

September 2022

# LIFELINES

The monthly newsletter of Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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## Exciting Times at Lord of Life!

BY THE GRACE OF GOD AND THE CALL OF THE CHURCH

*Charles "Chip" Lutz*

will be ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament  
in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and  
installed as Pastor of Lord of Life Lutheran Church on

**Saturday, September 3, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.**

 Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
5601 Washington Road  
Kenosha, WI 53144  
Coke reception to follow



All rostered ministers are invited to vest and process.  
The color of the day is red.



## RALLY DAY & Church Picnic

Sunday, September 11th is Pastor Chip's first official Sunday with us! We will gather for worship at 9:00 a.m. **Parents**, please see the Sunday School page on page 6 for details on what your kids are invited to do.

After worship, we'll gather in fellowship hall and the lawn for a church picnic, including games and family fun. Families will also be able to officially complete registration for Sunday School. Hot dogs, drinks and tableware will be provided, but we do ask that you bring a dish to share.

**Please CLICK HERE or sign-up in the church lobby to let us know how many from your family plan to come and indicate the type of dish you will bring** (veggie, fruit, salad, dessert, etc.). We can't wait to see you!

### SERVING YOU AT LORD OF LIFE

- Rev. Kipp Zimmermann**  
- Bridge Pastor
- Angie Wollschlager**  
- Church Administrator
- Connie Wittmus**  
- Admin. Assistant
- Sue Quever**  
- Parish Nurse
- Claudia Murillo**  
- Bookkeeper
- Kerry Bieneman**  
- Music Director
- Lynn Kancian**  
- Nursery Coordinator
- Nancy Cerninara**  
- Custodian

### Church Council

- Tanya Brady**  
- President
- Russ Brewer**  
- Vice President
- Brian Lynch**  
- Treasurer
- Lori Vogel**  
- Secretary
- Julie Chase**  
**Lynn Kancian**  
**Rhiannon Urso**  
- 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.*

Sisters and Brothers at Lord of Life,

I'm amazed at how time flies. Having just celebrated 50 years married to my wife, seeing two daughters over the age of 40, grandchildren ranging from 5 to 21, and a great grandchild, it blows my mind at how things change and grow and develop. Young boys become men, two young kids with a baby become 70 and retire from jobs that they spent a life time developing. Then, we realize that some things stay the same. Love that we felt grows and changes as it comes to see that it has been constant throughout those years. We're always in transition, everything changes and grows, and often we mourn for a bit that something is gone, until we see what has grown in its place. When we are wise, we grow and change with it.

This has been a wonderful time that I've spent with you. I was impressed at how, in the midst of the amount of change that had been thrust upon you, you opened your arms and accepted me into the circle. That's why we did well in this transition period. I'm grateful for the time that we had together. I have received as much from you as I hope you have received from me. It was good time and well spent and God's Spirit moved among us and I believe we grew together. Your next joyous transition is to Pastor Chip. Open your arms to him and his wife, and let the Spirit move among you and see the growth and movement into the future.

God bless you all. I look forward to seeing your future bloom in Christ.

Pastor Kipp W. Zimmermann  
Bridge Pastor



**Sunday, September 4th is Pastor Kipp's  
final Sunday with us.**

**We give thanks to God for his leadership  
and preaching over the  
past seven months.**

**Join us for worship at 9:00 a.m.,  
followed by a time of fellowship  
and the opportunity to wish him well.**



Thinking through, practicing, strengthening, and owning one's faith is an important part of growing up. Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism preparation at Lord of Life is designed to help parents and sponsors fulfill the promises they made at the baptisms of their children.

Confirmation is a 2+ year program at Lord of Life. Students begin as 7th graders and participate in one unit of Bible instruction and one unit on the Small Catechism.

The third "year", when they are 9th graders, they are paired with an adult mentor, who will work with them on writing a faith statement. They are then confirmed on Reformation Day, which falls at the end of October.

Parents of 7th through 9th graders, please be sure to submit your child's registration information and indicate your availability for an informational meeting. The link can be found [HERE](#) or by visiting [www.lordoflifekenosha.org](http://www.lordoflifekenosha.org), click Faith Formation, then Confirmation.

Join us as we praise God for the indispensable work of the ELCA Outreach Center!

# Night of Worship

Benefitting the ELCA Outreach Center

<b>VENUE</b>	<b>SAVE THE DATE</b>
Pennoyer Park Bandshell Lakefront at Kennedy Drive Kenosha, Wisconsin	Sunday, September 25, 2022 1 to 6 p.m.

