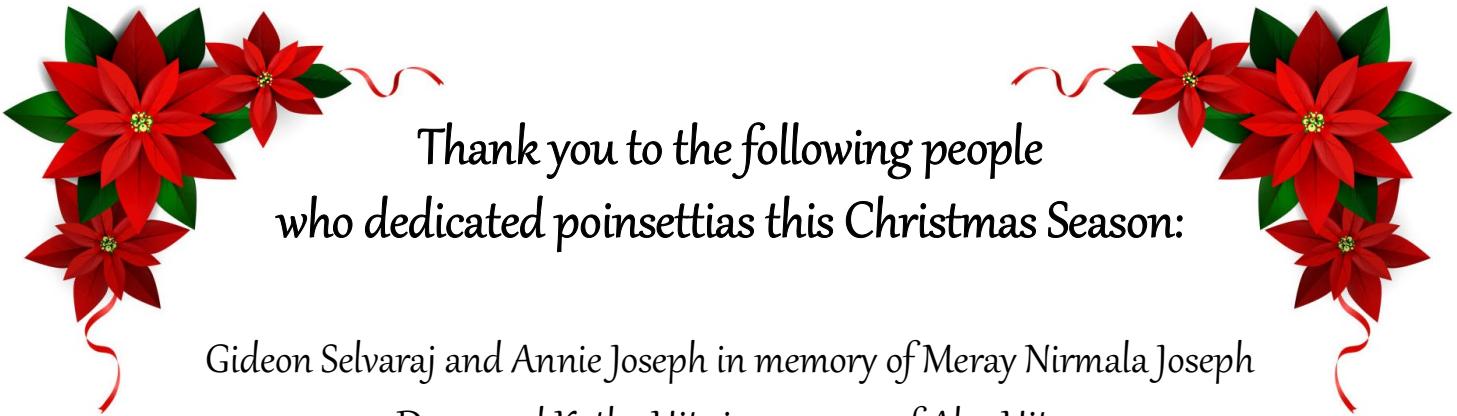
Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Women's Tuesday midday Bible study group starts a new study on January 13, 2026 at noon. *Strong and Courageous, Studying God's Promises in Joshua*, by Donna Snow. Workbooks are about \$18, 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.

Israel anyone?



As some of you may remember, we had a trip to Israel planned in 2020 that was derailed by the pandemic. Since we are past the pandemic, and political events in the Middle East have cooled down, we have decided to try again to organize a trip to the Holy Land led by Pastor Shaltanis. We have tentatively set the date for this trip as October 13-22, 2026. This 10 day trip to Israel will hit all the highlights and follows the same itinerary we had planned for the previous trip. If you are interested in going on this tour, or if you just want some additional information, contact Doug Hite or Pastor Shaltanis.



Thank you to the following people
who dedicated poinsettias this Christmas Season:

Gideon Selvaraj and Annie Joseph in memory of Meray Nirmala Joseph

Doug and Kathy Hite in memory of Alec Hite

Mike and Sandy Paradise in memory of Michael

Gary and Charlotte Bennefeld in thanksgiving for baby

Rose Moore in memory of Randy Moore

Ben and Melanie Scarth in thanksgiving for family

Jack and Nelda Schrank in thanksgiving for family

Tim and Carol Ozlowski in memory of Howerd and Helen Miessler

Tim and Carol Ozlowski in memory of John Ozlowski

Alyson Wood in memory of her grandparents

The Bunger Family in thanksgiving for family, friends, lost loved ones & Christ's birth

Scott and Jonelle Peters in thanksgiving for kids and grandkids

Al and Norma Martin in memory of parents and siblings

Brooks and Joanna Smith in memory of Pat & Gene Montablo, and John & Jeannine Smith

Brooks and Joanna Smith in memory of their beloved grandparents

Duffy and Cindy Carter in thanksgiving for our children, Samson and Jonah

Duffy and Cindy Carter in memory of our children, David, Eve and Daniel

Nora Parrent in memory of Leo

Nora Parrent in thanksgiving for her family

The Tweedies in memory of Larry Martwig

The Tweedies in memory of Dianne Tweedie

Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:
Organist:
Flute:
Altar Guild:
Elders:
Acolytes:
Greeters:
Ushers:
Sound:

Rev. Joel Shaltanis
Ambrose Shaltanis
Paige Rebber
Clarice Lundquist, Kathy Hite
Eric Wilde, Greg Moudy
Ana Scarth, Lizzie Short
Stu and Sandy Ehrett, Haley Moore, and Mary Farmer
John Frinsko, Samson Carter
Kaitlyn Hacker, Doug Hite

This Week at Lord of Life - Today, Dec. 21, 2025

8:00 AM Early Worship Service
9:30 AM Christmas FOR YOU program
(Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall)
10:45 AM Late Worship Service

Wednesday, December 24

6:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 25

10:00 AM Christmas Day Service



Next Sunday's Readings December 28, 2025

First Reading: Is. 63:7-14
Epistle: Gal. 4:4-7
Gospel: Matt 2:13-23



Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Doug and Kathy Hite in memory of their fathers; and by Duffy and Cindy Carter in celebration of Christ's birth.



Advent

About the Cover: The loving gaze of a mother upon her child is a special thing. When Mary looked into the eyes of her newborn, she was looking into the eyes of God, and He was looking back at her. Jesus is Immanuel, which means "God with us." He looks upon us with His infinite and never-ending love. He poured out His love on the cross in order to forgive our sins and have us forever.