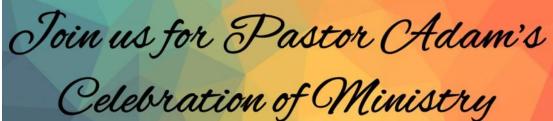
September 2019





Sunday, September 15th 9:30 a.m. Please note that there will be NO evening worship gathering on this date.

We'll gather in Fellowship Hall for a potluck brunch immediately following worship.

Please RSVP by visiting www.lordoflifekenosha.org or calling the church office.

Upcoming Worship Schedule

Sundays, September 1st & September 8th 9:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Final two weekends of the summer schedule)

Sunday, September 15th 9:30 a.m. Pastor Adam's Ministry Celebration & Farewell followed by potluck brunch (Please RSVP) **NO EVENING WORSHIP GATHERING**

The weekend of Saturday, Sept. 21st & Sunday, Sept. 22nd we will return to our fall schedule: 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship on Saturday evenings 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship on Sunday mornings

SERVING YOU AT LORD OF LIFE

Rev. Adam Moreno - Pastor

Angie Wollschlager - Church Administrator **Connie Wittmus** - Administrative Assistant **Sue Quever** - Parish Nurse Jodi Iorio - Connections Ministry Leader **Claudia Murillo** - Bookkeeper Kerry Bieneman - Music Director **Bill Smith** - *J&C Band Director* Lvnn Kancian - Nurserv Coordinator Pat Skinner - Financial Secretary

Church Council

Jackie McCarthy - President Joe Nosalik - Vice President John Meyer - Secretary **Brian Lynch** - Treasurer Kathi Strott Sonja Wolfe Liz Young

- Members at large

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Closed on Friday

Our Website www.lordoflifekenosha.org

LifeLines deadline The 15th of every month

Our mission is to transform lives through grace by being an affirming, serving, and caring community, empowered by the Holy Spirit to grow in faith.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?







Beginning in October, we will be opening our Fellowship Hall to Our Harmony Club, a nonprofit organization that provides a social day program for elderly members of our community who suffer from age-related challenges ranging from social isolation to Alzheimer's & Parkinson's Disease. They provide affordable respite care for caregivers while their loved ones spend a day playing games, doing crafts, singing & so much more. They will begin meeting here twice a month, on Tuesdays, with the hope of being popular enough to make it weekly.

In order for this to be possible, your help is needed!

Volunteers & guests spend the day together in conversation, enjoying games and activities, and sharing companionship. Not only is this experience rewarding for the volunteers, it provides an invaluable service to the guests and their families. There are many ways that you can get involved:

- Being paired with a guest & assisting them throughout the day
- 9:15a.m. 3:30 p.m. = all day or 10:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m. = short day
- Cooking lunch
- Providing an hour of entertainment
- Leading light exercises, games, or crafts
- Volunteers are NOT expected to provide personal care (ex. toileting, feeding).

A staff member from Our Harmony Club is present at all times and training will be provided. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office at (262) 656-1995 or office@lordoflifekenosha.org.



OTHER NEWS

fix the furnace fundraiser

As you may remember, our furnace in the sanctuary went out in January. We had to cancel evening worship and move worship to Fellowship Hall that Sunday morning. A temporary fix was done to get us through the rest of the winter, but a permanent, and costly, repair is needed before the upcoming winter.

Our goal is to raise \$1,500 through fundraising and Scrip will match that amount to cover the cost of the repair. Look for the display on the large windows in the lobby to take a donation envelope and return it in the box near the display.

If you can't make a direct monetary donation, be sure to buy gift cards through our Scrip program for your shopping, gasoline, & dining out needs to support this important effort! You already spend money on these things, so by planning ahead and purchasing gift cards before you shop, you can support Lord of Life at no extra cost you to. You can even use a credit or debit card with our payment kiosk near the Scrip table*. If you're unable to purchase Scrip on the weekends, feel free to stop by church during office hours to make your purchase. To learn more about our Scrip program visit www.lordoflifekneosha.org/ scrip

We're also in need of additional volunteers to support this ministry and sell cards on the weekend. It's not difficult and training is provided. It's also a good way to meet your fellow congregation members. If you're interested in joining the Scrip team, contact the church office.

*A 3% fee is added to credit card transactions to cover the processing fees that we incur.