**LIVE MUSIC**

FLAT CREEK HIGHWAY from 1 to 3 p.m.  
Bluegrass Band

SPACE ECHOES from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m.  
Rockabilly

SPIRIT ALIVE! BAND  
Music filled worship from 5 to 6:30 p.m.  
with guest preacher Danielle Nixon  
(Assistant Director of the ELCA Outreach Center)

**FOOD**

Big Matt's BBQ Food Truck  
Pawlie's Ice Cream Food Truck

**FREE ENTRANCE**

This event is free, however, we will graciously welcome offerings to support the ministry of the Outreach Center. The goal is to surpass last year's total of \$5600!



## Healthy aging fair

**Join us in learning more about aging happily and healthfully.**

This event includes a wide variety of education and resources for adults and seniors, with a resource fair **and** featured presentation.

*Special highlights include,*

- Meet Aurora specialists
- Discover a variety of community resources and organizations
- Learn about health insurance options and navigating the marketplace
- Music as therapy with *Rhythm in the Round Drum Circles*
- FREE blood pressure screenings and raffle drawing

**Saturday, October 1st**  
**9 AM – Noon**

9 AM - 11 AM: Resource fair

11 AM: *Dry Needling & Physical Therapy* presentation and demo

**St. Mary's Lutheran Church**  
**2001 80th Street, Kenosha, WI**

To learn more and register to attend, visit:

<https://bit.ly/AuroraHealthyAging2022>

You may also call 800-323-8622 for assistance with registration.



## A sneak peek of the featured Drum Circle at the Healthy Aging Fair

Hand drumming in groups has been done the world over since early human history. It is offered for special ceremonies, for healing and just for fun. Creating rhythm songs with others helps us express ourselves individually while collaborating in a group. More often than not, along the way we feel a bond with people in the circle who may have been complete strangers' moments earlier.

Heather Poyner founded Rhythm in the Round Drum Circles, Kenosha in 2000, with the intention of offering interactive, hands-on percussion experiences for "children of all ages." In the past two decades she has provided drumming circles for preschoolers, scouts and elders in settings ranging from schools to camps to corporate board rooms, throughout Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas. Whatever the occasion or venue, Heather makes sure to pack a variety of age- and ability-appropriate instruments to facilitate in-the-moment musical masterpieces.

In these brief sessions Heather offers a window in the magic of co-creating rhythm songs using percussion instruments including hand-carved African djembes, modern tubano drums and a variety of hand-held rattles, shakers, and bells. We will learn a few basic rhythms and also make up songs of our own.

More about drumming events can be found at [www.rhythmintheround.com](http://www.rhythmintheround.com), <https://www.facebook.com/drumhutkenosha> or by email: [poynerheather@yahoo.com](mailto:poynerheather@yahoo.com).  
Come Drum with Us!

## 4 BUILDING A CULTURE OF GENEROSITY

### **Why Church?**

Have you ever pondered that question? What is church – and why do we “go to church”? Think about it - we get up early on Sunday mornings and get dressed up, or not, to go sit with others and listen to the pastor preach the Gospel; we take communion and then go on with the rest of our day.

But, what IS church? *“Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?”* - 1 Corinthians 3:16 We, the people inside, make up the church. What does it mean to be a part of a church?

Regardless of the faith tradition, being a part of Church means being part of something bigger. To be a member of a church **is** to belong to something that goes beyond one's self. Each of, individually and as a collective, are part of a body sent forth to impact the world for the better.

Here at Lord of Life, we struggled with that consistent identity for the past decade. In the past two years, Council and members of the congregation have worked to re-define our purpose and mission. We have spent a lot of time thinking on what it takes to be true to our core values and identity as a congregation. The time is now to start doing things to live into our values as God's hands. Lord of Life is here to serve the community with love because God has loved us.... and we are compelled to generously share His love with our neighbors. We are asked to be faithful, and to act on that faith. (Remember, Jesus asked us to take care of the least of us as well as to be faithful). We seek the best way to serve our neighbors as Jesus calls us to do.

Now that Lord of Life answered the question “Why Church?” let's go forth to BE Church and DO Church. Moving forward for Christ, we will be doing more with Sunday school and Youth Ministries. We have called a new pastor, and sure there will be even more ministry opportunities that arise.

