

TODAY at Word of Life

All events at our church building unless noted otherwise.

Sunday, August 8

Worship

8:30 a.m. Traditional

9:45 a.m.

Adult Bible Study

Yellow Classroom

9:45 a.m. Contemporary with Sunday School

Livestream available www.wordoflife4u.com/watch

11:00 a.m. Contemporary with Sunday School

5:00 p.m. Anniversary Planning

6:35 p.m. Youth Group

Tuesday, August 10

Stephen Ministry

7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 11

Leadership TEAM

6:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 15

Worship

8:30 a.m. Traditional

9:45 a.m. Contemporary with Kids Water Fun

Livestream available www.wordoflife4u.com/watch

9:45 a.m.

Adult Bible Study

Yellow Classroom

11:00 a.m. Contemporary with Sunday School

Sanctuary City for the Unborn

Almost 30 cities throughout the United States have passed enforceable ordinances outlawing abortion within their city limits. This means babies can never be murdered by abortion in any of these cities because abortion is banned. If you would like to see your city pass such an ordinance, sign the online petition at: www.sanctuarycitiesfortheunborn.com/online-petition.

Anniversary Celebration

November 2021 marks FIVE years Word of Life has been in our ministry facility! Plans are in the works for a variety of celebrations to mark the occasion. If you have ideas/suggestions or want to help with these events, please attend a brainstorming session **TODAY, August 8, 5:00 p.m.** All ideas are welcome. Questions? Patti Mitschke, patti@wordoflife4u.com.



Compassionate Christian Personal Caregiving

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 child-birth. 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, and not to other Stephen Ministers.

If you or someone you know may benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please call Tammy Weissmann 210-314-3754 or Becky Peterson 210-240-7776.

Ways to give to the Lord at Word of Life:

- **Electronic Bill Pay**—Write the fund(s) you want to give to on the memo field in your bank's bill pay feature.
- **Check**—Write the fund(s) you want to give to on the memo line of your check and place in the offering box near the door or mail to: Word of Life Fellowship, 213 Coy Ln, Cibolo, TX 78108.
- **Cash**—Write the fund(s) you want to give to on an envelope and place in the offering box near the door.
- **Give Online**—Go to www.wordoflife4u.com/give. This online service will retain a transaction fee of \$.49 plus 1.9% of the total amount of your donation. These are the lowest transaction fees we could find.



Word of Life Fellowship

August 8, 2021

8:30 am Traditional

9:45 & 11:00 am Contemporary

213 Coy Lane

Cibolo, Texas 78108

210-566-2237

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Building a bigger heaven & better lives!



Welcome!

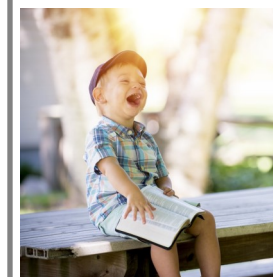
We respect and welcome people of every race, culture, status and religious background. We're first and foremost Christian and Christ-centered. Secondly, we are part of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, an international church body which stands on the authoritative Word of God, upholds God's law and proclaims the Gospel which offers God's free gifts of forgiveness, a better life now and heaven later. All this and more are received by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.

Nursery

A nursery area is available for parents and children in the room to the left as you exit the worship area. This room is NOT staffed.

Parents must remain in the nursery with their children.

Only children and parents from the same household are allowed to be in the nursery at the same time. Please use the available cleaning wipes to clean table surfaces, toys, door handles, etc. before you leave the nursery so that it is clean for the next family.



For Children

After the Children's Message in both contemporary services, children, Pre-K—6th grade, will be dismissed to age-appropriate Sunday school classes. Please pick them up in their classroom at the end of the service.

Children's Activity Bags are also available in the lobby. These include activity books, coloring sheets, crayons and more. Please return these bags to the "tree" before leaving worship.

Building a Bigger Heaven in Texas

In our prayers this week, we're lifting up missionary vicar Luis Morales and the people of Cristo El Salvador as they reach out to people in Del Rio, TX and beyond. We support new ministries in Texas through our gifts to Texas Partners in Mission.



