

May & June 2026

LIFELINES

The monthly newsletter of Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Friends in Christ,

As the days grow longer and the weather invites us outside again, May and June bring a natural shift in rhythm. Schedules loosen, school years wrap up, vacations begin, and we find ourselves drawn back to something deeply good: time together.

Family time matters.

Whether it's sitting around the dinner table a little longer, watching kids run through the yard, taking a road trip, or simply enjoying a quiet evening on the porch—these are not just "extra" moments. They are sacred spaces where love is shared, stories are told, and relationships are strengthened. In a world that often pushes us to do more and hurry faster, choosing to slow down and be present with one another is a holy act.

And just as important is our time together as a church family.

Summer can sometimes scatter us, but it also gives us unique opportunities to reconnect in meaningful ways—worship that feels a little lighter, conversations that linger a little longer, gatherings that remind us we are not alone in this journey of faith. Church isn't just another thing on the calendar; it's a place where we are known, encouraged, and reminded of God's grace in real and tangible ways.

Scripture reminds us: *"How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity"* (Psalm 133:1). That unity shows up around kitchen tables, at backyard cookouts, in pews on Sunday morning, and in the simple act of showing up for one another.

So here's my encouragement for the months ahead:

Make space for what matters most.
Prioritize time with those closest to you.
Say yes to moments that build connection.
Stay rooted in your church family, even as schedules shift.

Because in both our homes and our congregation, God is at work—shaping us, sustaining us, and reminding us that we belong to one another.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Chip

SERVING YOU AT LORD OF LIFE

Rev. Chip Lutz

- Pastor

Angie Wollschlager

- Church Administrator

Connie Wittmus

- Admin. Assistant

Sue Quever

- Parish Nurse

Claudia Murillo

- Bookkeeper

Karel Suchy

- Music Director

Nancy Cerminara

- Custodian

Church Council

Matt Ley

- President

Ralph McCarthy

- Vice President &
Treasurer

Tanya Brady

- Secretary

Russ Brewer

Kathy Cooper

Lynn Kancian

Gary Kovacs

- Members-at-large

Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday
10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.



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We are led by love and inspired by grace to serve.

METZ MACHINES BIKE BLESSING

COMMUNITY | PROTECTIVE | MEANINGFUL | FAITH



Blessings for your bike, your ride, and your journey

When: May 30th 10am-2pm
Where: 3700 72nd Ave Kenosha, WI
Please join us and Pastor Chip from Lord of Life for our 4rd annual Bike Blessing at Metz Machines

www.metzmachines.com

come **serve** with us

PB&J at the ELCA Outreach Center
Fridays at 11:15 a.m.
6218 26th Avenue
Join us to serve pizza & a short Bible study

Community Meal
Sundays, May 10 & June 14th at 3:45 p.m.
Living Faith Lutheran Church
2915 Wright Ave, Racine.
Help assemble and distribute 130 meals.



CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN UP DAY
Saturday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m.
Bring your tools and gloves if you have them. If not, still show up and we will put you to work. Help us spruce up our church property - many hands make lighter work.



GET YOUR PAN BACK, EVERY TIME!

We have started a new fundraiser to help raise funds to replace the carpet in the original part of the building (built in 1991). We have partnered with That's My Pan!® who offers a variety of personalized products including cake pans & lids, coffee mugs, cookie tins, cutting boards, utensils, pet products, and more! These are great gift ideas or just to treat yourself and Lord of Life earns \$4—\$12 per item!

Stop at the table in the narthex to see samples, then shop our online store at www.thatsmypan.biz/lord_of_life.

God COVERS US IN GRACE

WE'RE JUST TRYING TO COVER the floor.



-  A SPACE FOR WORSHIP
-  A WELCOME FOR EVERYONE
-  A PLACE FOR CONNECTION
-  A FOUNDATION FOR THE NEXT CHAPTER

 Every gift makes a difference.
Thank you for helping us create a warm, welcoming space for our church family and our community.

