

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



Welcome to Living Life Reformed Church Firth, Nebraska April 28, 2024

We Continue to Pray for Cheryl Gouldin, Mike Brown, Nathan & Jamie DeJong's family, Mikalaa Norgaard, Marvin Weber, Lydia Tirrel, and Betty Shullaw. Thank you for your Prayers!

Pray for Donna Likens and wisdom for the doctors as they decide what type of heart surgery is needed.

Pray for wisdom for our church and the consistory as to what direction God is leading us.

FREE Movie at LLRC

When: Friday, May 3 at 7pm

Where: Sanctuary

All are welcome to attend!



Roots & Rhythms of a Healthy Music Ministry



Donald Adams who is our interim worship coordinator and associate pastor wants to invite the congregation after church next **Sunday, May 5** in the youth room! Pastor Donald will discuss his vision and his heart for the music ministry . Taco bar provided! Everyone welcome!

VBS Save the Date!

We're so excited to announce the dates for Summer Vacation Bible School!

Mark your calendars for the evenings of **Monday- Wednesday, June 3-5** evenings of lessons, crafts, skits, and more.

Registration information for 3-year-olds (potty-trained) through current 6th graders is available by going to our website livinglifereformed.org and clicking on the scrolling banner for VBS!

Parents & high schoolers, we would love to have your help with VBS! We'll need teachers, assistants, area leaders, and more. If you are interested in helping, please email Beth at church@livinglifereformed.org.

Watch for additional announcements as we get closer to the dates!

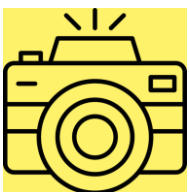
Branson Trip Dates

If you desire to go on the September 4-7 trip you can be put on the waiting list.
November 6-9

See Linda DeBoer or Ilene Docter for more details.

Maintenance Issues or Problems with Buildings & Grounds Inside or Outside
Please communicate with Beth Sieck and we will contact the deacons to help.

LLRC Pictorial Directory



We are doing a pictorial directory this year!!! There will be a photo booth set up in the connection area before and after church to have us take a picture of your family this week and next week. If you would like to submit a picture by email, please email a picture of your family to church@livinglifereformed.org. with your family name in the subject line. Excited to see all your smiling faces!

<p align="center"><u>Sunday Worship Nursery</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Babies through 3-year-olds who are not yet ready for Kids Church. • Always staffed with 2 adults or an adult/high schooler combo. • Join our volunteer rotation! Contact Beth: church@livinglifereformed.org • A changing table and private place for moms are also available. • A great place to bring your child so you and others can focus on the morning message. 	<p align="center"><u>Jesus' Little Lamb Kids Church</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday School for potty-trained 3YO to kindergarten during worship! • Check out the Resource table in the Fellowship Hall! • Please pick your child up from room 18 at the end of worship. • To join our teacher rotation, contact Kathy: kathyandmark1993@gmail.com • Lesson plans & special activities or crafts are provided each week for you. 	<p align="center"><u>Youth Sunday School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Grade through 5th Grade • Current Challenge: Memorize The Lord's Prayer • Offering: Norris Food Pantry • Video Bible lesson and discussion • Parent volunteers are welcome! Contact Ron to join the rotation: ronderosa@windstream.net • Please pick up your children from the gym at the end of worship.
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We need you!

We are looking for musicians. Do you play an instrument? We have opportunities to serve.

Do you like kids? We have childcare opportunities to engage in outreach at LLRC.

Do you have skills and abilities that can serve the church and serve the community? We want to know!

E-mail Beth with your skills!
church@livinglifereformed.org

***NEW* Women's Fitness Class- REFIT- All fitness levels welcome. FREE to the entire community and free Childcare.**

Cardio-Dance.
 Mondays: 9:00- 10:00am

Contact Tiffany Crawford with questions by email or cell phone below.

Email: singin18@gmail.com
 Cell Phone: 402-770-0168

SHOEBOX MISSION PROJECT

APRIL we are collecting games for the shoebox mission project. There is a tote is designated to put your donated items in the fellowship hall by the kitchen.

Suggestions of items needed are: Uno, Farkle, Tic Tac Toe, Memory, Matching, Old Maid, Dominos, Cards, Dice games, etc. You may have more ideas that would fit in the shoebox. Just a reminder that no liquids can be put in the boxes.

