



October 2022

OUR MISSION:

**To grow a loving
community, equipped
to take the message of
Jesus to our world.**

Sunday Volunteers

Worship Greeters: Gary, Kendall,
Doug
Deacons: Andy, Luke, Brandon,
Shawn

October 2:

Coffee: Dave & Suzie Oltman
Power Point: Avyn Olson
Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste

October 9:

Coffee: Mark & Kathy
Atterbury
Power Point: Beth Olson
Sound Tech: Robbie Morrison

October 16:

Coffee: Marge & Allen Klein
Power Point: Tammy Goering
Sound Tech: Randy Sieck

October 23:

Coffee: DeAnne & Kendall
Weber
Power Point: Jenn Childers
Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen

October 30:

Coffee: Mark & Kathy Atterbury
Power Point: Avyn Olson
Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen

Thank you for your service!!!

Operation Christmas Child!

Operation Christmas Child Mission - We are quickly approaching the annual Operation Christmas Child mission project! This is a fun and simple way to share Christmas with a child in need, while also teaching your family the skill of giving. OCC is an easy mission project that you can participate in by bringing a gift-filled shoebox. LLRC will provide shoeboxes if you would like to participate. This year's national collection week is November 14th – 20th, so we ask that all shoeboxes are filled and ready to send out by Sunday, November 20th. Please contact Beth Sieck or Robbie Morrison if you want to start a shoebox or for more information. Otherwise, stay tuned for further details and instructions in our October bulletins.

Some ideas of items to pack include:

- Toys: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, yo-yos, Etch-A-Sketch, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.
- School Supplies: pens, pencils & sharpener, crayons, markers, stamps & ink pads, coloring books, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, etc.
- Hygiene items: toothbrush, soap, comb, washcloth, etc.
- More: Sunglasses, wind-up flashlights, ball caps, socks, t-shirts, toy jewelry, hair clips, watches, small books, etc.
- NO Candy or Toothpaste in the boxes
- A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

The Nursery is Open!!!

We are looking for volunteers to help during morning worship for the kids that are not old enough for Children's Church or just want to come and play in the nursery. There will be a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall on the table if you are interested. Any questions please contact Beth Sieck at 402-480-0079 or Lesa Morrison at 402-440-8399.

Consistory Minutes: September 13, 2022

The August meeting minutes, and September/October Church Calendar were approved by email prior to the meeting.)

Opening Prayer – Gary Hartgerink

Devotions: Scripture and prayer-Gary Hartgerink – What's defining you nowadays? Ephesians 3:16-19

Meeting Opened with a Recap of the Shepherd Staff weekend and all the different groups that were invited to speak with the Shepherd Staff and provide feedback on what we would like next in a Pastor.

5 Groups meet with Shepherd Staff Saturday, September 10th

- 1) Search Team
- 2) Elected Elders and Deacons (8 consistory members)
- 3) Church Staff
- 4) Highly Invested Volunteers
- 5) Key Stakeholders and Invested Parents

LLRC Mission Statement: **"To grow a loving community, equipped to take the message of Jesus to our world"**

Discipleship Pathway: **Worship→Grow→Serve→Share**

Worship

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items & Worship Experience Team
 - a. Group walked around the church and to identify areas of growth
 - b. Better signage
- 2) Media Updates Relating to Worship (Robbie)
 - a. Robbie will be making a short recruiting video to post with job description
 - b. Gathered info for potential new website
 - c. New TV in Sanctuary approved
- 3) Giving and our Treasurer's Report (Taylor)
 - a. Last Month's treasury report/budget approved by all
 - b. Taylor reviewed the budget for the year to date
 - c. Budget discussion for 2023?

Grow

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items and the Discipleship/Education Team (Ron & Dean)
 - a. Children's Church going well!
- 2) Youth Update (Robbie)
 - a. GKC Kick-Off on Sept 14th
 - b. Power Connection experience to share during worship
 - c. 3rd Graders received Bibles

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Serve

- 1) Updates from SLT Action Items (Robbie)
 - a. Tammy, Beth, and Robbie are on the committee
 - b. Shared leadership roles within LLRC and how can we identify people to assist in the church
- 2) Updates from the Building & Grounds Team (Luke & Kendall)
 - a. Parsonage needs
- 3) Updates from the Congregational Care Team (Doug & Shawn)
 - a. Contact Doug Wieskamp, Shawn Gouldin, Beth Sieck, Robbie Morrison, or Gary Hartgerink for any and all Prayer concerns/requests.

