



**November 2022**

**OUR MISSION:**

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

# SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Worship Greeters: Dean, Ron,  
Kendall  
Deacons: Luke, Brandon, Shawn,  
Dave

## **November 6:**

Coffee: Deb & Bruce Docter  
Power Point: Myra Carlow  
Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste

## **November 13:**

Coffee: Mandy & Brandon Cramer  
Power Point: Ayvn Olson  
Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen

## **November 20:**

Coffee: Diane & Bill Wieskamp  
Power Point: Tammy Goering  
Sound Tech: Randy Sieck

## **November 27:**

Coffee: Doug & Sandy Nieveen  
Power Point: Jenn Childers  
Sound Tech: Robbie Morrison

Thank you for your service!

# Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gift!

The annual Operation Christmas Child mission project is here! This is a fun and simple way to share Christmas with a child in need, while also teaching your family the value 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. The shoeboxes will be available in Fellowship Hall next to the library. Don't forget to take a label to mark the age and gender. The LLRC Great Commission Team will cover the shipping cost donation. This year's national collection week is November 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, so we ask that all shoeboxes are filled and ready to send out **by Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please contact Beth Sieck or Robbie Morrison for more information and instructions. Remember that your shoebox may be the only gift the child receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last, and don't forget to make it fun! You can also build a shoebox online by visiting [www.samaritanspurse.org/buildonline](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/buildonline)

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.)

Please leave your gift box open. Shoebox labels will be available at the OCC Table with boy/girl labels. Thank you again for helping to make *Operation Christmas Child* a success—

GIVE *Thanks*  
to the LORD,  
FOR HE IS GOOD;  
HIS *Love* ENDURES  
FOREVER!

*Psalm 107:2*

## Points of Discussion: October 11, 2022

Devotions: Scripture and prayer-Gary Hartgerink Ephesians 2: 20-22. Who has *Who do you share your faith with? Who shares your? Is your heart open or closed?*

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

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

### Discussed with Quinn Congregational Meeting

#### Worship

- 1) Updates from the SLT Worship Experience Team
  - a. Discussed Worship Team groups schedule.
  - b. SLT: (Strategic Leadership Team): Discussed how the facilities affects guest experience.
  - c. Conversation areas for Sunday morning
- 2) Media Updates Relating to Worship
  - a. TV in Sanctuary is working, but a backup plan created if it goes out
- 3) Giving and our Treasurer's Report
  - a. Approved September/October budget and Church calendar
- 4) Other Worship Related Items:
  - a. Pulpit supply Gary H
  - b. Nursery help is needed. Please contact Beth Sieck for details

#### Grow

- 1) Updates from the SLT Grow and the Discipleship/Education Team
  - a. Looking for one more helper to assist on Sunday Children's Church.
- 2) Youth Update
  - a. 4JC (Grades 6-8), 21 kids on average. Last year the average was 13
  - b. Fire (Grades 9 – 12) Averaging 7 High Schoolers. Average in 2021 was 6
  - c. Robbie is collaborating with Chet on Campus Life events

#### Serve

- 1) Updates from SLT Serve Team
  - a. Tammy Goering, Beth Sieck, and Robbie on committee
    - i. making serving opportunities more available to everyone
- 2) Discussed the needs for Building and Grounds
- 3) Updates from the Congregational Care Team
  - a. Joyce Hetbrink in Nursing home
  - b. Marvin Weber – South Lake in Lincoln
  - c. Nancy Buck
  - d. Lynn Burner
  - e. Crabtree Family

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### Share

- 1) Updates from the SLT Share Team
  - a. Trunk or Treat on October 31
    - i. Last year we had 13 Trunks. Would like to get 20 Trunks
    - ii. 50 new collection contact card's goal at Trunk or Treat
  - b. Two more movies to come before the end of the year.
  - c. Pastor Mark's e-mail update
  - d. Family of need in the church. Fundraiser in the works

### Other Items

- 1) September Minutes (approved by all).
- 2) Handicap Accessibility Needs
- 3) Congregational Meal Discussion
- 4) Veterans Day Celebration during Service Nov 13th
- 4) Next meeting—November 8 at 7:00 pm Devotions
- 5) Snacks – Doug Wieskamp (November-Dean Hestermann)
- 6) Motion to Adjourn
- 7) Closing Circle of Prayer

### Elder's Meeting

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

### Deacon's Meeting

- 1) Discussed old business.
- 2) Discussed new business.
  - a. Approve gifts for Pastor Appreciation Month
- 3) Budget Discussion for 2023.
  - a. Set date Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> Budget Meeting @5pm at Kendal Weber's House
- 4) Elder/Deacon nomination tally
  - a. Counted Elder and Deacon Nominations
- 5) West parking retaining Wall work
  - a. October 15, 2022
  - b. October 22, 2022

## Congregational Meeting Sunday, November 13

Plan to attend – and be in prayer for – our Annual Congregational meeting **Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> after worship.** During this meeting we will discuss next year's budget and vote for 2 Elders and 2 Deacons to replace those going off at the end of the year.

We would like to thank those going off the Consistory for their work on behalf of our church family: Taylor TeKolste & Dave Oltman as deacons and Deacons Doug Wieskamp & Chad TerMaat as elders.

Additional items that we will discuss include: the 2022 financial report & 2023 budget, and discussion about the exciting things to come.

