

# THIS WEEK at Word of Life

All events at church building unless noted otherwise.

## Sunday, November 19

### 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

### NO Youth Group

## Thursday, November 23

### Thanksgiving Day

NO Christmas Choir Rehearsal

## Sunday, November 26

### Traditional Worship

8:30 am

### Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

9:45 am

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### Ruth/Esther Bible Study

9:45 am

Front Meeting Room

### Contemporary Worship with Sunday School

11:00 am

### Christmas Decorating

3:30pm

### NO Confirmation

### NO Youth Group

### Advent by Candlelight

Ladies, make plans now to attend an evening of music, reflection, and community, focused on the Coming of Jesus.



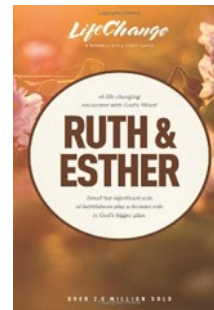
Leave the hustle and bustle of the busy holiday season behind and reflect on the mystery of the Incarnation. Join us on **Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 pm**. The event allows women and girls (grade school and older) to begin the Advent season with their minds and hearts set on Christ.



We encourage you to invite your friends to join you for this event. Invitations are available at the display in the back of the worship area. **The deadline to RSVP is NEXT Sunday, Nov. 26.** We also need volunteers to bring pies, cakes, bars and other seasonal treats to share at the event. Please RSVP/sign up at the table or contact Patti at 210-862-2075 or [Patti@wordoflife4u.com](mailto:Patti@wordoflife4u.com)

### Sunday Morning Bible Study

The study of Ruth & Esther continues **Sunday mornings at 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.



### Operation Christmas Child

Your shoebox gifts are due today! They will be delivered to the collection center after the 11:00 service.

It's not too late to help with this project. Shipping costs are \$10/box. Your donation can help send more boxes to

more children around the world. Use one of the Operation Christmas Child envelopes to donate toward the processing costs. Questions? Patti Mitschke, 210-862-2075.

# Word of Life Fellowship

November 19, 2023

8:30 Traditional

9:45 Contemporary

11:00 Contemporary

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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

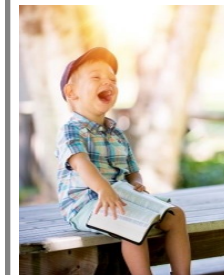
which stands on the authoritative Word of God, upholds God's law and proclaims the Gospel which offers God's free gifts of forgiveness, a better life now and heaven forever. All this and more are received by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.

### Children's Ministry

We are so happy you have brought your children to worship today. After the Children's Message 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 Patrick Miller and the people of Soulthirst as they reach out to people in Frisco, TX and beyond. We support their work through gifts given to Texas Partners in Mission (TPIM).



### Church Decorating

It's time to decorate the church for the Advent/Christmas season! All ages are encouraged to help **NEXT Sunday, Nov. 26, 3:30 pm**. There will be tasks for all ages! Bring the whole family. We'll also set up for Advent by Candlelight. Questions? Shirley Christiansen, 210-452-0372.

### Congregational Meeting



### 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.

### Family Cross

New Word of Life families are invited to donate a cross for the wall.

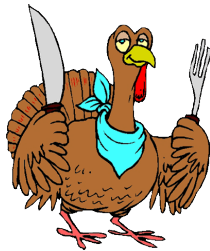


The cross should be no larger than 18 inches. Be sure to write your family's name and the year you started attending Word of Life on the back of the cross. Questions? Patti Mitschke, 210-862-2075 or Patti@WordofLife4u.com



Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy the day, the food, the family and friends. Here are a few ideas to help you focus on THANKS this Thanksgiving.

- Write down the name of family members/friends on a piece of paper and place them in a bowl. Take turns drawing out the names and share five things you're thankful for about the person whose name you've drawn.
- Take a post-feast walk to a nearby park. Pick up trash as you walk.
- Add five items (nuts, mini marshmallows, candy, etc.) at each place setting on your Thanksgiving table. As you eat them, share five reasons you are thankful.
- Use a concordance or internet search to look up Scripture passages about giving thanks. Read them aloud to each other.
- Take time to thank God for all of His blessings - especially for the blessing of salvation through Jesus.



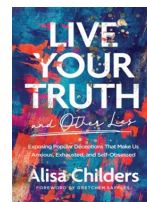
### FREE Thanksgiving Feast

You are invited to the 11th Annual "Give Back" Thanksgiving Dinner on **Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23**. Harmon's BBQ (102 S. Main Street, Cibolo) will serve full meals starting at 10 am until they run out. Meals include turkey, dressing, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberries, rolls and dessert. Dine in only. Delivery is

available for 1st responders and homebound. To arrange delivery call Mike, 210-378-3744.

### Confronting Current Issues

Check out the resource table in the lobby for a variety of books on Christian topics. Additional copies of popular titles are available. We purchase at a discount and pass the savings on to you. If we run out we'll order more!



### RACAP Needs

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

- Canned pasta meals
- Toothpaste
- Jelly
- Jello
- Feminine hygiene pads
- Shampoo
- Conditioner



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



### Care Contacts

#### Prayer Chain:

Jayme Edwards, 210-382-5711

#### Meals for Ill or Grieving:

Carrie Johnson, 315-286-0456

**Hospitalization, Surgery, Major Illness, Pastoral Care:**  
Pastor Ken, 210-862-7629

### Donate your Eyeglasses

Millions living in low/middle income countries lack access to basic eye care services. Help them by donating your used glasses. Place them in the box provided in the entryway. Questions? Contact Peggy Myers, mmq40@att.net



### Texas Church Extension Fund

Our building loan is with the Texas District Church Extension Fund (CEF). Every dollar you save with Texas District CEF earns you a competitive rate of return and provides low-cost

construction loans to Texas congregations. In addition, based upon your investments, Word of Life earns a yearly rebate. Current Texas District CEF assets total \$195 million. Please consider the many investment options available through Texas District CEF. For more information, pick up an informational flyer in the lobby or visit [www.TexasCEF.org](http://www.TexasCEF.org)