Share

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items (Andy)
 - a. created new connection cards for Share events (i.e. movie nights and Trunk or Treat)
- 2) Updates from the Share Team (Andy & Brandon)
 - a. Movie Night September 25th
 - b. Getting ready for Trunk or Treat in October
- 3) Updates on Missions
 - a. Mike Brown gave mission moment updates during service on September 11th
 - b. Video from Wilsons in Cambodia was shown September 11th

Other Items

- 1) New Business, Questions, Encouragements, etc.
- 2) Next meeting—October 11th at 7:00 pm Devotions
- 3) Snacks – Chad TerMaat (October –Doug Wieskamp)
- 4) Motion to Adjourn
- 5) Closing Circle of Prayer

Elder's Meeting

- 1) Spiritual Life of the Congregation
- 2) Pastoral Care Items

Deacon's Meeting

- 1) New Business to discussion
 - a. New TV from Memorial Fund – All Approved to purchase.
 - b. Mike Brown Campus Life donation to Chet Maendele, see if it is in the Mission budget
 - c. West retaining wall starting construction the first week of October

**Please return your
nominations for
Deacons and Elders by
Sunday,
October 2**

**Annual Congregational Meeting
Will be in November 2022**

We will vote for our new Elders & Deacons to replace those going off at the end of the year. Please be in prayer as to who should help lead our church.

Attributes of a Pastor

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A	D	F	F	D	H	E	P	R	M	P	Y	S	S	R
C	B	E	G	E	N	S	C	O	E	A	A	E	K	A
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All the words listed are in the puzzle – left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and circle it. The leftover letters will form the **mystery answer!**

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| Abilities | Accepting |
| Bible | Caring |
| Committed | Confidential |
| Counselor | Development |
| Effective | Encourages |
| Enthusiastic | Family |
| Fellowship | Gifts |
| Loyal | Mature |
| Meetings | Mission |
| New Members | Participate |
| Plans | Powerful |
| Reaches Out | Skilled |
| Stewardship | Supportive |
| Teacher | Understands |
| Worship | |

From christianbiblereference.org

Mission Updates for October



RaiseRight

Formerly ShopWithScrip

For those of you not familiar with the Scrip program the name has changed to Raise Right. Everyone here has the opportunity to purchase gift cards from various organizations at their face value. Living Life Reformed Church will get a percentage (which varies by the retailer) of that price which we put towards various missions. They also have a new mobile app. We typically have cards for Hy-Vee, Super Saver, and Wal-Mart/Sam's Club, but check the Scrip Card table in the Fellowship Hall or <http://www.raiseright.com/brands> for a list of over 600 available merchants! Members from the Great Commission Team will be at a table in the Fellowship Hall before and after Sunday morning worship with cards for purchase. All proceeds from October go to the Lincoln People City Mission.



Fall Cleanup to Be Announced for Mid-October

Please join us for on that morning for light work around the church as we prepare the grounds for winter. We have bushes to trim, leaves to rake and general fall maintenance and the more help, the quicker the work! Bring tools and gloves that fit all hands.

God's Kids Club

God's Kids Club is going strong again! A night of fun and fellowship was held in the park to kick off the year. We are thankful that God has once again provided us with faithful volunteers who give of their time, talents, and evenings to share their faith with the children of our church and community. What could be more important than sharing Jesus with others?

We are thrilled to have over 70 kids registered and more than 25 volunteers to make the nights successful! The fall GKC offering will be given to the Norris Area Food Pantry. We are looking forward to a craft night on October 19th. We are grateful for Dani Rasser who has prepared the project for that evening.



