

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 September 29, 2024

We Continue to Pray for Nathan & Jamie DeJong's family, Deborah Sikyta, Elijah Walls, Cheryl Cramer, Brad Bartek, and Mike Brown. Thank you for the Prayers!

Please pray as you nominate elders and deacons for the upcoming 2025 year.

Pray for Jackie Catholos as she prepares for kidney cancer surgery on October 4.

The Congregational Meeting is this Sunday, September 29 after worship to vote on the amended 2024 budget as proposed. Only members can vote at the meeting. Thank you.

Leadership is Essential!

All Active church members will have Nomination Ballots for Elders and Deacons in their church mailbox. Please read the information and qualifications carefully, be in prayer for those you'd like to nominate to our church board and return your nominations to the ballot box by the pastor's pictures no later than **Sunday, October 6**. If you have any questions, please contact an elder, deacon, or Pastor Nat. The Congregational Meeting will be on **November 10**.

Budget Time is Here!

The Deacons are in the process of planning the 2024 Church Budget. Group and Committee leaders are asked to turn in your 2024 proposed budget requests to Randy or Shawn by October 18. To help the Deacons evaluate your budget proposal, please also turn in a short explanation of your budget request.

Trunk or Treat

When: Thursday, October 31 from 5:30 to 7:00pm.
If you are interested in having a trunk at the event, please reach out to Jason DeBoer and Donald Adams, or email the church office at beth.sieck@livinglifereformed.net to reserve your spot.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS!

Please join us after our family community meals from 5:30-6:30pm and let's fellowship together. This study begins at 6:30pm in the library and ends at 7:30 as the youth programs are done. Contact Mary Jean TeKolste at 402-450-8183 by call or text or email at tekolste6@msn.com for more information or to join this study. We look forward to meeting and fellowshipping with you!

Family Night Meals start at 5:30pm!

God's Kids Club

God's Kids Club is for children who are 3 years old, and potty trained through 5th grade. The time we meet is from 6:30-7:30pm.

Please register your children with the link below.

<https://livinglifereformed.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2435853>

Please get in touch with Kathy Atterbury at 402-540-1319, Mandy Cramer at 402-540-0303, or call the church office if you are interested in helping or have questions.

Connect

We plan to meet on Wednesday weekly from 6:30 to 8:00pm this school year in the youth room.

Please register on the church's website event page, or through this link below:

<https://9swwidku364.typeform.com/to/wkJ2JMkT>

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor James at james.wilon@livinglifereformed.net




Women's Fitness Class REFIT- Cardio-Dance! Wednesday from 9-10am

All fitness levels are welcome. FREE to the community!
Contact Tiffany Crawford with questions by email or cell phone below.

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

Wednesday Family Night Schedule

Meal: 5:30-6:30pm
God's Kids Club: 6:30-7:30pm
The Youth: 6:30-8:00pm
**Men & Women's Bible Study:
6:30-7:30pm**

<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: beth.sieck@livinglifechurch.net • 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>Sunday Kids Church</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-5 Year olds (potty trained) who are in Preschool & Kindergarten) Room 18 • Grade 1st to 5th Grade -Youth Room • Check out the Resource table in the Fellowship Hall! • Please pick your child up from room 18 or YR at the end of worship. • Lesson plans & special activities or crafts are provided each week for you. 	<p align="center"><u>Kid's Church</u></p> <p>If you want to volunteer or have questions, please email Kathy with the email below. If we get enough volunteers, you will only have to teach once a month!</p> <p align="center">Kathy Email: kids@livinglifechurch.net</p> 
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LLRC FOOD PANTRY

Located just outside the east wing doors for those in need. If you know of someone needing Free Pantry Items, please take food for them. Donations for the pantry should be left in tote in the connection area (NOT in the Pantry). Please do not have expired food!! Monetary donations are also welcome and can be dropped in the offering plate or mailed to the church. Contact Peg Reutzel (402-791-3034 with any questions.

Adult Bible Study & Kids SS

The Adult Bible study continues through October 27 in the Youth Room, we will have Kids SS on the Sermon on the Mount for Children ages 3(potty trained) to 5th Grade.

