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October 2023



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WORSHIP
SCHEDULE

Sundays: 9 am Adult Bible Study
10 am – In-Person Worship
& Virtual Worship via YouTube
(search for Lord of Life Lutheran
Church ELCA)

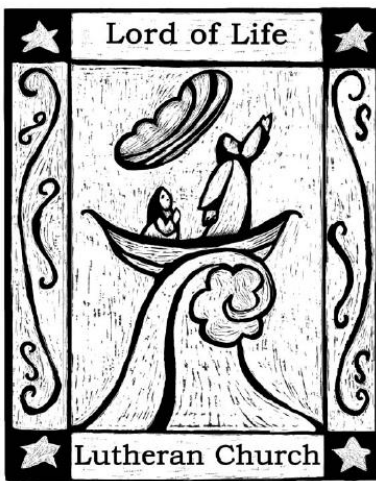
Eucharist: Every Sunday

**Goodbye Beautiful
SEPTEMBER.**

**Thank You for the sunny days, the Laughter,
the Love & the Magical Moments.**

**We're ready for you OCTOBER, please
be an even better month for our
Family & Friends!!**





Life-Lines

October 2023



A FEW THOUGHTS ...

It's the beginning of the last quarter of 2023...

1. What does God want to happen at Lord of Life Lutheran? What do the people of God at Lord of Life want to happen? What surprises can we expect when we allow the Spirit to blow where she will? How is God calling us into God's mission? How do you think God will surprise us when we engage in God's mission? How is God shaping our/your vision? What does the Spirit want us to see? How will you respond?
2. Mission planning takes seriously the culture of the people: What does the community around our church look like? Who lives here? Who is missing? How does the demographic data around our church compare to the make-up of our congregation? (Acts 17:22-28)
3. Develop a Missional Plan/Mission of the Church to embrace our faith.
4. How can we help restore people & renew the congregation following the stress and

isolation due to recent years, as people need healing and restoration for themselves and for the church community? What are we hoping will be accomplished? Where might we be leaders committed to evangelism and intentional outreach - 1 mile, 3 miles, and 5 miles to create a diverse community?

5. Coordinate the Call/Search Committees for: Clergy & Music Minister.

... I pray that: God's work & our hands and hearts are active & faithful.

+ PJ, Interim Pastor



ALTAR GUILD

Welcome Fall!!

Thank you to Grace Barnes for setting the altar for communion during September. Barbara Kyles will serve in October.

Thank you Sheryll Albert who changed the banners. Green paraments will remain until Reformation.

Ginny King
(919) 763-0445

WHAT DOES GOD REALLY WANT?



It's Fun at the YMCA

Yes it is. Bruce Murray is the current president of the Garner Morning Rotary Club and also the head and Director of Poole Family YMCA here in Garner. At the Rotary meeting on August 30th, Bruce asked the LOL Rotary Crew if it might be possible to host the meeting the following week on behalf of Rotary, the YMCA and the Chamber of Commerce **in the basketball court and without stoves or electricity**. What we were thinking was No Way, can't do it, impossible – but what we actually said was YES WE CAN!

The following Tuesday Tim met with Becky Roof and Helen to transport everything but the kitchen sink to the Y. Wednesday morning, September 6th Alecia and Tom, Rena and Clyde, Becky, Linda, Julia, Ginny and Helen baked and transported 7 hot casseroles along with juice, yogurts, bagels and cream cheese, muffins and Danish to the Y where they had transformed the basketball court into a lovely dining hall.

The Y personnel got us up moving some muscles we didn't even know we had! After eating, Bruce explained about the Rotary and the YMCA and gave credit to Lord of Life for the breakfast. The Chamber of Commerce introduced each member and had time to network before the event ended with free throw shots to the basket to win a Y membership. What fun!!!

LOL + Rotary + YMCA + Chamber of Commerce = 75 well satisfied people. Our biggest turnout ever! It was our "away game" and we aced it!!



Helen Holderman

Peggy's Smile



While we were away, we received the sad news regarding Peggy's death. I had a brief conversation with Dave just a few days before we started our trip so I knew she was back in the hospital and undergoing severe pain management and possibly another round of treatment. We all know Peggy faced all of these treatments with a courageous, unbroken spirit. But this is not about her last treatments or the pain but a memory of the Peggy we knew, with her beautiful Smile.

Peg's Smile could light up the room and certainly our sanctuary. When I am sitting up front with the choir, I'm looking out at each of you. When I saw Peggy's Smile, I wanted to believe she was responding just to me. However, Dave sat right behind me, so I am thinking her Smile was probably directed toward Dave. She always appeared to be both proud and encouraging of Dave's choice to re-join the choir and join us as our lone male voice.

In a conversation with Peggy just a few weeks earlier, I was struck by her determined tenacious spirit, positive attitude and always her Smile. Even then, that Smile was transmitted over the phone in her voice.

I'm sure her Smile is lighting the way as she approaches the gates of Heaven.

Thank you Peggy for leaving us that beautiful memory and your legacy, your Smile.

