# THIS WEEK at Word of Life

All events at church building unless noted otherwise.

## Sunday, December 31

**Combined Worship with Sunday School** 

9:45 am

Livestream available at www.wordoflife4u.com/watch

### **Taco Brunch**

Following worship

**NO Confirmation** 

**NO Youth Group** 

# Saturday, January 6

Men's Bible Study & Breakfast

8:00 am

El Jalisco (790 FM 3009, Schertz)

# Sunday, January 7

**Traditional Worship** 

8:30 am

# Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

9:45 am

Livestream available at www.wordoflife4u.com/watch

### **Ruth/Esther Bible Study**

9:45 am

Front Meeting Room

### Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

11:00 am

### **Christmas Take Down**

3:30 pm

### Confirmation

4:00 pm

## **Youth Group**

4:45 pm

Weissmann's (108 Rustic Trail, Cibolo)

### **Taco Brunch**

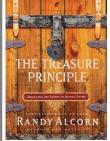
Please join us for a Taco Brunch after worship this morning. We have an assortment of breakfast tacos as well as fixings for various other tacos. Enjoy a time of good eats and fellowship.





### **Epiphany House Blessing**

Epiphany is Saturday January 6. The ancient tradition of a house blessing at Epiphany is a good way to start the New Year. The season of the Epiphany is particularly timely due to the connection of the visitation of the Magi to the home of the infant Christ. House Blessing kits are available for pickup today. Be sure to pick one up for your family. Consider inviting friends and neighbors to participate with you, or take an extra kit and give it to a neighbor or friend.



#### Resource Table

Check out the resource table in the lobby for copies of The Treasure Principle, the book on which our recent LifeLesson series was 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!

### Christmas Take-Down

Please join us next Sunday, Jan. 7 at 3:30 pm 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.



# **Word of Life Fellowship**

**Building** a

bigger heaven

& better lives!

December 31, 2023

# 9:45 Combined Service

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### Welcome!

We respect and welcome people of every race, culture, status and religious background. We're first and foremost Christian and Christcentered. 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 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 Gregory Lorenz and the people of St. Paul as they reach out to people in McAllen, TX and beyond. We support their work through gifts given to Texas Partners in Mission (TPIM).



How can you help Word of Life continue to be a vital ministry outpost in 2024?

- Pray for the Lord's direction and help.
- Connect with more people and invite them to Word of Life and the better and eternal life Jesus gives.
- Help or lead ministries that meet needs and make Word of Life attractive to others.
- Increase tithes and offerings to the Lord at Word of Life for 2024.
- Volunteer to help so we may add or improve what we offer and save on paid services.
- Improve systems and TEAMs to help people use their unique, God-given gifts and to better serve our congregation and community.
- Start new to reach new: new courses, new causes, new groups and new ministries.
- Increase joy and loving kindness.

The best is yet to come!

## **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 weekend 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



### Thank You

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Christmas Eve celebration so wonderful and full! We had beautiful music with choir, trumpet, and 138 voices, a fun

participatory children's message, beautiful poinsettias to decorate the church, delicious cookies and hot chocolate to share, and great volunteers who helped greet visitors, add chairs, adjust lights and light candles. Everything came together for a fantastic celebration!

### **Community Courses**

Help us plan courses and groups for you and our community this Spring. Review the list of options on the RSVP form and indicate your interest. When we



have enough interest, we'll put it on the calendar. Need more info or interested in leading one of these or another course? Talk with Pastor Ken, 210-862-7629 or Ken@WordofLife4u.com

# LAST DAY TO RESPOND



### Your Input Needed

The Call Committee requests your input to help the Texas District identify the best candidates for us to consider calling as our Associate Pastor. Please provide your input by completing a short survey. The survey is available to all adult regular attenders and confirmed youth. Please complete the survey by **Dec. 31**.



Scan the QR code to complete the survey online through Survey Monkey. Hard copies of the survey are available for anyone unable to complete the online version. Please turn in your hard copy survey to Pastor Ken or Greg Peterson.

## Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

THIS Saturday morning, Jan 6 at 8:00 am, the men will meet at El Jalisco, 790 Roy Richard Dr, Schertz.



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



### 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. Stephen Ministers

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 pastor, not to Stephen Leaders, not to spouses or friends, not to other Stephen Ministers. Want to know more? Call Tammy Weissmann, 210-314-3754 or Becky Peterson, 210-240-7776 for more information.

### **RACAP Needs**

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

- Canned pasta meals
- Dry pasta
- Dry rice
- Cereal
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Toilet paper
- Laundry detergent
- Feminine products

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