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ASSETS							
Funds on Hand		2					
Cash on Hand - General Fund			(\$12,2	276.46)	July		
Restricted Accounts					YTD Income -	YTD Expenses -	
Youth Account				67.24	YTD Income	\$221,970.24	
Memorial Account Total (ALL RES	STRICT		\$12,2	270.18			
MEMORIAL FUND	\$	9,050.54			YTD Expenses	\$258,523.00	
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY	\$	1,418.51			YTD Revenue	-\$36,552.76	
HIGH FIVERS	\$	147.00			MEMBERS GIVING YTD	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD	
WOMEN'S TEA	\$	969.88			\$26,033.75 UNDER BUDGET	\$9,982.58 UNDER BUDGET	
55 AND OVER	\$	120.00			ELCA Benevolence Paid \$9,450.63		
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	\$	-			ELCA Benevoien	ce Faid \$9,450.65	
WOMEN'S RETREAT	\$	367.13			For a more detailed financial repo	rt including line by line income and	
KINGFISH GAME	\$	(659.00)			expenses please contact the Church Treasurer, Claudia Murillo		
COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS	\$	1,060.60			treasurer@lordoflifeke	nosha.org. Thank you!	
Scrip Account			\$5,1	00.10			
Scrip Card Inventory			\$15,9	927.56			
LIABILITIES							
Credit Card Balance			-	291.65			
Payroll Withholdings			\$ 3	869.18			
Line of Credit Balance			\$	-			
Mortgage Balance			\$1,213,5				
Total Liabilities		9	\$ 1,214,2	238.60			

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COUNCIL'S CORNER

Dear family,

In addition to being on our LoL congregational council, I also serve on the council for ECLA Churchwide, which serves as the Board of Directors for the ELCA. In this capacity, I attended the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly, hosted by the Greater Milwaukee Synod, August 5 -10. You can find more information at https://www.elca.org/churchwideassembly but I wanted to share some of what I experienced with you.



Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton, was re-elected on the first ballot, and Deacon Sue Rothmeyer was elected as ELCA secretary. This is only fitting with the 50*40*10 anniversaries- 50 years for the first woman, 40 years for the first woman of color, and 10 years for people without boundaries being ordained in word and sacrament. We celebrated the completion of the Always Being Made New campaign that was approved for \$198 million and ended up raising almost \$250 million.



An AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities) prayer walk preceded the vote and adoption for this church body to become a sanctuary church. Other adopted resolutions were: "Thursdays in Black," working towards a world without rape and violence; the social statement, 'Faith, Sexism and Justice: A call to action."; adoption of "A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment" and "Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity in the ELCA", and a resolution to commemorate June 17th as a day of repentance in

the ELCA for the martyrdom of the Emanuel 9—the nine people who were shot and killed June 17, 2015, during a Bible study at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, S.C.

We heard powerful words from the first woman Bishop, our ecumenical partners, military clergy, relatives of victims of gun violence, and many more. There were so many groundbreaking steps throughout the assembly, but I couldn't predict my own reaction when standing on the stage during the presentation of the "Declaration of the

ELCA to People of African Descent." What I felt is indescribable but I offer these words: Anything is possible through Jesus.

There were over 1000 people involved daily, which included over 900 voting members from every Synod of the ELCA, office support personnel, resource personnel, invited guests and volunteers. All of these people; Christians and more, working towards common goals, which is in its most basic words, "World Peace." I could go on and on but I leave you with this, come talk to me. I am happy to expand on the work of the churchwide council and the ELCA.



I do dream of a world without violence, famine and disease. Love, faith, healing, forgiveness, social and moral justice are just a few of the byproducts. WE ARE CHURCH!

Your sibling in Christ,

Sonja Wolfe Church Council Member at large



5 SUNDAY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



The 2019-2020 Sunday School year will begin on September 22, 2019!

It is not too late to register your child for Sunday School. Sunday School registration will be done electronically this year. You can access the registration form link from the church website: Visit www.lordoflifekenosha.org, click on "Faith Development", then "Sunday School" and you'll find the link to the online registration. Please submit your registration forms early.

The mission Sunday School is supporting this year is our church's Ministry of the Month collections. All of our offering money collected this school year will be used to by Scrip cards to donate to the ministry of the month. Please don't forget to bring your offering each week.

