



March 2023

OUR MISSION:

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

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Deacons: Brett, Keith, Andy, Luke

March 5:

Coffee: Dani & Luke Rasser

Greeters: Mark TenHulzen

Nursery: Leah T. & Courtney D.

Sunday School: Dani R

PowerPoint: Avyn Olson

Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste

March 12:

Coffee: Peg & Gary Hartgerink

Greeters: Brittany Hart

Nursery: Sam & Ashton Henderson

Sunday School: Tammy G.

PowerPoint: Avyn Olson

Sound Tech: Robbie Morrison

March 19:

Coffee: Dave & Suzie Oltman

Greeters: Ilene Docter

Nursery: Beth Sieck & Judy Koehn

Sunday School: Dawnelle D.

PowerPoint: Tammy Goering

Sound Tech: Randy Sieck

March 26:

Coffee: Bruce & Deb Docter

Greeters: Mel & Karen Harms

Nursery: Rick & Janelle DeBoer

Sunday School: Sandy N.

PowerPoint: Jenn Childers

Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen

Thank you all for your service!!!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – March

Tuesdays	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering
Wednesdays	5:30pm	Fellowship Meal
	6:30pm	GKC, 4JC
		Bible Studies
	7:45pm	The Fire
Fridays	6:00am	Friday Men @ LLRC

Wed, March 8	1:30pm	Mary & Martha Circle
Fri, March 10		No School at Norris
Sun, March 12		Daylight Savings Time
	7:00pm	Afterglow Bible Study
Tue, March 14	6:30pm	Consistory Meeting
Wed, March 15	5:30pm	Last Family Night
Wed, March 22	6:00pm	Chili Cook Off

Volunteer Opportunities

Sunday School-3 years to 1st Grade

March 12	Tammy G/Need Helper
March 19	Dawnelle D./Need Helper
March 26	Sandy N./Need Helper

If you are interested in volunteering for one of the dates above, please email Beth Sieck at church@livinglifereformed.org.

Wednesday Family Night Meal Menu

March 8: Pizza, Garlic Rolls, Salad, Dessert

March 15: Grilled burgers/hot dogs, Baked Beans, Chips, Salad, Dessert

Consistory Notes – February 14, 2023

(The January meeting minutes and February Church Calendar were approved at the meeting)

Opening Prayer: Gary

Devotions: Luke Sieck – Acts 20:28

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

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

The meeting was started and attended briefly by Quinn Tirrel. Most of the time spent with Quinn was a discussion of the candidate that was presented to the board by the Search Committee.

Worship

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items & Worship Experience Team (Kendall)
 - a. Group met and talked about information/direction signs that are needed in the church.
 - b. Paint samples for the Fellowship Hall are being discussed.
 - c. Talked about changes that the team wants to make in the Fellowship Hall.
 - d. Lighting in Fellowship Hall is being looked at.
 - e. Striping in the parking lot needs to be freshened up.
- 2) Media updates relating to Worship (Robbie)
- 3) Giving and our Treasurer's Report (Shawn)
 - a. Review Data from January
 - b. Motion and 2nd were made to accept, the vote was passed.
- 4) Encouragements, Feedback, or Evaluation on **Worship?**

Grow

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items and the Discipleship/Education Team (Ron & Dean)
 - a. Discussed Sunday school. All felt that it was going well.
- 2) Youth Update (Robbie)
- 3) Encouragements, Feedback, or Evaluation on **Grow?**

Serve

- 1) Updates from SLT Action Items (Robbie)
- 2) Updates from the Building & Grounds Team (Luke & Brett)
 - a. Will be working on the mowing list for 2023.
- 3) Updates from the Congregational Care Team (Bruce & Gary)
 - a. Looking to set up a list of people that are in need.
- 4) Encouragements, Feedback, or Evaluation on **Serve?**

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Consistory Notes-February 14, 2023

Share

- 1) Updates from the SLT Action Items (Andy)
 - a. Bible Trivia night was held on February 26, 2023.
- 2) Updates from the Share Team (Andy & Brandon)
 - a. No update on this as the meeting will be held on the 20th.
- 3) Updates on Missions
- 4) Encouragements, Feedback, or Evaluation on **Share?**

Other Items

- 1) New Business, Questions, Encouragements, etc.
 - a. Took time to discuss the pastoral search and the Search Committee's recommendation. Motion created and 2nd obtained to take the next steps in pursuing Nat Crawford as a pastor. Vote was 10 Yes, 0 No. Also noted the 2 absent members each gave a Yes vote.
- 2) Next consistory meeting – March 14 at 6:30pm
- 3) Snacks & Devotions for March – Kendell Weber
- 4) Motion to Adjourn
- 5) Closing Circle of Prayer

Elder's Meeting

- 1) Discussed the Spiritual Life of the Congregation
- 2) Classis Report Discussion
 - a. Filled this out as a group.

Deacon's Meeting

- 1) Any Old Business to discuss?
- 2) Any New Business to discuss?



Chili Cook-Off & Auction

Wednesday, March 22nd 6:00 pm

Homemade chili, chicken noodle soup,
veggies & cinnamon rolls.

A free-will offering will be accepted.

Auction of additional items with all proceeds
going towards the 4JC retreat in April and The
Fire's trip to Rocky Mountain High in July.

God's Kids Club

GKC has gone by so quickly! **Wednesday, March 15** will be the final evening for the family meal and God's Kids Club.

Our spring semester offering will go to the Norris Area Food Pantry. On March 1, the 5th-grade GKC students will spend the evening playing bingo with the residents of Lakeview Assisted Living in Firth.

We are so grateful for all of our volunteers that give freely of their time to make Wednesday evenings a huge success! We are thankful that you have shared your kids with us on Wednesday nights and look forward to seeing them again in the fall!

