

December 28, 2025- Volume 5 - Edition 52

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, December 28

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Saturday, January 3, 2026

9:00 AM – Women's Breakfast

Sunday, January 4, 2026

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour
11:15 AM – Choir Rehearsal
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

10:00 AM – Worship and Music Committee Meeting

Saturday, January 10, 2026

9:00 AM – Men Meet at Volcano Coffee

***Always the goal, but may be impacted by technology issues beyond our control**



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Full Lectionary for December 28, 2025;

1 st Reading	Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalm	Psalm 148
2 nd Reading	Hebrews 2:10-18
Gospel	Matthew 2:13-23

Full Lectionary for January 4, 2026;

1 st Reading	Jeremiah 31:7-14
Psalm	Psalm 147:12-20
2 nd Reading	Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel	John 1:1-18

First Sunday in Christmas

Parament Color Is **White**

Second Sunday in Christmas

Parament Color Is **White**

LOOKING AHEAD

December 28, Sunday, 9:30 am

Worship Service - No Sunday School

**If you purchased a poinsettia,
don't forget to take it home after worship**

January 1, Thursday

New Year's Day!

January 3, Saturday, 9:00 am

Women's Ministry Breakfast

January 4, Sunday, 9:30 am

Worship Service - No Sunday School

January 6, Tuesday, 10:00 am

Worship & Music Meeting

January 10, Saturday, 9:00 am

Men meet at Volcano's Coffee Shop

HOLIDAY CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

(subject to change)

December 29 (Monday)

Pastor Eric in office

December 30 (Tuesday)

Pastor Eric in office

Dan in office

December 31 (Wednesday)

Pastor Eric in office

Dan in office

January 1 (Thursday)

***** Office Closed *****

January 2 (Friday)

Pastor Eric in office

2025 CONTRIBUTIONS

If you wish to have your year-end contributions be counted in 2025, please note that you must have the contribution to the church office by December 31st to count as a 2025 contribution. Note: The church office will be closed on **December 26th**. If you cannot make it to the church office, you can still make the contribution online on the church's website, <https://LivingWordLutheranChurch.org>

For those of you who are 70^{1/2} or older, you may consider making a Qualified Charitable Deduction (QCD) from your IRA this year. By making the contribution from your Traditional IRA, you are allowed to deduct up to \$108,000 of the QCD from the front of your Form 1040 in arriving at your AGI. This could be even more beneficial if you are in a Required Minimum Distribution because this also counts toward your Required Minimum Distribution. Please consult with your own personal tax advisor to determine if you qualify for this type of contribution and to see how this could be a tax benefit to you.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

Start the new year with the Women's Ministry Breakfast on Saturday, January 3rd at 9:00 am. Our guest speaker will be Sarah Debord, sharing information about the Heritage Girls Organization. Please sign up on the table in the narthex if you can attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

PRAYER ROOM

"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise."
James 3:18 (ESV)

*Watch over those who put themselves in harm's way to protect us and
grant peace of mind to the families who love and miss them. We praise you for continuing to protect:*

Andrew Thompson (Griswold)
Josh Jepsen, USAF Utah

Elijah Lundberg, USMC Yuma, AZ
Owen Daubenspeck, USAF Spokane (Owen)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost loved ones recently:

Holli and Grace Reichl in the passing of her father/grandfather
Sarah DeBord and family in the passing of her aunt

*Relieve pain for all who suffer in any way and restore them to good health
of body, mind, and spirit. Encourage them and strengthen their caregivers:*

Maurice Hedlund	Darlene Luberts	
Jeff Brennan	Carolyn Martin	Terry (and caregiver Ron)
Bill Marsh	Yvonne Olson	Cheryl Hedlund's aunt, Sue
Debbi Zavadil	Wallace Duggan	David Martin (son of Bob and Nancy Martin)
Duane Claiborne	Lori Schmidt	Sue Doll (sister-in-law of Duane & Valerie)
Kitty Jepsen	Lena Duggan	Johnny Beck (son of Sharlene Parker and brother of Toni Sherman)
Carol Brennan	Amy Cruver	Tina (daughter of Judy Williams) Julie Mendoza (Heidi Sturdivant)

*Grant discernment, wisdom, and courage to leaders within the church and world. Raise servants to accomplish
Your will. May Your will be evident in all decisions and actions.*

Living Word Members
Victims of War in Ukraine and Israel/Middle East

Living Word Leaders

Persecuted Christians
Elected Government Officials

Prayer and praise for healing and continued recovery:

Bonnie Socey
Sharon Johnson

Cheryl Hedlund
Steve Vonderau

Jan Williams (sister in law of Judy Williams)

*Thank you, LORD, for hearing and answering our prayers – even when you do so differently than we would prefer.
We pray in the holy and mighty name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen*

Names in Bold are new additions. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list.
Otherwise, requests are removed after a month.