Important Schedule Information:

September 1st - Labor Day Weekend - No Class
September 8th - Sunday School Staff meeting before church at 8:15-9:15 a.m., downstairs.

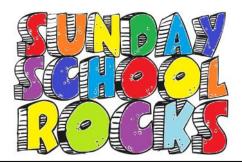
God's Work our Hands Volunteer Day after 9:30 a.m. service.

September 15th - No Class - One church service at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Adam's farewell Sunday.
September 22rd - Sunday School Begins - Class at 9:15 a.m. Families are invited to join their kids in the sanctuary for some cross+generational fun before the kids break off into their classes.
September 29th - Class at 9:15 a.m. Meet in the sanctuary.

The ministry of the month for September is collecting donated items for College Care Packages. The Sunday School children will be putting the care packages together for our college student friends in October. Please put all donations for the month of September in the ministry chest located in the lobby by the elevator.

Thank you for all of your support!

Any questions or concerns can be directed to a Sunday School Coordinator or your child's teacher. Sunday School Coordinators are Tanya Brady 847-989-7056 and Lisa McCarthy 262-914-4405, or e-mail sundayschool@lordoflifekenosha.org



YOUTH NEWS

Youth Ministry Needs You

While news of Pastor Adam's resignation has been met with overwhelming care and support, there has been some anxiety expressed about our Youth Ministry. Concern is understandable, as Pastor Adam did much of the planning and leadership of the ministry this past year. However, as preached a couple of weeks ago, this house of faith is not built on the foundation of pastoral leadership...in the same breath, our Youth Ministry is not built on his efforts or talents alone. WE CAN DO THIS! And if we're being honest, we NEED to do this if Lord of Life wants to live out our identity as a family-focused congregation.

It will take more time and energy on all of our part, since the church, at this time, cannot offer a paid staff member to plan and lead the opportunities. But we have wonderful parents, several older youth who can help lead by example, a couple of amazing young adults who have been involved, and a congregation full of people who (at least with words) claim that our Youth Ministry is an essential cornerstone of our identity. So...we need people to step up and become involved with this ministry, if it is going to continue to move forward and offer meaningful experiences to our middle school and high school youth.

Please contact the office or look for the participation link in our weekly email to add your name and contact information to our list of folks interested and willing to be part of our Youth Ministry this coming year.

Thank you to Dave & Kris Klimisch for hosting our annual Back-to-School Kickoff. Here are some pics of the fun. If you have a youth interested in participating in our Youth Ministry, contact the church office to make sure you're on our Youth email list.



FROM THE PARISH NURSE

Dear Friends,

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I often have parishioners asking for tips in how to lose weight...cutting back on how many calories you eat is a start. Increasing your weight loss efforts by burning more calories every day can really help. Any kind of physical activity uses energy. The more work the activity takes, the more calories you burn... even fidgeting burns calories. Here are a few suggestions below.



1. Stand up. The muscles in your back and legs do extra work when you stand. To burn even more calories, pace back and forth while you talk on the phone. If you have a desk job, see if you can get a standing desk, or rig one up, and spend part of the day standing while you work.

2. Take regular breaks. People who often take breaks from sitting by stretching burn more calories than people who sit in one place for hours on end.

3. Walk more. Walk to the bathroom on the other end of the building. Park at the far end of the parking lot. Get off the bus or subway several stops ahead and walk the rest of the way. Always be on the lookout for ways you can add more walking to your life.

4. Stand on one foot. While standing, lift one foot an inch (2.5 centimeters) off the ground, see how long you can hold that position, then change feet. You will work your leg muscles, core muscles, and improve your balance.

5. Put your shoes on standing up. This is another great exercise for balance. See if you can put on your sock, shoe, and tie your shoe without letting your foot touch the ground.

6. Be in a hurry. Walking fast burns more calories than a slow stroll. Make a game out of seeing how quickly you can get to your destination.

7. Take the stairs. If you have to get to the 11th floor, walk up as many flights as you can, then take the elevator the rest of the way. Stair climbing is one of the easiest activities you can do to burn calories without going to a gym.

8. Plan active parties. If you have guests over for a BBQ or dinner party, start the evening with a game of volleyball, badminton, or an active video game. Make social events active by meeting to go bowling, throw darts, or play pool.

