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## December 2, 2018 First Sunday of Advent

### Our Mission Statement

Joyfully proclaiming Jesus Christ, rooted in Scripture, growing through worship, prayer, study, fellowship and service.

If you have a prayer concern, please fill out a prayer card in the seatback. To have it announced in today's pastoral prayer, please hand it to an usher. To remain confidential, please drop it in the offering plate for Wednesday's prayer time.

### Communion

All are welcome and encouraged to participate in Holy Communion at Living Word. If you or a loved one desire communion at your seat, please raise your hand after general communion and we will come to your chair.

### *Visitors: Welcome to Living Word Lutheran Church!*

**We are so glad you chose to worship and praise the Lord with us. Our prayer is that you are richly blessed as our guest and we invite you to return in the future. We ask that you fill out a visitor card in the chair back and place it in the offering basket. Additionally, please take time to visit with a Pastor following services or stop by the "Welcome Center" for information about the church, studies & activities, age appropriate educational opportunities, ways to serve, membership, and more!**

# Calendar

## This Week at Living Word

### Sunday, December 2

- 9:15 am: Bible Education for all ages
- 10:00 am: Coffee Fellowship in the Narthex
- 6:30 am: *Shine On* College-Age Ministry

### Monday, December 3

- 12-1:00 pm: Legacy Foundation Luncheon featuring Jeanne Alex
- 1-4:00 pm: *Scripture Stitchers* | Lower Level Dining Room
- 5-7:00 pm: "*Armor of God*" by Priscilla Shirer | Adult Education Room

### Tuesday, December 4

- 12:00 noon: Men's Bible Study - Led by Pastor Kelly | Kitchenette
- 7:00 pm: Young Adult Study Group | Erika & Greg Pavek's Home

### Wednesday, December 5

- 7-10:00 am: Small group prayer | Prayer Room
- 9:30 am: *Young at Heart* | 55+ years Fellowship | Gathering Room
- 2:30-5:00 pm: *Kids 4 Christ* | 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade afterschool program
- 5:15 pm: Praise Team Practice | Sanctuary
- 5:30 pm: Confirmation
- 7:00 pm: *Celebrate Recovery* meeting | John Classroom
- 7:15 pm: *Ignite* High School Ministry

### Thursday, December 6

- 6:30 am: Men's Bible Study led by Pastor Dave | Gathering Room
- 9:30 am: Bible Study Fellowship

## Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars

- Dec. 11: Church Board Meetings | Various Church Locations | 5:30 or 7:00 pm
- Dec. 12: Potluck, Caroling, & Advent Service for ALL! See the next page for details
- Dec. 16: Children's Christmas Program | *Away in a Manger* | 10:30 am Worship
- Dec. 19: Dakota 38 Luncheon
- Dec. 19: Kids 4 Christ afterschool program for grades 3-6
- Dec. 23: ONE Sunday Morning Worship Service | 9:30 am
- Dec. 24: 10:30 am Family Christmas Eve Service | Geared toward children, families
- Dec. 24: 3:00 & 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship
- Dec. 25: 10:30 am Christmas Day Service of Carols
- Dec. 30: Regular services at 8:00 & 10:30 am. The youth of the church will usher.
- Jan. 20: Congregational Annual Meeting

### **Celebrate Recovery**

All are welcome! 7:00 pm on Wednesday evenings.

John Classroom @ Living Word

Contact Mike Lamfers at 507-530-1864

### **New Member Classes Scheduled!**

Sun, Jan 6 (9:15AM) or Wed, Jan 9 (6PM) – New Member Class #1

Sun, Jan 13 (9:15AM) or Wed, Jan 16 (6PM) – New Member Class #2

Sunday, Jan 27 – New Member Sunday

Please let the church know if you are interested in church membership at Living Word Lutheran Church. Talk to a Pastor or contact Kim Deines at 507-337-9673 or [kim@livingwordmarshall.org](mailto:kim@livingwordmarshall.org)

### ***Be Filled & Share God's Love!*** **An Outreach Opportunity for Everyone!**

All Living Word Families, Youth, & Friends are invited to come together with our *Young At Heart*\* group and SPARKLE\* Outreach Band on Wednesday, December 12 for an afternoon of food, fellowship, outreach time, and musical worship.

**Meet at Living Word or anywhere along the way as follows:**

**2:30 Meet at Living Word | Drop-off Potluck items and begin a carpool**

**3:00 Caroling at Heritage Point**

**4:00 Caroling at Hill Street Place**

**5:00 Potluck Supper and Fellowship at Living Word**

**6:00 "Lift Up Your Heads and Rejoice" Advent Worship**

**An Old Fashion Hymn Sing and Advent Service featuring a narration by Marcia Horstman and Hymn Sing led by SPARKLE Outreach Band**

Please bring a dish to pass for the potluck meal. Beverages will be provided.

The event contacts and leaders are:

Jody Isaackson 507-828-5043 & Kandice Vandendriessche 507-531-0249

\***SPARKLE**: Savior, Provider, Almighty Risen King, Light Eternal providing local Christian Outreach music under the direction of Jody Isaackson.

\***Young at Heart**: Fellowship and study group designed for those 55+ years facilitated by Kandice Vandendriessche.

Both groups are always welcoming new participants!

**Kids 4 Christ**  
**(Grades 3-6 from all area schools)**

**Kids 4 Christ** provides a fun and safe environment where kids can build friendships, enjoy a snack and Bible lesson, run and play, get homework help, and participate in special activities that pique their interest, while under the supervision of caring adults. This is a faith-based, afterschool program targeted to students 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade and is designed for children to come and encounter God's love while equipping the kids with wisdom, knowledge, and character to impact their world for Christ with servants' hearts.

We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month from 2:30-5:00pm. Please contact our Living Word coordinator, Jaci Petersen, for details at [jaci@livingwordmarshall.org](mailto:jaci@livingwordmarshall.org)

This is a breakdown of our time schedule:

**2:30-3:00: Snack & Fellowship Time**

**3:00-3:30: Homework**

**3:30: Restroom Break**

**3:45-4:00: Ice Breaker Game**

**4:00-5:00: Bible Lesson Craft and/or Experiment, Games**

For those families outside of the Marshall School District, please know that the schedule is designed for your children to attend! The *Ice Breaker Games* and *Lesson for the Day* are scheduled later each session for you to bring your children after their school day into Marshall!

**Project 'A Beanie and a Bible':** *"We were able to deliver about 150 beanie babies to the mission team leaving for Vietnam and Laos this Friday. The team had also received 2 additional boxes sent by mail because of our announcement. The team is delighted and extremely thankful. THANK YOU to all who gave to this fun cause. Lives will be changed!"* Denise Hepola