GIVING OPTIONS!

Please continue to give so LLRC's vision and ministries can continue. There are numerous ways to give including...

- **Sunday Morning Offerings:** Please note the mission in the memo line for special mission gifts.
- **Automatic Withdrawal** from your bank account. Contact Ken Weber (402-430-0348) for an ACH form.
- **Online Giving** through our church website livinglifereformed.churchcenter.com/giving or the QR code→.
- **Text to Give** any dollar amount to "84321".




For more information about online or text giving, contact any Deacon.

OFFERING	April 21	YTD	Budget Needs (17 Week)
Offering	\$7,596	\$140,629	\$160,701 (\$9453 x 17)
Sunday School			\$150 Norris Backpack Program
Building Loan			\$53,361 Remaining Balance

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Sun, April 28	9:30am	Morning Worship/Sunday School Communion
Mon, April 29	9:00am	Refit Class at the Gym
Tue, April 30	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering
Fri, May 3	6:00am	Men's Group (Youth Room)
	7:00pm	Movie Letter to America Church
Sun, May 5	9:30am	Morning Worship/Sunday School Family Meeting after worship



Sunday Volunteers

	April 28	May 5
Elder:	Bruce Docter	Dan Rice
Greeter:	Mel & Karen Harms	Need a Greeter
Coffee:	Breck Doeschot	Dani & Luke Rasser
PowerPoint:	Jenn Childers	Tony Noble
Video:	Josh Gillett	Josh Gillett
Sound:	Keith TenHulzen	Taylor TeKolste
Nursery:	Beth S & Sarah W	Courtney D & Leah T
KC 3-Kind:	Sandy N & DeAnn W	Dani R & Sarah B
SS 1st-5th Gr:	Ron DeBoer	Dean Hestermann

Contact the church office to join our volunteers!





MAY NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the last Sunday of April! Please read through the newsletter to see the birthdays & anniversaries, our church event calendar, and information about special events. Copies of the monthly consistory minutes are available on the Fellowship Hall table or contact Beth Sieck in the church office.

Birthdays

- 2 Mary Jean TeKolste
- 3 Brad Bartek
Cheryl Gouldin
- 4 Allan Docter
- 6 Landon Crawford
Joyce Hietbrink
- 7 Josh Gillett
- 8 Adeline Brock
- 12 Doug Nieveen
- 14 Ashton Henderson
- 15 Deb Docter
- 17 Haley Gillett
- 19 Morgan Bartek
- 21 Judy Koehn
Phyllis Johnson
- 23 Everson Walvoord
- 25 Dan Rice
Lloyd Prange
- 26 Nash Whalen
- 29 Edward Dorn
- 30 Grant Gouldin
- 31 Lynn Gana

Anniversaries

- 4 Steve & Jenn Childers (23)
- 25 Doug & Tammy Goering (33)

Sunday Morning

9:30-10:30am:

Worship Service &
Livestream on YouTube

To Contact Us:

Please call before coming over to be sure the office is open.

Church Office Hours: 9am-12pm

Need to get ahold of our Pastors? Email or call the office and leave a message with Beth.

Pastor Nat Crawford

Nat.crawford@livinglifereformed.org

Pastor James Wilson

James.wilson@livinglifereformedchurch.org

Interim Worship & Associate Pastor

Donald Adams

donald.adams@livinglifereformed.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – May

Mondays	9:00am	Refit Class
Tuesdays	6:30pm	Prayer Group
Fridays	6:30am	Men's Group
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Fri, May 3	6:30pm	Movie Letter to the American Church at LLRC
Sun, May 5	10:45am	Family Meeting after worship
Mon, May 6	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting
Wed, May 8	1:00pm	Mary & Martha Circle
Sun, May 12		Happy Mother's Day
	7:00pm	Afterglow Bible Study
Tue, May 14	6:30pm	Consistory Meeting
Fri, May 17		Last Day of School at Norris
Sun, May 19	9:30am	Recognize Seniors during Worship
	10:45am	Family Meeting after Worship
Sun, May 26	9:30am	Communion
Mon, May 27		Memorial Day! Office Closed

4JC & The Fire

Auction & Pancake Feed Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who supported our youth fundraiser! Your kindness was overwhelming and helped make our summer events much more affordable!

