Lord of Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)

FAMILY WEEKLY

Lord of Life

Our Mission: Inspire a deeper and richer connection to Christ, our community, and each other.

Monday, February 6

8:30 am	Faithful Mothers
10:00 am	LSS Caregiver Support Morning Out
1:30 pm	"*An Altar in the World*" Book Study
6:30 pm	Eating Disorder Support Group
7:00 pm	Cancer/Chronic Illness Support Group
7:00 pm	Sunday Contemporary Group Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 7

7:00 am	Baxter Area Kiwanis
9:00 am	55+ Driver Improvement Course (Part 1 of 2)
10:00am	Office Staff Meeting
6:30 pm	First Communion Class #4
6:30 pm	Team Meetings

Wednesday, February 8

8:00 am	7th Grade Release Day Event
9:00 am	55+ Driver Improvement Course (Part 2 of 2)
1:00 pm	8th Grade Early Out Servant Event
6:00 pm	**Worship w/First Communion Received**
6:45 pm	7th & 8th Grade Confirmation

Thursday, February 9

9:00 am	Quilters
10:00 am	Men's Fellowship
6:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop #118
6:30 pm	Staff Meeting

Friday, February 10

6:30 am	Men's Breakfast
12:00 pm	Finance Team

Saturday, February 11

Sunday, February 12– *Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*

9:00 am	**Worship w/Communion**
9:15 am	Kid's Church
10:00 am	Fellowship
10:30 am	**Worship**
10:45 am	God's Kids
11:30 am	Fellowship
12:00 pm	Soup Kitchen Ministry (Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen)
1:00 pm	Brainerd Area Germans from Russia Meeting

Sunday, February 5, 2012

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Souper Bowl of Caring

9:00 am	**Worship w/Communion - led by Mission Possible Youth**
9:15 am	Kid's Church
10:00 am	Fellowship
10:30 am	**Worship w/Communion - led by Mission Possible Youth**
10:45 am	God's Kids
11:30 am	Fellowship
11:45 am	**Annual Congregational Meeting**
12:00 pm	Liturgy Day Rehearsal
3:00 pm	PM Praise Rehearsal
4:00 pm	Heartland Conference Spiritual Growth Small Group
5:30 pm	Middle School Youth Group

Copies of the Pastor's sermons are available at the Welcome Center.

Wednesday Night Event Schedule

4:30 pm	PM Praise Rehearsal
5:30-6:30 pm	Supper
6:00 pm	**Worship w/ First Communion Received**
7:00 pm	God's Kids
7:00 pm	Senior Choir

See Wednesday schedule at far left for Confirmation information

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2:30 pm	PM Praise Rehearsal
5:30 pm	Middle School Youth Group
6:00 pm	Stretch & Pray
7:00 pm	*"Quiet Strength"* Book Study
7:00 pm	*"Prodigal God"* Book Discussion Group
7:00 pm	District Band Rehearsal

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Please submit all items for the Family Weekly to the church office by 12 noon on Thursday.

Upcoming Events...

Date/Time **Title of Activity**

February 5, 11:45 a.m. ***Annual Congregation Meeting***
The Lord of Life Family will meet on February 5, at 11:45 a.m. for our Annual Congregation Meeting. At this meeting we will receive and review activity and financial reports from 2011, elect 2012 Officers, Council and Team Members, approve the 2012 General Fund budget, and review Pastoral transition process. Copies of the 2011 Annual Report will be available at the Welcome Center starting Sunday, January 29. All confirmed members in good standing are eligible to attend, participate and vote. Plan to be a part of this family meeting!

February 15 ***"Making Sense of the Cross" Book Orders***
Dr. David Lose is the Marbury E. Anderson Chair in Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary in St. Paul. He is the author of *Making Sense of Scripture, Making Sense of the Christian Faith*, and *Making Sense of the Cross*. Now, hot off the presses and in time for Lent, we have the opportunity to study Dr. David Lose's latest book, *Making Sense of the Cross.* If you would like to order *Making Sense of the Cross* at a group rate, we will be placing a book order on February 15th. Please sign up and pay for a copy of the book at the Welcome Center. The cost for each book is $13.00.