The teachers will take the kids from their classroom to Room 6 after Kid's Church. The time of the Adult Bible Study and Sunday School is 11:00-11:45am.



If you have not filled out a registration form, for each child, please use the QR Code. Thanks!

SHOEBOX MISSION PROJECT

September we are collecting toys for the shoebox mission project. There is a tote designated to put your donated items in the connection area.

Suggestions of items needed are:
Small balls, toy cars, smaller dolls, etc. Reminder that items need to fit in a shoe box. If the ball requires a pump, please include that.


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 Barb Nelson (402-821-8264) 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.



GIVING	YTD	Budget (39 Week)
TOTAL INCOME	\$304,518.69	\$315,003(8077 x 39)
SEPT. TO DATE	\$33,297.47	

The total income reflects general and loose offerings.
Thank you for all your giving each month!


THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Sun, Sept. 29	9:30am	Morning Worship/Sunday School Communion
	10:30am	Family Meeting Voting (Budget)
	11:00am	Adult Bible Study (Youth Room) Kids Sunday School (Room 6)
	3:00pm	Young Family Life Groups
Tue, Oct. 1	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering
Wed, Oct. 2	9:00am	Refit Class at the Gym
	5:30pm	Family Night
Fri, Oct. 4	6:00am	Men's Group (Youth Room)
Sun, Oct. 6	9:30am	Morning Worship/Sunday School
	10:30am	Family Meeting Voting (Budget)
	11:00am	Adult Bible Study (Youth Room) Kids Sunday School (Room 6)
	3:00pm	Young Family Life Groups
	7:00pm	Letters to the American Church Movie

Sunday Volunteers

	<u>September 29</u>	<u>October 6</u>
Greeter:	Mark TenHulzen	Ilene Docter
Coffee:	Dave & Suzie Oltman	DeAnn & Kendall W
PowerPoint:	Jason DeBoer	Tony Noble
Video:	Matthew Sieck	Matthew Sieck
Sound:	Ken Walls	Taylor TeKolste
Nursery:	Sarah Walls	Courtney D & Leah T
Mowing:	Sept 22- Oct 5 Brent Docter	

Contact the church office to join our volunteers!






OCTOBER

Birthdays

- 1 Collier Hestermann
- 2 Jack Birkett
- 5 Ron TeKolste
- 6 Cody Auman
Doug Wieskamp
Chris Wilson
- 9 Taylor TeKolste
- 16 Mandy Cramer
James Wilson
- 19 Jordan Hays
- 20 Tristan Conley
- 21 Brian Auman
- 22 Randy Sieck
- 27 Tyler Sieck

Anniversaries

- 12 Dale & Kristin Taylor (12)
- 17 Kendall & DeAnn Weber (43)
- 29 Jerry & Barb Martin (64!)

Movie at Living Life Church Gym
Letters to the American Church
When: October 6 at 7:00pm



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the last Sunday of September! 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 our church website or contact Beth Sieck in the church office.

October Schedule of Events

Tuesdays	6:30pm	Prayer Gatherings
Wednesdays	9:00am	Refit Class in Gym
	5:30pm	Family Meal Night
	6:30pm	God's Kids Club, Connect
	6:30pm	Men & Women's Bible Studies
Fridays	6:00am	Men's Prayer Group (Youth Room)
Sundays	9:30am	Morning Worship & Sunday School

Special Events

Sun, Oct 6	9:30am	Elder/Deacon Nomination Due Back
	7:00pm	Movie "Letter to the American Church"
Mon, Oct 7	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
Tue, Oct 8	7:00pm	Church Board Meeting
Wed, Oct 9	1:00pm	Mary & Martha Circle
Sun, Oct 13	7:00pm	Afterglow Bible Study
Thu-Fri, Oct 17-18		NO SCHOOL
Sun, Oct 27	9:30am	Communion
Mon, Oct 28	1:30pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene Docter)
Thurs, Oct 31	5:30pm	Trunk or Treat!!



Christmas Trees Needed

We are searching for artificial ever-green pine trees of varying shapes & sizes.