Continued faithfulness and generosity of time, talents, and treasures are needed to make OUR mission possible. Together, we are capable of great things – because together we have the opportunity to make a positive impact on our neighbors for Christ.

The Stewardship team shares this reminder – there is still an opportunity to help out for anyone that has turned in a sharing intent yet for 2022. We have received 8 new intents for a total of \$6,235 toward the \$10,000 matching. If you would like to share your intention and help us reach the match, please contact the church office or [click here](#).

Together we can all make an impact for Christ by sharing the abundances that God has first shared with us.

In faithfulness,  
The Stewardship Team



*Building a Culture  
of Generosity*



## August 2, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

- Meeting opened with a devotional reading from the book, "Wanna Know A Truth?: A Simple Man's Search for the Truths in His Life" by Tony Garcia, about "hope being a light".
- Report summaries:
  - Angie, Church Administrator:
    - An income opportunity - "Harvest Hosts connects thousands of churches and other small businesses to our network of over 200,000 self-contained RVers. To become a Host location, simply offer a one-night stay in your church parking lot to RVers, and in return, our members are encouraged to make a donation back to the church." Angie will look more into details such as liability, municipal rules, etc.
    - Have received 2 of 3 quarters refund of the Employee Retention Credit, totaling \$28,243.30. Second quarter of 2021 is still outstanding, so \$11,330.05 is still anticipated.
    - Our commercial insurance company is raising our property deductible from \$1000 to \$5000 due to "total insured value". Our value hasn't changed, so this doesn't seem fair. Angie will take the opportunity to shop for policies from other companies before the renewal on November 1st.
  - Financial, Brian Lynch:
    - Brian shared that ERC refunds are coming at a good time. Still tracking behind on donations, but thankfully also still behind on expenses.
    - Benevolence to synod was mistakenly missed in July, so double donations will be sent in August.
    - Attendance at Meet & Greet weekend and seeing people who we haven't seen in quite a while makes us hopeful that things will improve.
  - Stewardship, Russ Brewer
    - Russ wrote an update for the August newsletter, have received \$6,235 in new intents towards the \$10K matching challenge. He identified some people that attended the meet & greet with Chip who we haven't seen in quite a while and plans to reach out to some of them.
  - Parish Nurse
    - Covid definitely still in the community, but the new variant is causing much less severe illness.
    - OK'd resuming coffee hour
- New business:
  - Finalized the agenda for Special Congregational meeting on August 7th to extend the call to Chip Lutz.
  - A simplified church picnic will be planned for Rally Day, September 11th. Hot dogs provided, pot luck and some simple games for kids.
  - Future council meetings will return to the second Tuesday of the month. Had been moved to the first Tuesday to accommodate Pastor Kipp's schedule.
  - Thrilled to have 3 people step up to co-lead Sunday School: Matt Ley, Ashlie Hurlbut, and Michelle Eisenhauer

## JULY 2022 FINANCIALS

ASSETS	
<u>Funds on Hand</u>	
Cash on Hand - General Fund	\$23,050.17
<u>Restricted Accounts</u>	
Youth Account	\$9,649.59
Memorial Account Total (ALL RESTRICTED)	\$8,966.24
MEMORIAL FUND	\$5,026.15
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY	\$1,168.51
HIGH FIVERS	\$ 147.00
WOMEN'S TEA	\$ 1,055.91
55 AND OVER	\$ 120.00
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	\$ -
WOMEN'S RETREAT	\$ 644.13
KINGFISH GAME	\$ (240.00)
COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS	\$ 990.43
Scrip Account	\$13,481.35
Scrip Card Inventory	\$14,043.89
LIABILITIES	
Credit Card Balance	\$ 35.76
Payroll Withholdings	\$ -
Mortgage Balance	1,128,050.92
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,128,086.68</u>

July	
YTD Income -	YTD Expenses -
YTD Income	\$153,194.04
YTD Expenses	\$161,503.82
YTD Revenue	-\$8,309.78
MEMBERS GIVING YTD \$9,054.52 UNDER BUDGET	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD \$31,689.60 UNDER BUDGET

ELCA Benevolence Paid \$3,499.98

For a more detailed financial report including line by line income and expenses please contact the Church Treasurer, Claudia Murillo at [treasurer@lordoflifekenosha.org](mailto:treasurer@lordoflifekenosha.org). Thank you!