February 17 & 18 ***Marty Haugen & Michael Joncas Liturgy Day Concert & Workshop***
Marty Haugen and Michael Joncas will be in Brainerd to lead a **Liturgy Day Concert on Friday, February 17, 2012**, at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held at Tornstrom Auditorium in Brainerd. Fr. Mike and Marty will be singing your favorites and some new music selections: a World Premiere of "Sacred This Banquet, Holy Our Feast" and more. The concert will feature the Lakes Area Ecumenical Chorus and Orchestra, and a larger Mass Choir. Tickets to the Friday night concert are just $15 each until February 11th. Tickets are available at www.cedarbrook.us, or by using the form available from the church office. **Saturday, February 18, 2012, a Liturgy Day Workshop** with Marty Haugen and Michael Joncas will be held at St. Andrew's Church in Brainerd. The theme of the day is Psalms in Christian Liturgy. Cost of $25 covers the workshop from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and lunch. LOL musicians – scholarships are available, please ask! More information on the workshop is available at http://www.cedarbrook.us/ (click on Liturgy Day for information.)

February 22 ***Ash Wednesday***
Ash Wednesday Worship will be held at Lord of Life at 12 noon and 7:00 pm.

Pastoral Transition Update

Please plan to attend the Congregational Meeting on Sunday February 5th at 11:45am for details about the status of our Pastoral Transition.

Lord, Thank you that life is never boring when we follow you! Even though we're full of questions for imprisoned by our fears, when you call us into your freedom we can escape into your care. Help us to hear your call and respond, trusting your love to lead us into then venture that you have prepared for us. Amen.

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Name Tag Request

If you are new to our church or are a member who needs a new nametag, please mark the attendance clipboards. For new worshipers, your nametag(s) will be placed in an envelope in the clear plastic file boxes on the Welcome Center by the next Sunday. Members will find their nametag(s) in their mailbox in the Narthex. Members who have forgotten their mailbox number can find a listing at the west end of the mailboxes.

Today's Text (Week of February 5):

Isaiah 40: 21-31	1 Corinthians 9: 16-23
Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c	Mark 1: 29-39

Next Week's Text (Week of February 12):

2 Kings 5:1-14	Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27	Mark 1:40-45

Please pray for strength, comfort and healing…

Don Hardy as he undergoes a procedure this week to regulate the rhythm of his heart.

Justin Banks 13 year old son of **Travis and Tracy Banks**, is hospitalized in Minneapolis with pancreatitis and gall stones. Prayers for pain relief and healing of the pancreatitis so gall bladder surgery can take place.

ReNe Bertsch, sister of **Gary Engelmann**, has been diagnosed with terminal brain cancer.

Mark Bateman's aunt, Mary Peterson, was recently diagnosed with cancer and will be undergoing more testing.

Natalie Grutsch, one year old daughter of **Rob & Bri Grutsch**, was recently diagnosed with cerebral palsy, and has been fitted with a brace for her right leg.

Tammy Myran, as she prepares for her second round of chemotherapy.

Chuck Olson tore her rotator cuff, and will be undergoing physical therapy.

Justin Semmler fractured his fifth metacarpal in his left hand.

Max Smith hospitalized from complications due to a fall.

Dick Ashmun struggling with pneumonia.

Prayers for strength for families struggling with personal and/or financial hardships.

When hospitalized, please inform the hospital that you are a member at Lord of Life, and also call the church to let us know that you are there.

The following people are known to have Caring Bridge Websites…

www.caringbridge.org/visit/firstnamelastname

Justin Banks, Natalie Grutsch, Tammy Myran (site is "tmyran")

Currently receiving treatment for cancer…

Justin Banks, Jennifer Ludwig, Marian Miller, Tammy Myran

Please continue to pray for long term healing…

Jana Behr, Dawn Benedict, Warren Benedict, John Blong, Mike Blowers, Kathy Wimmer Engelmann, Bruce Femling, Julie Halverson, Paul Hansen, Mallori Headley, Jim Jackson, Caleb Keran, Bruce Mogensen, John Obermiller, Chuck Olson, Pat Roettger, Peggy Rudkin, Beth Selinger, Connie Toensing, Tony Whitlock