Summer Events

The High School and Middle School group finished up their study of the Sermon on the Mount and has finished meeting for this school year. However, parents, please check your email for information on the summer ministry events we have planned.

Summer Camp

Though the early bird deadline has passed, students can still register for summer camp. The camp is being held July 1-5 in Kansas City. Please be in prayer for our group as we have the opportunity to step out of our normal routines to seek the Lord. Please contact Pastor James for more information.

SHOEBOX MISSION PROJECT

May we are collecting hard plastic tableware for the shoebox mission project. There is a tote designated to put your donated items in the fellowship hall by the kitchen.

Suggestions of items needed are: Plastic bowls, drinking tumblers with lids, plastic glasses, we even found a few hard plastic tableware. You may have more ideas that would fit in the shoebox. Please no glass items.

Just a reminder that no liquids can be put in the boxes.

Sunday Volunteers

Deacons: Randy, Brandon C, Shawn, Brett

May 5:

Elder: Dan Rice

Greeters: **Need a Greeter**

Coffee: Dani & Luke Rasser

PowerPoint: Tony Noble

Video: Ethan/Matthew Sieck

Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste

Nursery: Courtney D & Leah T

JLLKC Ages 3-K: Dani & Sarah B.

SS 1st-5th Grade: Dean Hestermann

May 12: (Mother's Day)

Elder: Gary Hartgerink

Greeters: **Need a Greeter**

Coffee: Sandy & Doug Nieveen

PowerPoint: Karen Wedding

Video: Randy Sieck

Sound Tech: Ken Walls

Nursery: Sam & Ashton Henderson

JLLKC Ages 3-K: Haley G & Courtney D

SS 1st-5th Grade: Ron DeBoer

May 19:

Elder: Kendall Weber

Greeters: Allan & Claudette

Coffee: Diane & Bill Wieskamp

PowerPoint: Tammy Goering

Video: Josh Gillett

Sound Tech: Randy Sieck

Nursery: Beth Sieck & Helper

JLLKC Ages 3-K: Brenda R & Jess P

SS 1st-5th Grade: Lainey & Andy Johnson

May 26:

Elder: Bruce Docter

Greeters: Linda DeBoer

Coffee: Deb & Bruce Docter

PowerPoint: Jenn Childers

Video: Matthew/Ethan Sieck

Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen

Nursery: Sara B & Sarah Bartek

JLLKC Ages 3-K: Sandy N & DeAnn W

SS 1st-5th Grade: Ron DeBoer

Mowing Schedule

April 21- May 4: Rick D & Mark T

May 5-May 18: Bill W & Randy S

May 19-June 1: Doug Wieskamp

Thank you for all your Service!!!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Allie Morrison will graduate from Norris High School on Sunday, May 19, and attend the University of Nebraska-Omaha majoring in math. This summer she will be working and also traveling to Greece and Italy. She is the daughter of Jeff & Kristina Morrison.

Avyn Olson will graduate from Lincoln High on Saturday, May 25. Her college plans are undecided at this time. She is the daughter of Alex & Beth Olson.

Josh Wilson will graduate from Lincoln East High School on Saturday, May 25 and attend Kansas State next year for a Statistics degree with a sports emphasis. His summer plans are family vacations, work, and disc golfing. He is the son of James & Tami Wilson.

Morgan Bartek will graduate from Norris High School on Sunday, May 19, and attend Iowa Western Community College majoring in Criminal Justice. Summer plans are to nanny. She is the daughter of Brad & Sara Bartek.

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Ashton Henderson will be graduating in May with his Master's degree! He will be awarded a Master of Science in Intelligence and Security Studies from Bellevue University. He is currently a full-time Recruiter for the Nebraska Army National Guard in southeast Nebraska and plans to continue his career in the guard.

Reagan Hestermann will graduate from Illinois State with her degree in Exercise Science. She will be applying to PA in the fall. She is the daughter of Dean & Cheryl Hestermann.

Riley Hestermann will graduate from UNL with her Nutrition degree and attend Perfusion School in the Fall at UMNC. She is the daughter of Dean & Cheryl Hestermann.



Church Items Use

It's time for graduation parties! There are a very limited number of tables & chairs available for use for our church family. If you need to borrow some for your event, please contact the church office so we can keep track of our inventory. Please check before using any equipment!!