# Thanksgiving

E Y A D S R U H T U O M Y L P  
 P O T A T O E S T O R R A C S  
 U G D H U G D S E U C O R N E  
 M R A O F S N A T I R U P G D  
 P A L L F A P I E L A K A F A  
 K C A I I G I G S R N B E S R  
 I E S D N R H R H S B S P Y A  
 N L N A G A S A O A E A V H P  
 P I I Y P T R T C V R R T E R  
 R N F V R E O I I A R V D R O  
 A C F A A F W T G U Y R E B A  
 Y O U R I U A U P E C A N S S  
 E L M G S L S D D E S S E R T  
 R N O V E M B E R F A M I L Y  
 S M I R G L I P F E A S T B S

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!**

Asparagus	Biscuits
Bread	Cabbage
Carrots	Corn
Cranberry	Dessert
Dressing	Family
Feast	Grace
Grateful	Gratitude
Gravy	Harvest
Herbs	Holiday
Indians	Lincoln
Muffins	November
Parades	Pecans
Pilgrims	Plymouth
Potatoes	Praise
Prayers	Pumpkin
Puritans	Relatives
Roast	Salad
Stuffing	Thursday
Turkey	Worship

From christianbiblereference.org

Family Movie Night at LLRC

Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

“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



**RaiseRight**<sup>™</sup>

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 the price 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 Norris Area Food Pantry.

## God's Kids Club

We are thankful for all of the smiling children we have seen and the parents who bring them each week to GKC! We appreciate our faithful volunteers and the time they spend preparing for Wednesday nights. The kids and adults enjoyed craft night in October!

Upcoming dates to remember:

Wednesday, November 23-No GKC

Wednesday, December 14-Christmas Program; Parents, please watch your email for more details

**Thank You! To our wonderful volunteers with our Wednesday Family Night programs:**

**GKC Directors:** Mandy Cramer & Kari Gottwald

**3&4 Year Olds** – Brenda Rice, Sam Henderson, & Lesa Morrison

**Pre-Kindergarten** – Bonnie Walvoord, Judy Koehn

**Kindergarten** –Sara & Morgan Bartek, Kathy Atterbury, Jenn Childers, Jenn Heetderks

**1<sup>st</sup>**-Charlotte Mulder, Sandy Nieveen

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** - Shawn & Marie Gouldin, Beth Sieck

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Sarah Lefferdink & Clark Mulder

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade** –Jared & Brenda Brock, Alex & Beth Olson

**Music** – Jordan Hays, Brittany Hart

**Crafts** – Dani Rasser

**4JC:** Robbie Morrison, Janelle DeBoer, Alexis Bryant, Avyn Olson

**The Fire:** Robbie Morrison

**Meal Team:** Pearl Wieskamp, Doug & Patti Wieskamp, Mark Atterbury, Peg & Gary Hartgerink, Mary Ann Doeschot, Mel Harms, Luke Sieck, Brett Wieskamp

## 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!

### 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!

### 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. Hope to see you there!

# Birthdays

- 2 Corben Carlow
- 4 Cheryl Hestermann
- 6 Julie Hafer
- 7 Sierra Bryant
- 8 Brad Riensche  
Pearl Wieskamp
- 9 Jeff Gottwald  
Beth Olson
- 12 Chad Bryant
- 16 Brooklyn Doeschot  
Cary Prange
- 18 Mike Brown
- 19 Brandon Oltman
- 20 Kris Morrison
- 21 Michael Anderson  
Tysha Bryant
- 22 Kailey Bartek
- 24 Will Hays  
Landon Pears
- 28 Matthew Sieck
- 29 Amy Thimm
- 30 Ashley Auman  
Rick DeBoer

## Mary & Martha Circle Wednesday, Nov. 9

1:30pm

Lesson– Bonnie Walvoord



## Wednesday Family Meals

- Nov 2**– Breakfast Casserole, Pancakes, French Toast, Applesauce
- Nov 9**– Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Roll, Dessert
- Nov 16** – Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Vegetables, Salad, Cinnamon Rolls
- Nov 23**– No Meal or regular programs: Please, join us for our Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7:00 pm

## Anniversary

- 16–Taylor & Leah  
TeKolste (3)
- 29–Jared & Brenda  
Brock (1)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS – November

<b>Tuesdays</b>	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering
<b>Wednesdays</b>	5:30pm	Family Meal
	6:30pm	4JC's
	6:30pm	GKC, Small Groups
	8:00pm	The Fire
<b>Fridays</b>	6:00am	Men's Bible Study at LLRC
<b>Mon, Nov 1</b>	1:30pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
<b>Fri, Nov 4</b>		No School for Norris
<b>Tue, Nov 8</b>	7:00pm	Consistory Meeting
<b>Wed, Nov 9</b>	1:30pm	Mary & Martha Circle
<b>Sun, Nov 13</b>	10:45am	Congregational Meeting/Meal
	6:00 pm	Movie "Samson"
	7:00pm	Afterglow
<b>Mon, Nov 21</b>	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
<b>Wed- Fri Nov 23-25</b>		No School Norris
<b>Wed, Nov 23</b>	7:00pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service
<b>Thurs, Nov 24</b>		<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>

give  
Thanks  
with a  
GRATEFUL  
Heart

~THESSALONIANS 5:6

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### **Wednesday Night**

**5:30-6:30pm:**

Fellowship Meal

**6:30-7:30pm:**

4JC (Middle School)

**6:30-7:30pm:**

God's Kids Club

**6:30-7:30pm:**

Adult Bible Studies

**8:00-9:30pm:**

The Fire (High School)

### **Sunday Morning**

**9:30-10:30am:**

Worship Service &  
Livestream on YouTube

### **To Contact Us**

**Church Office Hours:**

9:00am-12:00pm

**Robbie Morrison:**

robbie.morrison@livinglifereformed.org



## **Thanksgiving Evening Service**

Wednesday,  
November 23  
7:00 pm

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