Our members & family in the military

Jacob Belanger, **Jim Figliuzzi**, Darrell Geving, Kenny Gorron, Rob Grutsch, **TJ Hall, Patrick Holman, Bruce Jensen, Kevin Jensen,** Aarron Johnson, Zachariah King, Don Kottke IV, Jessica Kuhnly, Joel MacDonald, **Nate Mogensen**, Ben Nelson, Christie Nelson, **Eric Nelson**, **James Nelson**, Mike Nelson, Scott Thesing, Michael Thompson, William Toomey, **Evan Tougas,** Michael Roschen Wimmer (LOL Members are **bolded**)

Currently Deployed Overseas: Errol Belanger (Afghanistan), **Jim Bentson** (Kuwait), **Kaisone Ithivongkham** (Kuwait), **Joshua Jay** (Deployed to Sea-USS Abraham Lincoln), Jesse Seguin (Kuwait)

Currently seeking employment

Jennifer Alt (Human Resources/Research & Development); **Andy Behr** (Electrician); **David Johnson** (Auto Detailing); **Gia Lofstrom** (Guidance Counselor); **Gary Peterson** (Custodial/Handyman); **Bob Roehrich**; **Frank Ruzich** (Pharmacist); **Jackie Tyrrell** (Hospitality; Bakery)

Singers Wanted!

We're looking for some singers who would be willing to commit to leading music for the five Wednesday evening services in Lent. We'll be singing music from Marty Haugen and Susan Briehl's "Unfailing Light," an evening setting of Holy Communion.

Are you interested in joining this small group? Practices will be held on February 12, 19, and 26th beginning at 2:30 p.m. here at Lord of Life. The Wednesday night Lenten services will be held on February 29 and March 7, 14, 21 & 28.

If you would like to participate, please contact John Huhta at jjhuhta@msn.com or 218-855-1882

Happy Birthday!

2/5	Dan Anderson
	Rick Dodge
	Brianna Hansch
	Guy Kelm
	Tennyson Kelm
	Pam Miller
	Nate Mogensen
	Heidi Strus
2/6	Lance Borgstrom
	Kale Hermanson
	Jamie Wallace
2/7	Bob Joyce
	Devin Larson
	Bonnie Shipman-Banks
	Andi White
2/8	Michelle Blong
	Ed Ott
	Faith Rono
2/9	Ava Branstner
	Shirley Carper
	Alec Haug
	Clint Headley
	Mikaela Kadolph
	Pam Terhaar
2/10	Troy Gratke
	Dawson Hughes
	John Jensen
	Anna Razidlo
	Beth Selinger
2/11	Tiffany Femling
	Daniel Fromm
	Patrick Kiffmeyer
	Devin Knopf
	Katie Rangen
	Maddox Vandermay

Celebrating an Anniversary

2/9 Roland & Marie Anderson✞

❖ = **Celebrating 25-49 years!**
✞ = **Celebrating 50 years or more!**

Lord of Life's Parents-to-be

February
Jeff Allard & Amy Herboldt

March
Shane & Christine Keran
(Grandparents-Brian & Joyce Alt)

April
Darrin & Sherry Dumpprope
Jesse & Angie Lind
Adam & Jessica Jones
(Grandparents– Steve & Val Jones)

May
Jay & Kelly Blowers
Tim & Lisa Hoglin
David & Katie Selinger
(Grandparents– Dan & Beth Selinger)

Keaira Elise Vaughn

Born: January 6, 2012
Parents: Matthew & Jennifer Vaughn
Grandparents: Ken & Jan Maxfield

Henry Patrick Kiffmeyer

Born: January 19, 2012
Parents: Patrick & Raquel Kiffmeyer
Grandparents: Doug & Renee Campbell

Evan Kale Ithivongkham

Born: January 24, 2012
Parents: Kaisone & Stephanie Ithivongkham

Introducing our NEW STAFF!

Lord of Life welcomes Beth Hensel as our new part-time Receptionist.

Beth will be at the Welcome Center desk from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. M-F, and her first day was Tuesday, January 31st. Welcome to the staff of Lord of Life, Beth!

More than 20 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: ***"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."***

Since that day, more than $81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through *Souper Bowl of Caring*. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world - as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need. Every dollar donated goes to Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen, Brainerd, our 2012 *Souper Bowl of Caring* charity of choice.