

# THIS WEEK at Word of Life

All events at church building unless noted otherwise.

## Sunday, December 3

### Traditional Worship

8:30 am

### Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

9:45 am

Livestream available at [www.wordoflife4u.com/watch](http://www.wordoflife4u.com/watch)

### Ruth/Esther Bible Study

9:45 am

Front Meeting Room

### Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

11:00 am

### Confirmation

4:00 pm

### Youth Group

4:45 pm

Weissmann's (108 Rustic Trail, Cibolo)

## Thursday, December 7

### Christmas Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm

## Sunday, December 10

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8:30 am

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### Congregational Meeting

About Noon - Following the 11 o'clock service

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### Seek and Save Days

It's time to connect with people who are missing out on Jesus and new life. At Christmas, people where we live, work, learn and play are more open to our invitations and to the Gospel. Those who are in transition or under tension are most receptive. Is someone experiencing a new marriage, a new baby, a new home, a new job or a new school? Ask them about the changes they're going through. Really listen.



The following will also be more receptive:

- Close friends and relatives of new converts
- People going through a divorce
- Those who feel the need for a recovery program (alcohol, drugs, gambling, etc.)
- First-time parents
- People suffering a terminal illness
- Couples with major marriage problems
- Parents with children problems
- Recently unemployed/major financial problems
- New residents in the community

Let's reach out to people while they are most receptive. Ask God to help you see who to listen to, engage with, invite and bring. **Then do it.** Invitations are available in the welcome center.



## Christmas Service Schedule

Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24

ONE morning service

9:45 am

Candlelight Service  
with Special Children's Message

7:00 pm

New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31

ONE morning service

9:45 am

# Word of Life Fellowship

December 3, 2023

8:30 Traditional

9:45 Contemporary

11:00 Contemporary

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bigger heaven  
& better lives!



### Welcome!

We respect and welcome people of every race, culture, status and religious background. We're first and foremost Christian and Christ-centered. Secondly, we

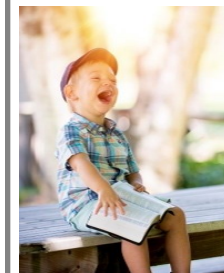
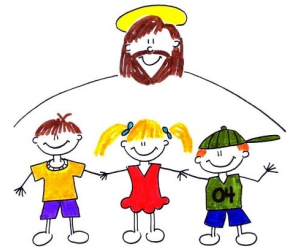
are part of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, an international church body which stands on the authoritative Word of God, upholds God's law and proclaims the Gospel which offers God's free gifts of forgiveness, a better life now and heaven forever. All this and more are received by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.

### Children's Ministry

We are so happy you have brought your children to worship today. After the Children's Message in both contemporary services, children (Infants—6th grade) are invited to attend age appropriate Sunday School classes:

- Movers & Shakers—Infant thru 3 yr old,
- JAM (Jesus & Me)—4 yr old thru 3rd grade,
- 'Tweens—4th thru 6th grade.

Please pick up your children from their classroom at the end of the worship service.



A Nursery room is available in the yellow classroom through the door under the left screen.

Children's Activity Bags are available in the lobby. They include activity books, coloring sheets, crayons and more. Please return the bags to the "tree" after the service.

### Building a Bigger Heaven in Texas

This week we're praying for missionary pastor Arturo Mendez and the people of St. Matthew Lutheran as they reach out to people in Houston and beyond. We support their work through gifts given to Texas Partners in Mission (TPIM).



Through gifts to TPIM, More than 112 evangelists have been trained since 2018. These servants are sharing the Gospel and cultivating outreach in local communities. There are five trained evangelists right here at Word of Life!

### Congregational Assembly

Mark your calendars now for the annual Congregational assembly scheduled for **Sunday, Dec. 10** right after the **11:00** service. Please pray God will continue to work powerfully through Word of Life Fellowship and make plans to attend this important meeting. The agenda items are approval of the Ministry Financial Plan for 2024 and election of the 2024 Leadership Team. Below is the slate of nominees:

### Congregational Meeting



Margie Dominguez  
Al Fennigkoh  
Carrie Johnson  
Jan Pawelek

Greg Peterson  
Jon Stafford  
Ty Williams

### RACAP Needs

The Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program (RACAP) provides emergency assistance to people in need. They currently need:

- canned fruit
- tomato products
- ramen
- Jell-O
- canned soup
- beans (canned and bagged)
- bagged rice
- mac n cheese
- muffin mix
- meat helpers
- dish detergent
- toothpaste
- shampoo



Please leave donated items in the blue RACAP bin in the lobby.



### Advent Devotions

The church divides the year into different seasons which emphasize the life of Christ and the life of His Church. Advent is the season of preparation and

anticipation leading up to Christmas and Epiphany. Advent begins TODAY! Christmas Day is on a Monday this year, so that means the 4th Sunday in Advent is also Christmas Eve. To help focus your heart this season, visit [www.lhm.org/advent](http://www.lhm.org/advent). The site has daily thought-provoking readings compiled by Lutheran Hour Ministries. They are available as a daily email or the complete series can be downloaded.



### Sunday Morning Bible Study

The study of Ruth & Esther continues **Sunday mornings, 9:45 am** in the front classroom. Ruth and Esther, two young women who lived 600 years apart, learned important lessons about trusting God. Living in dark days ruled by oppressive regimes, their faithfulness played a decisive role in God's bigger plan. Today their stories still inspire believers to see what God will do when they trust Him. Questions? Jim Weissmann, 801-309-0517.

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### Poinsettias

Beautiful poinsettias and other plants have been placed around the church in celebration of the Advent/Christmas season. If you would like to donate to-

ward the cost of these plants, please place your check (made out to Word of Life) or cash donation in one of the Poinsettia envelopes available at the offering box.

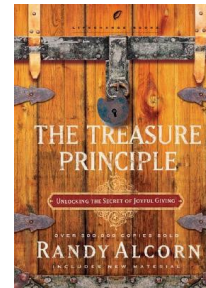
### Noticed Blessing Lives

Big thanks to all the volunteers who made the Advent by Candlelight event a GREAT success. You can find pictures of the event on the event page in the Word of Life Facebook group.



### Resource Table

Check out the resource table in the lobby for copies of *The Treasure Principle*, the book on which our current LifeLesson series is based. They are only \$7 each. In addition, there are books on a variety of Christian topics. We purchase at a discount and pass the savings on to you. If we run out we'll order more!



### Snacks & Coffee

Join us for coffee, tea, and assorted snacks after each of the morning services. Have a snack you want to share? Feel free to bring it!



### Summer Camp Registration

Registration is now open for summer camping experiences at Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, TX. There are opportunities for children ages 5 - 18. The youngest campers get introduced to the camp experience through a week-end visit. Older campers stay for a full week. There are also opportunities for families to experience camp together. For more info visit [www.camplonestar.org](http://www.camplonestar.org)



# LONE STAR



### YouTube Link

View our Sunday morning worship on YouTube when you are traveling or unable to attend in person: [www.youtube.com/@wordoflife4u](http://www.youtube.com/@wordoflife4u)