4JC

4JC - 4JC will continue to meet after the community meal on Wednesday evenings in the Family Life Center youth room starting at 6:30 pm with snacks and drinks! 4JC ends at 7:30 pm, so please plan rides accordingly. We hope to see your middle school students Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm! If you haven't done so, please register your middle school student at livinglifereformed.org (scrolling banner).

FIRE

FIRE- The Fire will continue to meet on Wednesday nights in the Family Life Center youth room with snacks and drinks! Come early at 7:45 pm to enjoy the open gym. The Fire will start in the youth room at 8:08, don't be late! The program will finish around 9 pm followed by small groups. Small groups will end before 9:30 pm. High Schoolers, invite your friends, and please register at livinglifereformed.org (scrolling banner) if you haven't done so! Hope to see you there!

Parents of Youth and Congregation - Nothing brings youth together like good snacks! One way to support our youth and youth programs is to help provide snacks! If you're interested in providing a weekly snack to the 4JC and FIRE programs, please contact Robbie Morrison for more information. Thank you!

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Collier Hestermann
- 5 Ron TeKolste
- 6 Cody Auman
Doug Wieskamp
- 7 Rhett Stuckendyer
- 9 Taylor TeKolste
- 12 Zander Olson
- 16 Mandy Cramer
- 19 Jordan Hays
- 21 Brian Auman
- 22 Randy Sieck
Lyla Morrison
- 27 Tyler Sieck
- 28 Kylie
Stuckeneyer

Anniversaries

- 11 Jeff & Kari Gottwald (26)
- 17 Kendall & DeAnn Weber (41)
- 29 Jerry & Barb Martin (61!)



Wednesday Night Family Meals starting at 5:30 pm

October 5: Grilled burger and & hot dogs, baked beans, chips, salad, dessert

October 12: Chicken, Mashed potato with gravy, corn, rolls, dessert

October 20: Pizza, garlic rolls, salad, dessert

October 27: Meatloaf, mashed potato with gravy, green beans, rolls, salad, dessert

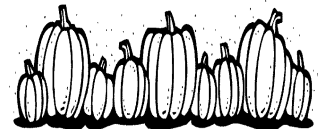
CALENDAR OF EVENTS – October

Tuesdays	6:30pm	Prayer Gatherings
Wednesdays	5:30pm	Family Meal Night
	6:30pm	4JC's
	6:30pm	God's Kids Club
	8:08pm	The Fire
Fridays	6:00am	Men's Group at LLRC Youth Room
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Sun, Oct 9	7:00pm	Afterglow Bible Study
Mon, Oct 10	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
Tue, Oct 11	7:00pm	Consistory Meeting
Wed, Oct 12	1:30pm	Mary & Martha Circle
Thu-Fri, Oct 13-14		NO SCHOOL
Mon, Oct 31		Halloween
	1:30pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
	5:30pm	Trunk or Treat!!

Mary & Martha Circle

**Wed, Oct. 12
1:30 pm**

**Lesson:
Linda DeBoer**



Family Movie Night at LLRC

Sunday, November 13th

"Samson" starts at 6 pm

A theatrical Production by

Sight and Sound Theatre

Movie for the Kids in the Youth Room

Free Admission-Popcorn and Beverage Provided



Living Life Reformed Church
603 Russell, Box 295
Firth, NE 68358



Wednesday Night

5:30-6:30pm:

Family Meals

6:30-7:30pm:

God's Kids Club

6:30-7:30pm:

4JC's (Middle School)

8:08-9:00pm:

The Fire (High School)

Sunday Morning

9:30-10:30am:

Worship Service and Livestream on
YouTube

To Contact Us:

Church Office Hours:

9:00am-12:00pm

Robbie Morrison:

Robbie.morrison@livinglifereformed.org

Join us on October 31 for a Fun Family Night!!

Make us your first stop and join us for a fun evening of fellowship and great family activities on Monday, October 31, 5:30-7:30 pm!

👻 Trunk-or-Treat in the parking lot

More details to follow – watch for the information!!

To be a part of the T&T team, please contact Andy at 402-646-0587.

Proceeds from the Free-Will offering will go to support the Family Life Center.