9. Wear a tracking device. Wearable activity monitors can tell you how active you have been on a given day. You might set a daily goal for yourself (like 10,000 steps) or get a friend to join you in a friendly competition.

10. Add music. Listening to music while you walk can make the activity more fun and take your mind off what you are doing. Pick an upbeat tune, and you may find you up the intensity without realizing it.

11. Watch less TV. Television remains one of the biggest draws for sitting marathons. If you are hooked on a certain show, tune in and then hit the off button as soon as your show ends. You could also try standing up while you watch or doing pushups, crunches, or squats every time a commercial comes on. Only allowing yourself to watch your favorite show at the gym can help motivate you to get in your workouts.

12. Do your shopping in person. When you physically go to a store to shop, you walk to the building, take the stairs, walk the aisles, reach for things, and lift and carry bags. Compare that to the tiny movements involved in online shopping.

13. Do it yourself. Cooking from scratch, cutting the grass with a push mower, and shoveling the walk all make you move and burn calories.

Always talk to your health care provider before starting a new exercise program especially if you are not already exercising regularly.

Shalom,

Sue Quever RN, Faith Community Nurse Advocate Aurora Faith Community Program

8 THE CONNECTIONS CENTER

God's Grace

Grace is one of the richest theological themes in the Bible, but it is far more than just a nice theoretical concept. The grace of God is a vital, practical, and transforming gift that is available to every beloved child of God for every situation and circumstance in each moment of life.

What do we need God's grace for? Everything! From birth all the way to our glorification. We are utterly, absolutely, entirely, always dependent on God's grace. God's grace is His all-sufficient provision for every need we will ever have.

God's grace rushes to the scene of our weakness and need. Below are some specific ways that you may need God's grace at this very season of your life.

I need God's grace in my life to...

*Deal with a major disappointment

*Deal with the guilt & failure of my past

*Seek forgiveness from someone I have wronged

*Break off a wrong relationship

*Love a family member who is hard to love

*Be kind and patient with my kids

*Fulfill the ministry that God has entrusted to me

*Forgive someone who has hurt me deeply *Respond to a tough situation at work

- *Mend a broken relationship
- *Break a habit
- *Handle loneliness

*Accept a particular ministry opportunity *Honor my parents (or my In-laws)

God freely lavishes His grace upon us. If you recognize a place you need God's grace today, acknowledge your helplessness and your need by crying out to Him for His grace! God honors our humble cry. Don't forget about your faith community. We are walking this journey with you. Let's pray together!



Ministry Needs:

- Lesson readers for our 5:30 p.m. evening service. The Bible verse is emailed to you ahead of time and a copy is printed and ready for you at the lectern.
- Coffee & treat volunteers are needed after all of our worship services—store bought treats are absolutely welcomed!
- Set up/clean up Communion (Altar Care) for our 5:30 p.m. evening service.
- Scrip sellers for evening and morning worship gatherings. This ministry is very important, as it generates revenue!
- AV volunteers are needed for our evening & 10:30 a.m. worship gatherings. It's not as difficult as it may appear!!

Contact the church office or see Jodi Iorio, our Connections Ministry Coordinator, for more information or to be connected with the appropriate Ministry Lead.

