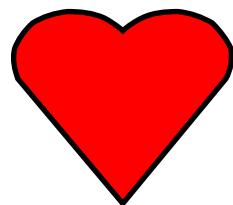


February 2026 Mast



THERE IS POWER IN PRAYER

When you pray, God listens.

When you pray, storms get stilled.

When you pray, doors open.

When you pray, relationships get restored.

When you pray, sicknesses get healed.

When you pray, hope gets rekindled.

When you pray, strength is renewed.

When you pray, answers come.

Don't lose faith about what you are
praying for today. God is faithful. His
answer will come at just the right time.



Connect with Us:

- Website: www.lolssi.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/LordofLifeSSI
- Vimeo Livestream: <https://vimeo.com/event/5036656/embed>
- Library (Vimeo Services as of April 2025): <https://vimeo.com/showcase/11648268>

Please note that all of the above links can be found on our Lord of Life website or Facebook

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Lord of Life Yard Sale

It's time to spring clean! This week while we are still chilly, explore your closet, attic, and garage for items that may be best used elsewhere. We will be accepting donations starting Tuesday, March 17th. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the church hallway for volunteers to work the week of the sale.

No clothing or shoes will be accepted.

Sale is Saturday, March 21st. 8:00 to 12:00



MANNA HOUSE

Lord of Life prepares and serves a bagged lunch each month on the second Thursday of the month. Lead cooks are assigned and volunteers are always needed to help prepare a bagged lunch or distribute a lunch and drink.

To help prepare a meal, please be at Manna House by 9:00 AM. Early duties are to prep sandwiches, fruit, salad, etc. If you can make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, you have a skill that's needed.

If you would prefer to help distribute the bagged lunches and a drink, please come at 11:00 AM. The only skills required are a smile and a kind word.

**“The whole being of any Christian is faith and love.
Faith brings the person to God; love brings the person to people.”**

Martin Luther

From the Music Director



Mary Monroe

Mary Monroe

It is very clear that no matter what version of the Bible you choose to read, to study, and to dwell in, God wants to drive home the notion of ‘love’; HIS notion of love. The above numbers represent how many times the word ‘love’ is contained in each of the mentioned biblical text translations.

Here we are, once again, in a month where greetings cards and candy companies will fill store shelves with endless opportunities to tell someone “I love you”; and you and I will participate in this yearly ritual and find joy in it. The question is...where does that joy come from? How do we express God’s love in this?

For God’s children, it is not the words of affection or the sentimental notions we will communicate inside a card; and it is not the flowers or the candy that we pass along to a loved one that expresses His agape love. God’s love is expressed in the response, the call, and the anticipation of joy that our loved one(s) will feel and receive in our desire to bind that relationship with them together, to build it up, and to hold on to it tightly. It is the same response we are compelled to express to one another and to our neighbor every day. We are called to be imitators of God’s humble, relentless, loyal, and servant driven love. It is this agape love that unites us, binds us together, and allows us to feel its joy even in the midst of the storms that our lives will bring.

So, as you sign that card this month with “I love you”, be mindful of God’s compelling call to you to understand and to live into that very powerful image of who he has called his people to be. “I love you”, Mary

Good-bye “Alleluia”

Throughout Lent, we don’t speak or sing “Alleluia” in our worship service to remind us that we are in exile from our joyful home in heaven. An old Lenten tradition is to “bury” the Alleluia. During the end of our worship service for the Transfiguration of our Lord, on February 15, the Alleluia banner is removed from the podium and placed in a casket. On Easter Sunday, it will be unfurled in a joyful celebration and displayed once again.



Choir Breakfast Fundraiser

February 15, 2026

8:00-9:00 AM

Celebrate the beginning of Lent by supporting the Chancel and Hand Bell Choirs on Sunday, February 15, in our annual fundraiser breakfast, following the worship service.

Our breakfast is a fundraiser which allows Musical Director Mary Monroe to purchase new music and other items that enhance our musical performance throughout the year. Other funds go to organ and piano tune-ups as well as hand bell upkeep.

Please make checks payable to Lord of Life, with the notation: Choir Fund.

Thank You!



From the Treasurer...

CHURCH APPROVED 2026 BUDGET

GREAT NEWS! 2025 BUDGET HAD ANTICIPATED A -\$7,349 NET LOSS ,BUT WE ENDED THE YEAR WITH A POSITIVE NET GAIN.

2026 INCOME BUDGET: WE RECEIVED 19 PLEDGES TOTALING \$98,050.00, AND \$42,000.00 FROM THE USE OF BUILDINGS. WE PROJECTED ADDITIONAL FAITH REVENUE OF \$88,950.00 TO BRING OUR ESTIMATED INCOME TO \$229,000.

2026 ESTIMATED EXPENSES: \$228,793.00 WHICH SHOWS US A POSITIVE \$207.00 GAIN BY YEARS END.

PLEDGE CARDS ARE STILL AVAILABLE.