GIVE TODAY. HELP US COVER THE COST. *Make an impact that lasts.*

Donations can be placed in the offering basket or mailed to the church, or you can [CLICK HERE](#) to donate electronically. Please just note "carpet" with your donation.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

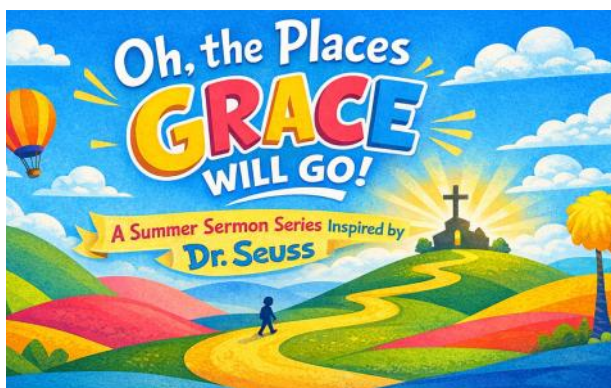
Our summer schedule begins on May 23rd (Memorial Day Weekend) and we will NOT hold worship on that date. (We will gather on May 30th)

We WILL hold worship at 5:00 p.m. on the following Saturdays:

- June 6 & 20
- July 11 & 25
- August 8 & 22

JUNE EVENTS

JOIN US FOR AN EIGHT WEEK SERMON SERIES INSPIRED BY STORIES THAT STIR THE IMAGINATION.



Beginning the weekend of June 6/7

Oh, the Places You'll Go! We go not because we are ready—but because Christ is with us.

Horton Hears a Who You are seen. You are known. You are not overlooked by God.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas Grace doesn't demand a better heart—it gives you a new one.

Green Eggs and Ham Don't miss God's work because it doesn't look like what you expected.

The Lorax Faith cares—because God first cared for us and all creation.

The Sneetches In Christ, you don't need a star to belong.

Yertle the Turtle Yertle builds a kingdom on backs. Jesus kneels and washes feet. One climbs higher. The other goes lower.

The Cat in the Hat Christ brings peace not by avoiding the mess—but by entering it.

BAGELS & BIBLES MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, June 20
at 8:00 a.m.

Our annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, June 28th following worship.

Our annual congregational report, highlighting the activities of our mission and ministry the past year will be shared ahead of time.

A quorum of 5% of our members must be present to hold the meeting, so your attendance is important.



KENOSHA KINGFISH BASEBALL EVENT

Saturday, June 27, 2026

6:35 p.m. Game vs. Battle Creek Battle Jacks

\$29 per person for the Founders Club Package

- ♦ Seats are behind home plate (covered) and include:
 - ♦ All you can eat food from the concessions through the 5th inning.
 - ♦ All you can drink soda and water through the 8th inning.
 - ♦ Wristband that has three tabs on it that can be used for beer/seltzer, kids games, or ice cream
- Kids 5 and under are free, unless they require their own seat.*

Sign up by Sunday, June 7

If you're reading this electronically, you can [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up. A paper sign up is available on the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

You'll be contacted by the church office about payment when we get closer to the event.

BBQ & Bibles

Fourth Wednesday of the Month

June 24, July 22 & August 26

We'll gather at 6:00 p.m. on the patio to start grilling, fellowshiping and having fun, followed by a Bible Study.

Please bring a dish to share.

BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) &
BYOLC (Bring Your Own Lawn Chair)



We would like to recognize our Lord of Life graduates in a future newsletter. Please send an email to the church office at office@lordoflifekenosha.org by Monday, June 22nd and include the following:

- ♦ The name of your high school or college graduate
- ♦ Their senior picture or other recent photo
- ♦ Name of school from which they are graduating
- ♦ Future plans:
 - ♦ For college graduates include the degree earned.
 - ♦ For high school students include their plans for next year—college or trade school they will be attending, entering the workforce, etc.

Companionship Workshop



Learn how to support the individuals in your community who live with mental illness, insecure housing, or chemical dependency and move from a transactional exchange to relational engagement, enabling substantive change with Companionship: A four-hour course that provides an effective approach to the practice of mental health ministry through which any caring human being can reach out and help another who is in distress.

Hosted By: Aurora Faith and Health Partnerships

Date: Thursday, May 28, 2026, from 9:30AM to 1:30 PM

Location: St. Mary's Lutheran Church; 2001 80th St. Kenosha
Free Lunch and Fellowship included.

Participants will learn:

- The five practices of Companionship
- Skills to listen consciously and with openness
- Skills to maintain an awareness of limits and boundaries
- Skills to ease the isolation these difficulties often bring

Who should take a Companionship course?

Any secular and faith-based communities who are engaged with and support those who are disadvantaged using the practice of Companionship, through ministries of hospitality and outreach.