God's Blessings for you and your family.

Rita Clark



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Social Concerns Meeting after Worship	2	3	4 7 am Rotary Breakfast 7 pm Choir Practice	5	6 7 pm men's group	7
8 Council Meeting after Worship	9	10	11 7 am Rotary Breakfast 7 pm Choir Practice	12	13	14 11 am <i>Celebration of Life</i> Peg Stamp
15 Worship & Music Meeting after Worship	16	17	18 7 am Rotary Breakfast 7 pm Choir Practice	19	20	21
22 	23	24	25 7 am Rotary Breakfast 7 pm Choir Practice	26 	27 	28
29 	30	31 	<p>Sundays 9 am Bible Study 10 am Worship 11 am Fellowship</p>			



We pray for our world
and those in it with hope
for our future.

Families of Peg Stamp,
Ellis (Tony) Guedel, and
Monna Stamm; Kathy
Hart's brother, Dan
Stamm; Ginny King's sister,
Mary Anna Strickler –

broken hip/hip replacement; Sylvia Lambert's
grandson, Ian Lambert – deployment to Republic of
Niger, West Africa; Diana Havenstein; Rob
Havenstein; Mary Ann Jackson – brain tumor;
Dayshaun – sickle cell anemia/seizure/ stroke/
recovering from surgery; Wendy Casey's mom,
Barbara – under hospice care; Sheryll's friend, Tony
– terminal cancer; Judy Stewart – multiple health
issues; Carolyn Watkin's neighbor, Mr. Smith; Clyde
Bogle's sister-in-law, Wanda – cancer; Tim & Rita
Clarks sister-in-law, Jane Clark – breast cancer has
returned; Jim Powers; Sharon Vietri; Linda Hash's
brother, Charles Barlow, and sister-in-law, Beth
Hash Lennon; Jonathan McCoy; Rebecca Swanson's
sister in PA – Post Polio Syndrome, and her
nephew, Dr. David Shaefer; Lora Clark's friend,
Rebecca Bowman, recovering; Tess Andrews
brother, David Van Benschoten; Pam Klawiter's co-
worker, Carolyn Harbertson - breast cancer; Holly
Hans' sister, Heather House and her family; Holly
Hans' mother, Carol Hardy.



Happy Birthday

May God give you the strength and
wisdom to smoothly surmount all
the challenges life brings you. Stay
blessed and enjoy your day to the
fullest.



October

October 1	Kristin Hayduk
October 2	Tim Clark
	Connie Fortmeyer
October 5	Keara Grayson
October 8	Avery Britt
October 10	Scott Lokken
October 14	Tom Harrison
October 25	Amy Macurdy
	Thomas Isaacs

November

November 2	Maddie Terrazas
November 2	Carolyn Watkins
November 4	Paul Savolainen
November 5	Michael Eggert
November 5	Tess Andrews
November 7	Benjamin Lowe
November 8	Jeremy Hans
November 11	Mark Macurdy
November 15	Ryan Johnson
November 17	Kari Britt
November 21	Ryan Roof
November 22	Bobby Grayson
November 22	Brad Hunnicutt
November 23	Christopher Hayduk
November 24	Jason Blanchard
November 28	Terry Barnes
November 29	Lindsay Crocker

You Are Invited to the NC Women of the ELCA
2023 FALL CONFERENCE GATHERING
"WOW– Women of the Word"



WHAT: 2023 Triangle Conference Fall Gathering where we will gather for food and fellowship, collect offerings, experience a thought-provoking Bible Study, and hold a Candlelight Service of Remembrance for the Christine Bohr-Anderson Seminary Scholarship.

WHERE: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC 27607

WHEN: October 14, 2023, 9:30 Check-in, 10:00 Program begins, Ends with Lunch.

BIBLE STUDY: "**WOW – Women of the WORD**" Explore the transforming power of finding ourselves in Scripture through the stories of three women who had Super Powers – Huldah, Esther and Ruth. We yearn for a WOW time of astonishment and adoration of God's transforming work in our lives and in the life of this organization. We will look to how Jesus and the Holy Spirit guided these women and still guide us today.

OFFERINGS:

- Regular Offering to Children's Advocacy Centers of N. C. (www.cacnc.org) an organization dedicated to helping victims of child abuse
- 2023 Pennies Offering to Bishop's Challenge "Welcoming the Stranger" with donations going to Church World Services (www.cwsglobal.org)
- Donations to the Christine Bohr Anderson Seminary Scholarship
- In-Kind Offering - Families Together Welcome Basket or Emergency Pantry items (Lists at <https://famiestogethernc.org/inkind>)

COST AND REGISTER: Checks in the amount of \$10.00 may be made payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, include "WELCA - conference fall gathering" in the memo line, and mail to the attention of Kathy Pearson at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC 27607 along with this form **by October 7. We look forward to seeing you!**

Questions?? – email Kathy Pearson, at klpearson573@gmail.com

Name and Church _____

Contact information (email and/or phone number) _____