BOB SCHWANDT, TREASURER

February 2026 Mast

BIRTHDAYS

Carol Ferguson, Feb. 3
 Becky Angelbeck, Feb. 5
 Patrice Perry, Feb. 12
 Jody Fraser, Feb. 18
 Gardi Wood, Feb. 21

BIRTHDAYS

Tim Lensch, Feb. 21
 Kelby Phillips, Feb. 24
 Nathan Long, Feb. 25
 Jasper Taylor, Feb. 25

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am, Service of worship First Sunday Fellowship	2 10 am, Bible Study	3 10 am, Tai Chi	4 9 am, Open Sewing 4:45 pm, Choir Pastor vacation	5 10 am, Tai Chi	6	7
8 9:30 am, Service of worship Mary Preaching Cub Scout Sunday	9 10 am Bible Study	10 10 am, Tai Chi	11 9 am, Open Sewing 4:45 pm, Choir	12 10 am, Tai Chi	13	14 Valentine's Day Pastor is back! 
15 8 am, Choir Breakfast fund-raiser 9:30 am, Service of worship Council Meeting	16 10 am, Bible Study	17 10 am, Tai Chi 5:30 pm, Pancakes in the Park	18 ASH WEDNESDAY 9 am, Open Sewing 12 noon Service 7 pm Service	19 10 am, Tai Chi	20	21
22 9:30 am, Service of worship Washington's Birthday	23 10 am, Bible Study 9a-3p, Heritage Oaks	24 10 am, Tai Chi 10 am, Book Club	25 9 am, Open Sewing Noon, Lenten Service & Lenten Lunch	26 10 am, Tai Chi	27 28 Anniversaries Don & Kathleen Scheuerle, Feb. 13 Renee & Joe Balka, Feb. 29	

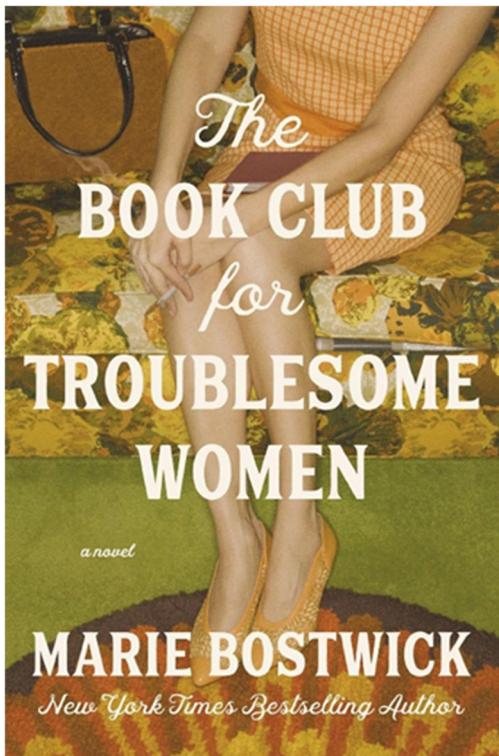


First Sunday Potluck

Fun, Food and Fellowship



Lord of Life Literary Society



Book Club will meet on February 24, in the Church Council Room, to discuss Jan Ciotti's selection **The Book Club for Troublesome Women** by Marie Bostwick.

Books are available at discount from GJ Ford bookstore, Thriftbooks.com, Amazon.com and Amazon Kindle.

All Lord of Life members are welcome to join us. Bring a friend.

Please RSVP your attendance to Jan Ciotti.

"Come, Let Us Pray



What looks impossible to man is possible with God...and it all starts with a single prayer. *I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears. Isaiah 38:5.*

As we enter the New Year, let us give the gift of prayer for each other by praying through the church directory and lifting the names of each member to God, aloud or silently.

Directories are available in the church office.



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AGAPE FEAST

Thursday, April 2, 2024

Since ancient times, our Jewish brothers and sisters have celebrated the Seder Dinner to recount and remember God's promises while they wait for Messiah. Today, as Christians, we stand on their shoulders and look beyond the cross and remember the great love Jesus has for us by celebrating the Agape (Love) Feast.

The Agape Feast is a service of Holy Communion and fellowship as we share a traditional first century meal much like our Corinthian ancestors ate. The service combines Psalms, Bible readings, hymns, and sharing communion at our tables. Then, as a community, we sing our way into the sanctuary to complete the service by stripping the altar and hearing Psalm 22 read in the quiet and darkness. We leave in silence to contemplate Jesus' abundant love for us as He willingly gave His life for ours.

Look for next month's March Mast for time and further details.



Bunco Night

March 6th, 5:30 pm

\$10 per person

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As we begin February and the season of Lent, it is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is a season for reflection and taking stock. By us observing the forty days of Lent, we as Christian imitates Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days. As we journey these next 40 days, with a series of Cross Purposes, a journey of recognizing God's purpose as we stand at the foot of the cross. We will hear how our sins have been crossed out through forgiveness, how heaven crossed the path on earth on Mount Calvary, following Christ on His cross walk, remembering the promises of the cross that was made perfect in weakness and the cross of Christ referenced and the future glory we will experience in heaven with him.

Join us on Wednesdays of Lent at 12 noon, for service and refection of God's promises for us. Join us for a light lunch after for fellowship.

Remember Ash Wednesday is February 18th. Services are at 12 noon and 7 pm.

Pancakes in the Park @ 5:30 pm on Feb 17th

Your Brother in Christ

Pastor Bob