To register for this FREE workshop: Contact Nurse Sue at:
fcn@stmaryslutheran.org



Companionship is managed,
operated, and disseminated by:
Pathways to Promise & The Mental
Health Chaplaincy

For more information on
Companionship, visit
thecompanionshipmovement.org



Coming soon: **SELF-CARE: Caring for the Whole You**, sponsored by the Grapevine Project

Date: Monday, June 22, 2026

Time: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Place: Lord of Life Lutheran Church; 5601 Washington Road Kenosha, WI 53144

Facilitator: Nurse Sue

Register by calling 262-656-1995 or email at office@lordoflifekenosha.org

Free class with workbook and an extra incentive for attending

Self-care is a necessary and unselfish tool for maintaining good health and well-being. This session will educate individuals on the steps they can take for balanced physical, mental, and spiritual health needs amidst everyday responsibilities. Join us to:

- + **Understand what self-care is** and how it connects to overall wellness.
- + **Practice awareness** to recognize your personal strengths and challenges when it comes to self-care.
- + **Learn new strategies** that are simple to use regularly and help you feel more confident in caring for yourself.





Church buildings tell stories. Over the years, our church has been a place of worship, celebration, comfort, and community — and like any well-loved home, it occasionally needs a little TLC. From small repairs and painting projects to general maintenance and upkeep, there are a number of ways we can care for the space God has entrusted to us.

We'd like to re-form a strong Property Team and we know our congregation is blessed with many talented and skilled individuals. We're inviting anyone willing to lend a hand to consider joining that team to help with upcoming projects around the church. Whether you have experience in carpentry, painting, electrical work, landscaping, organizing, or simply a heart to serve, your time and talents would be greatly appreciated. If you'd be interested in serving on this team, please contact

Angie Wollschlager, our Church Administrator. Call the church office at 262-656-1995, send an email to office@lordoflifekenosha.org, or see her on Sunday morning, often found behind the sound board.

Working together not only helps care for our building, but also strengthens the fellowship we share as a church family. Thank you for helping keep our church welcoming and well cared for generations to come.

APRIL 2026 FINANCIALS

ASSETS		
Funds on Hand		
Cash on Hand - General Fund		\$44,357.10
Savings Acct - Temp Reg Cash	\$56,452.15	
Savings Acct - Restricted	\$47,953.78	
Total Savings Acct		\$ 104,405.93
Restricted Accounts		
MEMORIAL FUND	\$ 8,482.37	
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY	\$ 1,354.31	
WOMEN'S TEA	\$ 1,098.75	
WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP	\$ 552.85	
YOUTH FUND	\$ 5,838.21	
KINGFISH GAME	\$ (40.00)	
HIGH FIVERS	\$ 169.01	
RESTRICTED GIVING 23-25	\$ 20,000.00	
RESTRICTED MAINT PROJECTS	\$ 5,145.90	
COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS	\$ 3,627.93	
FOOD OUTREACH	\$ 1,724.25	
Total Restricted Funds	\$ 47,953.58	
Scrip Account		\$5,943.67
Scrip Card Inventory		\$23,800.00
LIABILITIES		
Credit Card Balance	\$ 8,400.20	
Payroll Withholdings	\$ -	
Mortgage Balance	\$ 840,189.85	
Total Liabilities		\$ 848,590.05

April	
YTD Income - YTD Expenses	
YTD Income	\$ 164,579.71
YTD Expenses	\$ 144,937.85
YTD Revenue	\$ 19,641.86
MEMBERS GIVING YTD \$22,352.17 OVER BUDGET	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD \$13,054.21 OVER BUDGET (PAID \$13,436.14 ADDITIONAL MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL)
ELCA Benevolence Paid \$3,333.32	
For a more detailed financial report including line by line income and expenses please contact the Church Treasurer, Claudia Murillo, at treasurer@lordoflifekenosha.org . Thank you!	



Please don't forget to notify the church office of any changes to your contact information. This includes phone numbers, email address and home address.

Please contact the church office at office@lordoflifekenosha.org or (262) 656-1995 with any updates.