We would appreciate your prayer support, asking that we can end strong, with faithful attendance, and open hearts to God's leading!

LENT & EASTER EVENTS

Maundy Thursday: April 6th

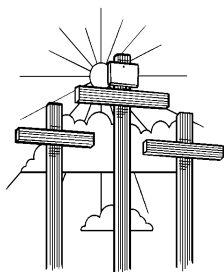
Join us for a special service with communion at our church at 7:00pm.

Easter Breakfast & Worship: April 9th

8:30am – A special Easter brunch for everyone

9:30am – The celebration of Easter

Additional information about both events will be available soon.



Giving Options!

Don't forget to contribute so that God's vision and ministry can continue in the days ahead. There are numerous ways to give financially. You could:

- 1) Leave your gift in the offering plate on Sundays.
- 2) Sign-up to give through an automatic withdrawal (ACH) from your personal checking or savings account. Contact Kendall Weber (402-430-0348) for an ACH form to fill out and Kendall will submit it to your bank to set up a weekly withdraw from your account.
- 3) Online giving is an option through our church website at livinglifereformed.churchcenter.com/giving. This is a secure site with an easy set-up process.
- 4) "Text to Give": Text any dollar amount (example: \$20) to "84321" to give. A quick set-up process will be needed to tie your mobile phone to LLRC, your donation account (for year-end giving statements), and a payment source. After the initial setup, giving is as easy as sending a text message!

If you have questions about online or text giving, contact Shawn Gouldin at 402-440-3694.

4JC & THE FIRE

4JC & The Fire continues through the month of March on Wednesday nights! 4JC meets from 6:30-7:30pm in the Family Life Center youth room. The Fire will also meet in the same spot from 7:45-9:30pm. There will be no 4JC or Fire on Wednesday, March 22nd. Instead, students will help with the annual Chili Cook-Off & Auction.

Chili Cook-Off & Auction

Join us for our annual Chili Cook-Off & Auction Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We'll serve the contestant's homemade chili, chicken noodle soup, veggies, and cinnamon rolls. A free-will offering will be accepted. Additionally, there will be an auction with numerous items for you to bid on. All proceeds from the Chili Cook-Off & Auction will go towards the 4JC middle school retreat in April, and the high schoolers trip to Rocky Mountain High in July.

Chili Cook-Off Registration

Do you have a tasty chili recipe? Enter the LLRC Chili Cook-Off for a chance to win this year's best voted chili. The contest entry is free and open to everyone! Simply sign up and make some delicious chili for Wednesday, March 22nd at 6pm. If you are interested in signing up for the Chili Cook-Off or would like more information about this event, please contact Robbie Morrison. You can also register at <https://forms/gle/BrDknf7tsBvsPeJm9> or scan the QR code with your smart phone.



Auction Entry Registration

We're also looking for people to auction off their creativity, crafts, and talents in numerous ways to raise money for the youth during our Chili Cook-Off on Wednesday, March 22nd. This could include your famous homemade cookies, pies, desserts, food items, artistic crafts, or talents in a trade. The possibilities are endless! Please reach out to Robbie Morrison, if you haven't already done so, to let him know what you want to auction off. Thank you for participating and supporting our youth!

Lent

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

All the words listed below are in the puzzle – left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and circle it.

Ascension
 Butterfly
 Calvary
 Crosses
 Crucified
 Easter
 Everlasting
 Forgiveness
 Gethsemane
 Good Friday
 Jerusalem
 Jesus
 Last Supper
 Lent
 Linens
 Maundy Thursday
 Miracles
 Palm Sunday
 Repentance
 Resurrection
 Rose Again
 Stone
 Transformation
 Triumphant

Family Life Center Usage!!

If you would like to use the Family Life Center or the church facility, please contact Beth first to see if it is available. Everyone will need to sign new policies for gym usage for 2023. Please call or text Beth (402-480-0079). Thank you!!

Mary & Martha Circle

Wednesday, March 8, 1:30 pm

Lesson: Ilene Docter

Anniversaries

- 5 Dennis & Sheila Ebbers (47)
- 20 Rod & Mary Jean TeKolste (42)
- 28 James & Judeen Price (53)
- 29 Brandon & Mandy Cramer (15)
- 31 Allan & Claudette Docter (64)

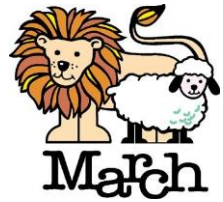
March

Birthdays

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| 1 Cory Hart | 18 Marian Mulder |
| 2 Sarah Lefferdink | 19 Kim Spencer |
| 3 Dean Hestermann
Tracy Riensche | 20 Suzie Oltman
Leah TeKolste |
| 6 Carol DeBoer | 21 Jody Null |
| 7 Raegan Cramer | Urijah Harvey |
| 9 Dani Rasser | Mel Maendele |
| 10 Hudson Brock | 24 Annali Hays |
| 12 Jeff Morrison | 25 Tristan Brewer |
| 13 Henry Rasser | 28 Brett Wieskamp |
| 15 Azariah Harvey | 29 Adeline Brewer |
| | 30 Andy Johnson |
| | Drake Bryant |
| | 31 Stephanie Auman |
| | Jim Price |



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Wednesday Night

5:30-6:30pm:

Fellowship Meal
(Ends March 15th)

6:30-7:30pm:

4JC's (Middle School)

6:30-7:30pm:

God's Kids Club
(Ends March 1^h)

7:45-9:30pm:

The Fire (High School)

Sunday Morning

9:30-10:30am:

Worship Service &
Livestream on YouTube

To Contact Us:

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9:00am-12:00pm

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joyful
IN HOPE
patient
IN AFFLICTION
faithful
IN PRAYER
-ROMANS 12:12

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