# 6 SUNDAY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



## **Starting date: September 11<sup>th</sup> (Rally Day/Registration)**

On September 11<sup>th</sup>, after the reading of the Gospel, children will be dismissed by Pastor Chip to meet downstairs for a prayer, ice breaker, and Q & A session with our leadership team. Parents are welcome, but it is not mandatory. Our team will be available during registration after worship to answer any and all questions you may have. We are still in need of 2 volunteers to help "teach" and would love to talk to you about that opportunity if you are interested.

**Sunday School will meet bi-weekly, from September 18 through December 11th, then after a holiday break, will resume on January 15th.**

**The format will be as follows:**

### *Dismissal:*

- ◆ After the Gospel reading, all ages will retreat downstairs to room 2.

### *Opening Prayer:*

- ◆ Our teachers will lead a prayer on the carpet, geared toward the day's lessons.

### *Lesson:*

- ◆ Your children will move to the tables.
- ◆ There will be a "buddy" system where littles and bigs sit together in order create a better sense of community and make learning more accessible to our younger ages or those with disabilities.
- ◆ Your children will be learning a developmentally and age-appropriate lesson based on the same readings heard in worship. This should create a better discussion at home after worship.

### *Activity:*

- ◆ To continue our theme of community and unity, your children will be lead in a fun activity to close their morning.
- ◆ These activities may include music, a game, or a simplified craft/journal entry.
- ◆ Children will work in a large group led by their teachers, helping their buddy or enjoying their company.

### *Return to worship:*

- ◆ Our goal is for your child return to your family at the start of communion.
- ◆ We understand the importance of families congregating together for worship and at Gods table.
- ◆ We are encouraged by keeping this schedule short and sweet to help children grow in both knowledge and community. Our hopes are that having a shorter Sunday school session during worship will also encourage your family to join us.



Dear Friends,

As we move into fall, September has been designated the month to check our cholesterol levels. Holidays and rich food are around the corner, so it seems like good timing. High cholesterol is one of the major risk factors for heart disease, causing heart attack and stroke. Heart disease is the number one leading cause of death in the U.S.A.



Cholesterol is a fat-like substance in your blood. Your body, specifically your liver, makes all the cholesterol you need. The rest comes from what you eat, namely foods high in saturated and trans-fat, such as poultry, meat, full-fat dairy products, and tropical oils such as coconut oil, palm oil, and palm kernel oil. When you eat foods with saturated and trans fats your liver starts to make more cholesterol than it normally would. When there is too much cholesterol in the bloodstream, it starts to attach to the walls of your arteries and over time makes the arteries narrower. The narrow arteries cause the blood flow to the heart to slow down, and blockage can occur. A few other factors that can affect cholesterol levels are:

- Being overweight
- Inactivity
- Being older (Cholesterol levels rise as we age)
- Having relatives with high cholesterol
- Smoking

You can get your cholesterol checked by having your health care provider order a lipoprotein profile. This blood test will measure your:

1. Total cholesterol
2. Low Density Lipoprotein - LDL (bad cholesterol) is responsible for carrying cholesterol from the liver to the rest of the body. If LDL levels are high then too much cholesterol will be circulating and attaching to the artery walls creating a buildup of plaque,
3. Triglycerides a type of fat that stores unused calories and provides your body with energy. High levels of triglycerides can cause hardening of the arteries which leads to heart disease.
4. High-Density Lipoprotein -HDL (good cholesterol) helps rid the body of excess cholesterol so it's less likely to end up in your arteries.

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute recommends the first cholesterol screening occur between the age of 9 and 11, then repeat every five years after that. If your tests are not within a desirable range, your doctor might recommend more frequent testing annually.



Lifestyle changes such as exercising, and eating a healthy diet are the first line of defense against high cholesterol. But, if you have made those changes and your cholesterol remains high, your doctor might recommend medication. Common medicine choices that lower cholesterol levels are statins, cholesterol absorption inhibitors, bempedoic acid, bile-acid-binding resins and PCSK9 inhibitors. People tolerate medications differently so any possible side effects from the medicines will be monitored.

Take care of your health! I am praying for you!