Options:

- Donate a used tree you no longer need.
- Borrow one to use for the winter season (Put your name on the box & the main support pole so they can be returned in February)
- Donate money & sponsor a tree alongside other LLC members

Please contact Beth Sieck with any questions by email at beth.sieck@livinglifechurch.net Thank you so much!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

We would like to invite you to participate in showing encouragement and appreciation to each of our pastors by "filling their buckets" during the month of October.

* Write a note or card with your personal thoughts.

* Purchase a small gift or gift card.

Labeled buckets will be placed by the Welcome Center at the bottom of the steps. Drop your notes, cards, and items in the buckets.

Pastor Nat:

Favorite snacks- Nuts, Beef Jerky, Spicy Chex Mix
Favorite beverages- Coffee, LaCroix Sparkling Water

Favorite candy- sugar-free cinnamon gum
Gift cards- Amazon

Pastor James:

Favorite snacks- Popcorn, Pistachios
Favorite beverages- Mountain Berry Powerade

Favorite candy- Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Milking Way
Gift cards- Amazon, Scheels

Pastor Donald:

Favorite snacks- Cashews

Favorite candy- Swedish Fish

Favorite beverages- Coffee, Coke Zero

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Deacons: Brandon O, Randy, Brandon C, Shawn

October 6

Greeters: Ilene Docter
Coffee: DeAnn & Kendall Weber
PowerPoint: Tony Noble
Video: Matthew Sieck
Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste
Nursery: Courtney D & Leah T

October 13

Greeter: Mel & Karen Harms
Coffee: Dani & Luke Rasser
PowerPoint: Karen Wedding
Video: Josh Gillett
Sound Tech: Ken Walls
Nursery: Samantha & Ashton Henderson

October 20

Greeter: Need a Greeter
Coffee: Jared & Brenda Brock
PowerPoint: Tammy Goering
Video: Matthew Sieck
Sound Tech: Randy Sieck
Nursery: Beth Sieck & Helper

October 27

Greeters: Need a Greeter
Coffee: Bill & Diane Wieskamp
PowerPoint: Jenn Childers
Video: Josh Gillett
Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen
Nursery: Sarah Walls & Sara Bartek

Thank you for all your help!



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@livinglifechurch.net

Pastor James Wilson

[James.wilson@livinglifechurch.net](mailto:james.wilson@livinglifechurch.net)

Worship & Associate Pastor Donald Adams

Donald.adams@livinglifechurch.net



Thank you to all who donated this past year for this worthwhile project. We are always accepting items for this mission project. Just a reminder that no liquid items can be accepted.

In **October** we are putting out shoe boxes for individuals or families who still want to pack a shoe box themselves. Please pick up a box and have it returned to church by **Sunday, November 3rd**.

Everyone is invited to a packing of the shoe boxes on Sunday, November 3rd, and meet at the church from 3 pm to 5 pm. Come and have a great time while working to pack shoeboxes for a great mission.

God's Kids Club

God's Kids Club is going strong! 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? The kids will be learning Bible stories and memory verses in class, so ask them to share with you at home!

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.

Connect

A little over a year ago, we moved to one youth group, combining the high school and middle school ministries. With this has come a name change. 'Connect' is now the Youth Group of Living Life Church, consisting of both High School and Middle School students. 'Connect' stems from our goals to connect students to Christ through the teaching of the Word and prayer, and to connect students to other believers through fellowship and caring for one another's needs.

Wednesday Nights

Our Wednesday evening ministry kicked off a few weeks ago and has been going excellent. Students have been interacting well during our fellowship time, singing loudly in our worship, tracking well with the lessons, and engaging well in our small groups. Please keep our students in prayer as we study the book of James this fall. We are hopeful that the students allow God's Word to prompt them to put their faith into action on a daily basis.

Todd Becker Foundation—Stint Takeover

On Wednesday, October 2, the Todd Becker Foundation will be conducting an event at Living Life called a Stint Takeover. They will be engaging the students during the fellowship time, then leading the worship and teaching time. Our regular schedule will be in place—the students are welcome to eat at the family meal, then join in on fellowship in the youth room or the gym. At 6:45 the fellowship time will end, and the program will begin in the youth room. Guests are welcome, so please feel free to invite students from the area. Please contact Pastor James if you have any questions at james.wilson@livinglifechurch.net.