LOL FAMILY NEWS

September 1 Brian & Laura Lynch Randy & Debbie Gross

September 2 Donald & Ashlie Hurlbut

September 5 Dan & Michelle Santelli

September 8 Andrew & Jennifer Freitag

September 11 Tom & Jennifer Venable

September 12 Don & Arlene Hall Jerry & Deanna Springer



September 15

Steve & Nora Pierce

September 16

Fred & Judy Bacher

September 17 Ronald & Janice Daniels Tim & Heidi Konz

September 18 Jerry & Donna Plunkett

September 22 Doug & Lynn Kancian

September 24 John & Jodi Iorio Ryan & Renee Schnuck

September 26 Dave & Ashley Leicht

> September 29 Joe Nosalik & Jennifer Johnson





September Birthdays

- 1 William Paquin
- 2 Megan Pierce
- 3 Carla Van Berg
- 4 Marty Knight, Elijah Bogar
- 5 Susan Meyer, Jane Brydges, Vivian Taft, Willian Taft
- 6 Ed Brady, Brenda Murawski, Linda Longstreet
- 7 Lisa McCarthy, Matt Hanson
- 8 Amy Klaus, Sarah Remiker, Kim Emerson
- 9 Lora McNeely
- 10 William Sepanski
- 11 Felma Degefa, Bob Gray
- 12 Nathan Brewer, Lynn Lundskow, Jack Sepanski, Eric Relyea, Ericka Anderson
- 13 Ryan McNeely
- 14 Perry Claeys, Jamie Lutz
- 15 Ron Daniels, David Stogsdill, Noah Fisher
- 16 Drew Rasmussen, Paxton Holst, Renae Addison, Janet Meyer, Mitchell Tungate
- 17 Shelby Jantz, Jan Lake
- 18 Jodi Iorio, Patsy Kolner, Asher Frese
- 19 Rich Walasek, Thomas Erickson
- 20 Rory Dutton
- 21 Nathan Klimisch, Sandy Speirs, Tricia Winden, Nick Capelli
- 22 Kenny Wegmuller
- 23 Deb Blonski, Melanie Gentry, Timothy Owens, Ian Ashton
- 24 Michelle Girard,
- 25 Elke Gramza, Nora Pierce, Rob Wikstrom, Hannah Schiappacasse
- 26 Linda Hoeke, Nancy Slye
- 28 Keyaira Hofmann
- **29** Amy Wikstrom
- 30 Lucas Klaus



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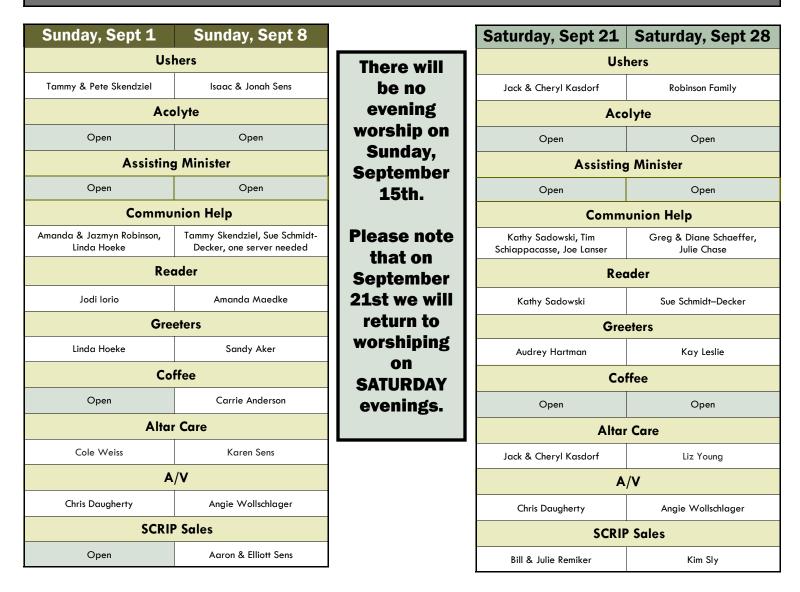
MORNING WORSHIP							
TIME	September 1	September 8	September 15				
Ushers							
9:30 a.m.	Brewer Family	Cliff & Norma Lundstrom	Robin & Annabelle Berry, John & Roberta Bloner				
Acolyte							
9:30 a.m.	Open	Open	Blake Berry				
	Assisting Minister						
9:30 a.m.	Lori Vogel	Michelle Eisenhauer	John Meyer				
Communion Help							
9:30 a.m.	Kathy Miller, Anne Fuller, John Meyer, Tanya Bihun, Jodi Iorio	Robin & Annabelle Berry, Pam Leonard, Christopher Andres	DeEtta Iverson, Pam Leonard, Cliff & Norma Lundstrom, Jean Walrath				
	Reader						
9:30 a.m.	Becky Brewer	Kristi Schaeffer-Kleutsch	Joyce Behlke				
		Greeters					
9:30 a.m.	Tanya Bihun	Pam Leonard	Jean Walrath				
		Coffee					
9:30 a.m.	Sara Jensen	God's Work Our Hands	Brunch for Pastor Adam				
	Bree	ad (for both worship ga	therings)				
	Adrianna Terrell	Charlene Clark	Lori Capelli				
		Tellers					
	Jim & Marcia Shaffer (Tues due to holiday)	Dave Klimisch & Jan Halvorsen (Sun evening)	Mark Sinnen & Dave Klimisch (Sunday morning)				
Altar Care							
9:30 a.m.	Kathy Miller	Lynch Family	Kersten Family				
	A/V						
9:30 a.m.	Steve Hupcher	Ralph McCarthy	Jeff/Angie Wollschlager				
Nursery							
9:30 a.m.	TBD	TBD	TBD				
SCRIP Sales							
	Lisa Romano	Lisa Romano	Ashley Hanson & Doni Degefa				



