

THIS WEEK at Word of Life

All events at Word of Life unless noted otherwise.

Sunday, December 29

ONE Combined Worship

9:45 am

Livestream available at wordoflife4u.com/watch

Soup Sharing

After Worship

No Confirmation

No Youth Group

Wednesday, January 1

Happy New Year!



Saturday, January 4

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

8:00 am

El Jalisco (790 FM 3009, Schertz)

Questions? Mark Stemmermann, 210-508-2073

Sunday, January 5

Traditional Worship

8:30 am

Bible Study

9:45 am

Front Classroom

Questions? Pastor Ken, 210-862-2075

Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

9:45 am

Livestream available at wordoflife4u.com/watch

Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

11:00 am

NO Confirmation

NO Youth Group



THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who were involved in last Sunday's *Caroling Through the Ages* Christmas program. You did a great job, and we learned new information about familiar Christmas carols. Thanks especially to Denise Bruce, the author and creative source of the idea.



Epiphany House Blessing

Epiphany is **Saturday January 6**. The ancient tradition of a house blessing at Epiphany is a great way to start the New Year. This season is particularly timely due to the connection of the visitation of the Magi to the home of the infant Christ. Epiphany House Blessing kits are available for pickup **today**. Pick one up for your family. Consider inviting friends or neighbors to participate with you, or give them an extra kit for their house.



Christmas Take-Down

Join us **Saturday, Jan. 4, 10:00 am** as we take down the Christmas decorations and box items up for next year. There will be jobs for all ages, and all help is appreciated.

Slide Volunteers Needed

Learn how to run the ProPresenter slides for Sunday morning worship! The #1 skill needed is the ability to pay attention to the service. Training provided. With enough volunteers, operators service just one Sunday/month. Questions? Patti Mitschke, 210-862-2075 or patti@wordoflife4u.com.



Word of Life Fellowship

December 29, 2024

8:30 Traditional

9:45 Contemporary

11:00 Contemporary

213 Coy Lane

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*Building a
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

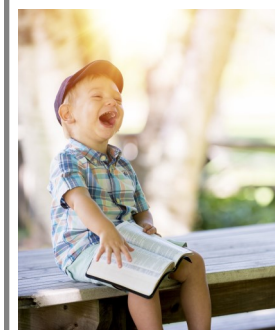
stands on the authoritative Word of God, upholds God's law and proclaims the Gospel which offers God's free gifts of forgiveness, a better life now and heaven forever. All this and more are received by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.

Children's Ministry

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

- Movers & Shakers—Infant thru 4 yr old,
- JAM (Jesus & Me)—5 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 pastor Steve Morfitt and the people of Mt. Calvary as they reach out to people in Raymondville, TX and beyond. We support their work through gifts given to Texas Partners in Mission (TPIM).

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Men are invited to meet THIS Saturday morning, Jan 4, 8:00 am at El Jalisco, 790 Roy Richard Dr, Schertz.

Be nourished and encouraged. Bring a Bible and a friend. Questions? Mark Stemmermann, 210-508-2073.



Meet Pastor Phil

In an effort to know you better, Pastor Phil is inviting himself to your house. Send him a text to set up a date. He's excited to meet you! If calendars allow, Kate and the boys can also be included. Questions? Pastor Phil, 210-846-8505.

Prayer Requests/Thanksgivings

Prayer partners (with praying hands stickers on their name tags) are available to pray with you this morning. You may also share prayer requests for our weekly prayer list:

- Write them on your Info Slip and drop it in the offering box
- Submit them at wordoflife4u.com/prayer
- Email them to betterlife@wordoflife4u.com

Please indicate whether you'd like your prayer to be confidential, otherwise we'll edit it and add it to our prayer list and offer the prayer in worship services. As prayers are answered or requests change, please keep us updated through the same methods.



How can you help Word of Life continue to be a vital mission outpost in 2025?

- **Pray** for the Lord's direction and help.
- **Volunteer** to help or lead so we may save on paid services and improve what we offer.
- **Listen** to the people where we live, work, and play. Pray for them, eat with them, serve them, tell your story about Jesus and Word of Life and **invite** them to trust in Jesus and join Him in His mission.
- **Increase** giving to the Lord at Word of Life.
- **Improve** systems to help people use their unique, God-given gifts and better serve our congregation and community.
- **Start New** to reach new: new courses, new groups, and new ministries.
- **Find** a person or group to help you grow in faith and good works.
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RACAP (Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program) operates a food pantry and provides emergency assistance to people in need in our community. RACAP is a cooperative effort of several churches in the area.

Current needs:

- Beans
- Rice
- Cornbread mix
- Jell-O mix
- Peanut butter
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Feminine Hygiene items



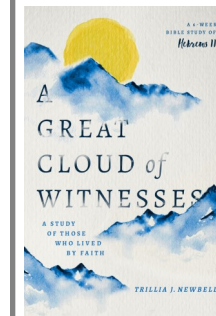
Please place items in the blue RACAP bin in the lobby. Donations may also be dropped at the 24 hr. Emergency Centers in both Schertz and Cibolo. The Schertz center is on FM 3009 next to HEB. The Cibolo center is on Cibolo Valley Drive next to the Cibolo Walmart. Just mention that the items are for RACAP.

Sometimes Saturday Sisterhood (SSS)

Ladies, join us for brunch and a bracelet craft on Saturday, Jan. 11 at 10:00 am. Shirley Christiansen is the hosted.. All craft supplies will be provided. In order to have enough supplies on hand, please sign up on the sheet in the lobby. Bring a dish to share and invite a friend to join you. Questions? Shirley Christiansen, 210-452-0372.



Saturday Women's LifeGroup



The Saturday Women's LifeGroup resumes on **Saturday, Jan. 18, 9:30 am** at the home of Michelle Hargett Castillo (1535 Jasmine Dr, Schertz). We'll begin with brunch and an introduction to our study, "A Great Cloud of Witnesses." Copies of the study guide are available for \$10 each. Questions? Patti Mitschke, 210-862-2075.

Looking for Help?

Stephen Ministers are trained in topics including listening, feelings, assertiveness, and confidentiality. They minister to people in transitional situations such as divorce, terminal illness, grief and childbirth. They are also trained to recognize when a care receiver's needs go beyond the care a Stephen Minister can provide and know where the care receiver may seek additional care. Confidentiality is a cornerstone of Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers don't reveal what their care receivers have told them: not to the pastors, not to Stephen Leaders, not to spouses or friends, not to other Stephen Ministers. To request a Stephen Minister, or find out about becoming one, call Tammy Weissmann, 210-314-3754 or Becky Peterson, 210-240-7776.



YouTube Streaming

Traveling? Ill? Unable to attend worship? Watch our 9:45 am Sunday morning service livestream or the recording later:
[Youtube.com/@WordofLife4u](https://www.youtube.com/@WordofLife4u)