**May 5**

Casey & Tammy Corrao

May 6

Rick & Brenda Walentowski

May 17

George & Beth Files

May 21Mark Hauschel &
Karen Tenuta**May 24**Bill & Neva Hileman
Mikal & Jessica Sexton**June 1**

Steve & Tina Ketterhagen

June 3

Richard & Kim Kugler

June 6

Richard & Patricia Bushey

June 7Gary & Wilma Jenewein
Neil & Anna Kersten
John & Susan Meyer**June 8**

Gale & Nancy Haldeman

June 9Tim & Kristen Schiappacasse
Judy & Dave Schaefer**June 12**

Paul & Deb Gonsalves

June 18

Jeff & Deb Wamboldt

June 19

Warren & Jennifer Arnold

June 20

Dan & Jenn Sinnen

June 22

Tom & Lori Vogel

June 23

Jamie & Jonathan Lutz

June 25Jim & Libby Nelsen
Jake & Charlene Clark
Rick & Terri Goergen
Bill & Sandi Brust**June 26**

Thomas & Gladys Yuenkel

June 27Sara Jensen &
Joshua Mayerak**June 28**

Craig & Shannon Martin

**MAY**

- 1 Becky Brewer
- 2 Aaden Maedke
- 3 Natalie Gardina
- 5 Anna Kersten, Paul Gonsalves, Brooke MacKenzie
- 9 Jack Kersten
- 10 Leslie Sepanski, Alyssa Fowler, Joan Berger
- 11 Kristen Schiappacasse
- 12 Andrew Dorst
- 13 Adalina Barnhart, Dave Schroeder
- 14 Aiden Rademacher
- 16 Julie Chase
- 17 Brianna Daugherty
- 18 Emma Swihart, Jacob Kleutsch, Mati Degefa
- 19 Richard Kugler, Jodi Erickson
- 20 Connie Wittmus
- 22 Ann Anderson, Sharon Hernandez
- 24 Sonja Wolfe, Fisher Hurlbut, Fred Bacher,
Thomas Yuenkel
- 27 Adrianna Terrell
- 29 Matteo Bilotta, Allyson Rademacher
- 30 Kelsey Konz

JUNE

- 2 Elliot Dishno
- 3 Kim Kugler
- 4 Steve Kolner, Shawn Guetschow
- 5 Julia Sexton
- 7 Janet Hermann, Sarah Young, Alice Lutz,
Jordan Jeserig
- 8 Daniel Kleutsch
- 9 Grant Quever
- 12 Bill Chase, Matthew Swihart
- 13 Alison Daugherty
- 14 Kathy Estep, Donna Ramer, Landon Sinnen
- 15 Don Estes, Judi Johnson, Angie Wollschlager,
Collin Klimisch
- 18 Sara Jensen, Dave Schaefer
- 20 Megan Fowler, Jay Vogel, Naomi Dishno
- 21 Dan Lein
- 23 Molly Swihart
- 24 Patricia Bushey
- 25 Debbie Wamboldt, Rhiannon Urso, Skyla Hurlbut
- 26 Casey Corrao, Scott Johnson
- 27 Russell Schultz
- 28 Pam Leonard, Craig Martin
- 29 Carol Johnston, Hayden Schultz

MAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS

May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30
Usher/Greeter			
Steve & Patsy Kolner	Connie & Jurey Wittmus	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	OPEN
Lesson Reader			
Julie Chase	OPEN	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	OPEN
Communion Wine Servers			
OPEN	OPEN	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	Kathy Sadowski
Altar Care			
Julie Chase	Connie & Jurey Wittmus	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	OPEN
SCRIP sales			
OPEN	OPEN	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	Aaron Sens
A/V			
Audrey Maedke	Connie Wittmus	NO SATURDAY WORSHIP	Jonah Sens

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31
Usher/Greeter			
Kim Sly & Gary Kovacs	Russ & Becky Brewer	Kim Sly & Gary Kovacs	Steve & Tina Ketterhagen
Lesson Reader			
John Meyer	Tanya Brady	Chris Daugherty	Pam Leonard
Communion Wine (2)/Bread Servers			
Kathy Miller (wine) Tanya Brady (wine) John Meyer (bread)	Jean Garretto (wine) Steve Ketterhagen (wine) Tanya Brady (bread)	Kathy Miller (wine) Lori Vogel (wine) 1 Needed (bread)	Pam Leonard (wine) Steve Ketterhagen (wine) John Meyer (bread)
Altar Care			
Kathy Miller	Lynn Kancian	Kathy Miller	OPEN
Coffee Hour Host			
OPEN	Joy Buttke & Pat Westimayer	Vogel Family	Cake!
SCRIP sales			
Lori Vogel	Jean Garretto & Lisa Romano	Kim Sly	Pam Leonard
Communion Bread			
Kathy Miller	Lisa Romano	Kathy Miller	OPEN
A/V			
Chris Daugherty	Angie Wollschlager	OPEN	Angie Wollschlager