TIME	September 22	September 29					
Ushers							
8:00 a.m.	Karen Knight & Mark Sinnen	Ed & Tanya Brady					
10:30 a.m.	Joyce Behlke & Doug Kancian	Steffen Family					
Acolyte							
8:00 a.m.							
10:30 a.m.	Savannah Srott						
Assisting Minister							
8:00 a.m.	Marty Knight	Lori Vogel					
10:30 a.m.	Rhiannon Urso						
	Communion	Help					
8:00 a.m.	Kim Sly, Gary Kovacs, Alison Hoffman, Cathy & Kayla Rutkowski	Ralph & Lisa McCarthy, Mark Sinnen, Brittany Kugler, Carol Gumbinger					
10:30 a.m.	Moran Family, John Meyer	Pam Leonard, Weber Family, Rhiannon Urso					
Reader							
8:00 a.m.	Joel Kaufmann	Volunteer Needed					
10:30 a.m.	Janet Meyer	Deb Gonsalves					
	Greeters						
8:00 a.m.	Ed & Tanya Brady	Cliff & Norma Lundstrom					
10:30 a.m.	Shirley Hauck	Janet Meyer					
	Coffee						
8:00 a.m.	Linda Stanford	Cathy Rutkowski					
10:30 a.m.	Marlene Nejedly & Charlene Clark	Trish Steffen					
	Bread						
	Jean Garretto	Patti Molitor					
	Tellers						
	Mark Sinnen & Tom Pomatto (Sunday morning)	Jim & Marcia Shaffer (Mon)					
Altar Care							
8:00 a.m.	Kathy Miller	Kim Sly					
10:30 a.m.	John & Kathi Strott	Urso Family					
A/V							
8:00 a.m.	Brian Wilke	Ralph McCarthy					
10:30 a.m.	Jackie McCarthy	Jackie McCarthy					
Nursery							
8:00 a.m.	TBD	TBD					
10:30 a.m.	TBD	TBD					
SCRIP Sales							
	Jean Garretto	Lori & Alyssa Vogel					

VOLUNTEERS

EVENING WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS, 5:30 P.M.





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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NURSERY OFFICE HELP PRAYING PARTNERS PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY PROPERTY READERS SPECIAL MUSIC SOUP KITCHEN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Within our congregation there are many ministries to serve God and others. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact the church office for the contact information of the leaders listed below.

> TELLERS USHERS YOUTH MINISTRY

Ministry Lead Needed Lynn Kancian Angie Wollschlager Cheryl Kasdorf Arlene Hall Church Office Michelle Eisenhauer Kerry Bieneman Kathy Miller Tanya Brady Lisa McCarthy Dave Klimisch Ministry Lead Needed Pastor Adam

Hard Goodbye, Yet Connected In Love Pastor Adam

Goodbyes can be hard...it is the simple, but difficult truth about loving, yet needing to leave. I suppose the only way to avoid such hard goodbyes is by never loving or never leaving. From my first day as a first-call pastor here at Lord of Life, neither was truly an option. The reality is that the average length of service for a first-call pastor is only 3-5 years. While I am leaving sooner than initially expected, I was never going to be Lord of Life's next 20-year pastor. Yet, now as my time here comes to an end, I am thankful for all I have learned. I have grown in my pastoral leadership and identity and I feel confident that God will be with me as I take the next steps in my faith journey. The same holds true for this congregation. I pray that you have learned from our time together, have grown in your understanding of what it means to be church together, and confidently know that God has been, is, and will continue to be with you as you journey together in faith. I need to say goodbye and leave, so that I can seek a call that allows me to serve with the fullness of my passions and gifts. I need to say goodbye and leave, so that I can so that this family of faith can continue to move forward with pastoral leadership who is called to serve you where the Spirit is leading next.