Shalom,  
Sue Quever, R.N., F.N.C.  
Advocate Aurora Faith and Health Program



**September 1**  
Brian & Laura Lynch

**September 2**  
Donald & Ashlie Hurlbut

**September 5**  
Dan & Michelle Santelli

**September 8**  
Andrew & Jennifer  
Freitag

**September 15**  
Steve & Nora Pierce

**September 16**  
Fred & Judy Bacher

**September 17**  
Ronald & Janice Daniels  
Tim & Heidi Konz

**September 24**  
John & Jodi Iorio

**September 26**  
Dave & Ashley Leicht

**September 29**  
Joe Nosalik &  
Jennifer Johnson



- 1 William Paquin
- 2 Megan Pierce
- 5 Susan Meyer, Jane Brydges, Vivian Taft, Willian Taft
- 6 Ed Brady, Brenda Murawski, Linda Longstreet
- 7 Lisa McCarthy  
Peter Alm
- 8 Amy Klaus, Sarah Remiker,
- 9 Lora McNeely
- 10 William Sepanski
- 11 Felma Degefa, Bob Gray
- 12 Nathan Brewer, Jack Sepanski,
- 13 Ryan McNeely
- 14 Perry Claeys, Jamie Lutz
- 15 Ron Daniels, Noah Fisher
- 16 Drew Rasmussen, Paxton Holst, Renae Addison, Janet Meyer, Mitchell Tungate
- 17 Shelby Jantz
- 18 Jodi Iorio, Patsy Kolner, Asher Frese
- 19 Thomas Erickson
- 20 Rory Dutton, Jude Guttormsen, Hans Guttormsen
- 21 Nathan Klimisch, Sandy Speirs, Tricia Winden, Nick Capelli
- 23 Melanie Gentry, Ian Ashton
- 24 Michelle Girard,
- 25 Elke Gramza, Nora Pierce, Rob Wikstrom, Hannah Schiappacasse
- 26 Linda Hoeke
- 28 Keyaira Hofmann
- 29 Amy Wikstrom
- 30 Lucas Klaus

## VOLUNTEERS

Sept 4	Sept 11	Sept 18	Sept 25
<b>Lesson Reader</b>			
Pam Leonard	Chris Daugherty	Becky Brewer	John Meyer
<b>Usher/Greeter</b>			
<b>Ushers</b> – Cliff & Norma Lundstrom <b>Greeter</b> -Wilma Jenewein	Kim Sly & Gary Kovacs	Russ & Becky Brewer	Joe Harmsen
<b>Communion Assistant</b>			
Kim Sly Gary Kovacs	Kathy Miller Chris Daugherty	Pam Leonard <b>1 server needed</b>	Kathy Miller John Meyer
<b>Altar Care</b>			
Kim Sly Gary Kovacs	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
<b>Communion Bread</b>			
Jan Niederloh	Not Needed	Volunteer needed	Not Needed

**To sign up, please visit**  
[www.lordoflifekenosha.org/serve](http://www.lordoflifekenosha.org/serve)





# LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> 7:00 p.m. AA	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 1:00 p.m. Service of Ordination & Installation of Pastor Chip Lutz
<b>4</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship — Farwell to Pastor Kipp	<b>5</b>  Labor Day Office Closed	<b>6</b> 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club	<b>7</b> 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	<b>8</b> 7:00 p.m. AA	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship—Pastor Chip Lutz' 1st Sunday  <b>Rally Day &amp; Church Picnic</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7:00 p.m. Council meeting	<b>14</b> 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	<b>15</b> 7:00 p.m. AA 	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 Sunday School	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Our Harmony Club	<b>21</b> 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	<b>22</b> 7:00 p.m. AA	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 Sunday School	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	<b>29</b> 7:00 p.m. AA	<b>30</b>	

# MINISTRY OF THE SEASON

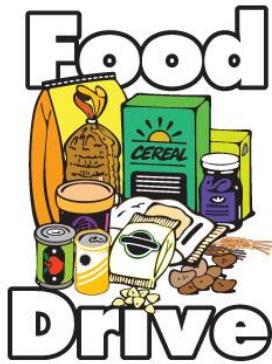
Due to rising costs, food insecurity is at an all-time high all over the country. Therefore, during the months of August and September we will collect non-perishable food items that will be divided between two community resources that provide food assistance: Grace Welcome Center and the Shalom Center.

Suggested items to donate are:

Tuna or chicken (cans/pouches)  
Applesauce cups  
Canned fruits in own juice  
Canned vegetables  
Canned soup, stew, or chili  
Rice/Pasta Dishes

Mac & Cheese  
Peanut butter  
Jelly  
Pasta sauce  
Dried plain pasta & rice  
Dry cereal/oatmeal

Donations can be placed in the ministry of the season chest located on the left side of the altar. Monetary donations, or grocery gift cards purchased through our Scrip program are also welcomed and we will shop for you.



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