Anniversary Flowers

The flowers on the altar today were given in gratitude to God for 50 years of marriage for Wayne and Mary Flowers. May God continue to bless their life together.



Our Unique Vision

Wanted, one or two people who are:

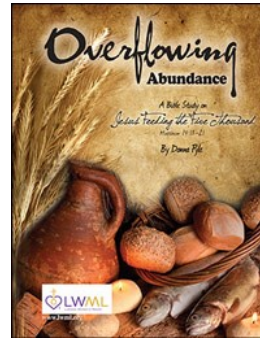
- committed to God's mission,
- ready to discern the needs and desires of our community, and
- eager to work at finding ways for the Word of Life family to join God in building a bigger heaven and better lives in Cibolo, Schertz, Garden Ridge and beyond.

To be considered, please contact Jim Weissmann, james.weissmann4@gmail.com or Pastor Ken, Ken@wordoflife4u.com.

Jim and Pastor Ken recently connected with Mr. Larry Rietz. He is a retired Fortune 500 executive. He now helps churches and ministries nationwide, including the FiveTwo Network and the Texas District. He will help Word of Life discover our **unique, God-given vision for ministry.**

Women's Bible Study

A Saturday Women's Bible study group will start in the next month. Patti Mitschke will lead the group through *Overflowing Abundance*, a 6-lesson Bible study on Jesus' feeding of the five thousand. Sometimes, in seasons of stress and brokenness, we keep our eyes down, trudging forward, never looking up to see our Provider. Yet, when Christ is present, the weary find rest, and the hungry soul is satisfied. For more info, talk to Patti Mitschke, Patti@wordoflife4u.com or 210-862-2075.



Leadership TEAM

The Leadership TEAM will meet on Wednesday, **August 11 at 6:30 p.m.** Next steps toward our Vision & Mission process are in the works. Please read the related article and pray about volunteering for the Vision TEAM.

RACAP Needs

Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program (RACAP) provides assistance to area families in need. Please help with monetary or food donations. Food items may be left in the RACAP barrel in the lobby or dropped off 24/7 at the following locations:

- Physicians Premier Emergency Room, 580 Cibolo Valley Dr. Ste.#137, Cibolo, (near the Walmart)
- Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic, 4825 FM 3009, Ste. 200 Schertz (behind HEB)

Monetary donations may be made by writing RACAP in the memo of your check and dropping in our offering box or electronically through the RACAP website at www.racap.org.

Current Pantry Needs:

- Empty egg cartons
- Quart size zipper storage bags (not freezer)
- Toothbrushes & toothpaste
- Feminine hygiene products
- Brown paper grocery bags (NOT lunch bags or shopping bags)
- Jelly



Texas CEF

Raelyn Pracht, Marketing Specialist for Texas CEF, is visiting Word of Life today. If you have questions about the investment opportunities available through Texas CEF, please chat with Raelyn after each service.

Texas Church Extension Fund (TexasCEF) provides a wide variety of investment opportunities. Every dollar you save with TexasCEF earns a competitive rate of return and provides low cost construction loans to Texas congregations (like Word of Life!) Check out their NEW Rainy Day account which pays up to 1% interest. Your investment is a wise personal savings plan that allows TexasCEF to make loans which serve others and actively show God's love. Current TexasCEF assets total \$180 million.

Children's Water Sunday

Next Sunday, **August 15**, during the **9:45 a.m.** Sunday School time, children will enjoy a special WATER day! Bring your bathing suit, towel and a change of clothes. Beat the heat with lots of wacky water games and tons of fun in the sun! Don't forget the sun screen!



Noticed Blessing Lives

Have you been touched by an act of kindness or generosity by someone at Word of Life? Want to recognize a volunteer for the difference they have made? Just add a note to the RSVP form and we'll recognize them.

Confirmation Instruction

Students entering 7th grade and higher are invited to learn more about the Christian faith and continue the process of becoming followers of Jesus who help others follow Jesus through confirmation instruction.

If you have a student entering 7th, 8th or even 9th grade, please join Pastor Ken for a Parents Only Meeting, **Sunday, August 29, 6:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary. Questions, contact Pastor Ken at Ken@wordoflife4u.com or 210-862-7629.