Then there is loving...that was always going to happen, too. I can claim that I didn't know if I would love Lord of Life or pretend that I worried whether Lord of Life would love me...but the truth is, I knew love would be an essential part of our time together. It needed to be at the center of our relationship, because it is in love that God is revealed. I pray that each person in the congregation had an opportunity to experience God in and through my love for you, for the work I was doing, and for all of Lord of Life. And I hope everyone here knows the love I have felt in return, that I experienced God in and through the love this congregation has shown me. From the fun and fellowship of our worship and different ministries, to the trust and openness expressed in times of difficulty and loss this past year. From joining me in my high energy silliness, singing, and sermons, to the many heartfelt prayers offered in our time of struggle and transition. Lord of Life, you have revealed God to me in deep and meaningful ways.

As I say goodbye, I know that this won't be the last time I see many of you. No, this isn't a forever goodbye, but it is a goodbye to our current relationship; our way of walking with each other is going to be different. Things are going to change, things need to change. Lord of Life is preparing to embrace new pastoral leadership, and I am sure they will feel just as loved as I have. I need to embrace a new calling and know that I will experience God wherever the Spirit leads. While some things need to change as we say goodbye, know that our love for each other need not change. Love spans time and distance. We may go a long time without seeing one another in person, but the Spirit will keep us connected. As you pray on a Sunday morning, know that I will be praying, as well. As you gather around the table, know that I am being fed by the Lord's meal, too. As you share the peace, know that the divine peace of the Lord that is with you is also with me. And when our paths cross again, know that we will embrace once again, reminded of the loving relationship we share. We'll remember the beautiful memories of our time together and always know that in God, we are one. Nothing will separate us from that Love of God made known in Christ Jesus, revealed through the Holy Spirit, now and forever. God bless and goodbye, my dear, loving Lord of Life family.



LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30 a.m. Worship 3:15 p.m. J&C Band rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Worship	2 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	3	4 12:00 p.m. Prayer Group 12:30 p.m. Soul Food Bible Study	5 9:00 a.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. AA	6	7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast-Gateway Café Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride at Petrifying Springs Park ELCA Weekend of Serving God's work. Our hands
8 8:15 a.m. Sunday School Meeting 9:30 a.m. Worship 3:15 p.m. J&C Band rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Worship ELCA Weekend of Serving God's work.	9 6:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia 6:00 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting	10 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting	11 12:00 p.m. Prayer Group 12:30 p.m. Soul Food Bible Study	12 9:00 a.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. AA	13 6:00 p.m. Venturing Crew (Scouting group)	14 7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast-Gateway Café
15 9:30 a.m. Worship— Pastor Adam's Celebration of Ministry & Farewell NO EVENING WORSHIP GATHERING	16 6:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	17	18 12:00 p.m. Prayer Group 12:30 p.m. Soul Food Bible Study	19 9:00 a.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. AA	20	21 7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast-Gateway Café 4:00 p.m. Joy & Celebration band rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship
22 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Empower Hour 1st day of Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship	23 6:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	24	25 12:00 p.m. Prayer Group 12:30 p.m. Soul Food Bible Study	26 9:00 a.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. AA	27	28 7:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast-Gateway Café 4:00 p.m. Joy & Celebration band rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship
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Ministry of the Month **COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES**

In October our Sunday School Kids will be showing their love and support to our fellow members who are away at college by sending them care packages.



We need your help in collecting a few of these items to send off to them. During the month of September, please consider picking up any of the items below and placing them in the Ministry of the Month chest in the church lobby.

- \star Pre-packaged snacks (trail mix, crackers, pretzels, etc.)
- \star Gum/mints/candy
- \star Chap stick / hand sanifizer (small)
- \star Pens/pencils that are unique
- ★ Small notepads or Post-its
- \star Items with a Christian message
- 3 \$5 gift card to popular chains (Subway, Domino's, Starbucks, etc.)
- \Rightarrow Shoe box
- \star Money towards postage (it takes a lot!)

If you're the parent of a college student, please provide their mailing address to the church office at office@lordoflifekenosha.org by September 30th.



Transforming lives through Grace...



Sunday, Sept. 1st & 8th 9:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 15th 9:30 a.m. ONI Y

Saturdays, September 21st & 28th 5:30 p.m.

Sundays, September 22nd & 29th 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.





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