To sign up to volunteer, visit
<https://lordoflifekenosha.org/serve>

JUNE WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS	
June 6	June 20
Usher/Greeter	
OPEN	OPEN
Lesson Reader	
Chris Daugherty	OPEN
Communion Wine Servers	
Kathy Sadowski	OPEN
Altar Care	
OPEN	OPEN
SCRIP sales	
OPEN	OPEN
A/V	
OPEN	OPEN

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS			
June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Usher/Greeter			
OPEN	Russ & Becky Brewer	OPEN	OPEN
Lesson Reader			
Steve Ketterhagen	Becky Brewer	OPEN	OPEN
Communion Wine (2)/Bread Servers			
Kathy Miller (wine) 1 Needed (wine) 1 Needed (bread)	2 Needed (wine) Beth Files (bread)	Kathy Miller (wine) 1 Needed (wine) Steve Ketterhagen (bread)	1 Needed (wine) 1 Needed (wine) 1 Needed (bread)
Altar Care			
Kathy Miller	OPEN	Kathy Miller	OPEN
Coffee Hour Host			
OPEN	Beth Files	OPEN	OPEN
SCRIP sales			
OPEN	Jean Garretto & Lisa Romano	OPEN	OPEN
Communion Bread			
Kathy Miller	Beth Files	Kathy Miller	OPEN
A/V			
Angie Wollschlager	OPEN	Chris Daugherty	OPEN



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LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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1 11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach	2 5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
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3
9:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:15 a.m. Adult Education

4
6:00 p.m. Confirmation

5
9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club

6
12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia

7
9:00 a.m. Comfort 4a Cause Quilters
7:00 p.m. AA

8
11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center

9
8:00 a.m. Men's Bagels & Bibles
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship

11 Mother's Day
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
3:45 p.m. Community Meal @ Living Faith

11
6:00 p.m. Confirmation

12
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting (Zoom)

13
12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia

14
7:00 p.m. AA

15
11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center

16
9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Spring Cleanup
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship

17
9:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:15 a.m. Adult Education

18
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
7:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class

19
9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club

20
12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia

21
6:00 p.m. Trivia Night
7:00 p.m. AA

22
11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center

23
NO WORSHIP SERVICE

24
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

25 Memorial Day

26

27
12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia
6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal

28
9:00 a.m. Comfort 4a Cause Quilters
7:00 p.m. AA

29
11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach

30
10:00 a.m. Bike Blessing
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship

31
8:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal
9:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School



LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 9:30 a.m. —3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club	3 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	4 9:00 a.m. Comfort 4a Cause Quilters 7:00 p.m. AA	5 11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center	6 5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
7 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship	8	9 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting	10 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	11 7:00 p.m. AA	12 11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center	13
14 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 3:45 p.m. Community Meal @ Living Faith	15 7:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class	16 9:30 a.m. —3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club	17 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	18 7:00 p.m. AA	19 Juneteenth 11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center	20 8:00 a.m. Men's Bagels & Bibles 5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
21 Father's Day 9:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship	22	23	24 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia 6:00 p.m. BBQ & Bibles	25 9:00 a.m. Comfort 4a Cause Quilters 7:00 p.m. AA	26 11:15 a.m. Peanut Butter & Jesus @ Outreach Center	27 6:30 p.m. Kenosha Kingfish Outing
28 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship	29	30				

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH



In the months of May and June, we will be supporting 1HOPE's 2nd Annual *Laces & Lunchboxes* event. 1HOPE works to ensure that every foster family and foster child in our community has the love and support that they need to flourish through praying and advocating together.

We will be collecting **NEW** shoes and fun lunch boxes to help children in foster care head back to school feeling confident, seen, and ready to learn.

Grab a pair of cool kicks (kids and adult sizes needed) or a colorful lunch box and place it in the Ministry of the Month chest.

Every gift reminds these amazing kiddos and their foster families that they're supported by a community that truly cares. Let's give them a strong start to the next school year—because every step forward begins with love.



**SATURDAYS
5:00 P.M.**
Contemporary Worship

Worship
WITH US

**SUNDAYS
9:00 A.M.**
Traditional Worship



Led by love and inspired by grace to serve.



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