

# Lord of Life Lutheran Church

*"Where There's Life For You!"*

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## Our Mission Statement

*Inviting all to grow in Christ!*



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# LIFELINE



In preparation for the Festival of Easter, we observe a very special season called Lent. Through scripture readings, prayers, and meditation we focus on God's will and plan for our lives.

Jesus said, "I came that you might have life to the full." A full life is to be lived each day in the present. Stop living in the past, stop living in the future. Seek and enjoy the blessings of this very special, present day. "This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."

As pastor, I am saddened by the burdens people keep carrying along with them in life. This is partly the work of the enemy. Satan reminds us and drags out the old failures and mistakes to make us feel miserable. Jesus calls us to be glad in each new day. To accomplish this, we need to live life to the full this present day! Stop living in the past or worrying about the future. Everyone has fallen short of the glory of God. That's why God gave Jesus to die for our sins and this is the emphasis of our observation called Lent.

Each Sunday, we make confession, public confession, of our sins before receiving Holy Communion. Each Sunday we are offered and given forgiveness of all our sins. God tells us in His Holy Word, the Bible, "I will remember your sins no more. I cast them into the depths of the sea. As far as the East is from the West, so far will I remove them.

Too often we slide back to live in the past and relive all the guilt, grief, and shame. Stop, stop, stop doing this! Stop living in the past. Let go of it. You can't change anything of the past, so leave it in God's hands of love, mercy, and forgiveness.

Live in Christ's victory of Easter!

May God bless you and your loved ones in our 2011 Lenten Journey.

In His Grip,

Pastor Chuck





## Worship Schedule For Lent

# 2011 Lenten Worship at Lord of Life

March 9-April 14

Simple suppers at 6 pm  
Worship at 7 pm

Ash Wednesday, March 9 - Soup Supper  
*Holy Communion and Imposition of Ash*

Thursday, March 17 - International Supper  
*Pastor Chuck*

Thursday, March 24 - Taco Supper  
*Cindy Cassem*

Thursday, March 31 - Finger Foods  
*John Lowe*

Thursday, April 7 - Chili Supper  
*Teri Hilker*

Thursday, April 14 - Salad Bar Supper  
*Pastor Chuck*

## Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday, April 17 at 9:00 am

Maundy Thursday, April 21 - Soup Supper  
Service at 7 pm

Good Friday, April 22 - No Supper  
Service at 7 pm

Easter Sunday, April 24 at 9:00 am  
*Please join us for Easter Breakfast from 7:30-8:45 am*



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## HEY KIDS...



Join us Palm Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am for our annual children's Easter egg hunt. Children ages 1-10 are welcome to join in the fun. Bring your Easter basket and meet in the fellowship hall at the end of the service.

If anyone would like to donate candy and/or filled eggs, please bring them to the church office before April 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your help.

EVERYONE IS  
INVITED FOR AN  
EASTER SUNDAY  
BREAKFAST  
POTLUCK FROM  
7:30-8:45 AM ON APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>.  
PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE  
NARTHEX.

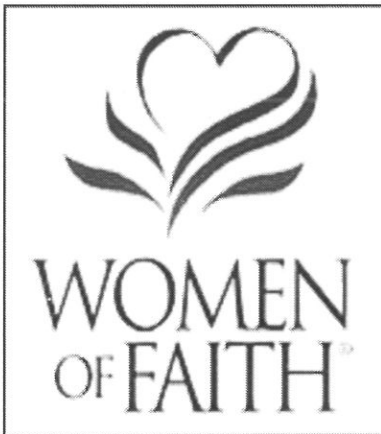


You may bring an Easter lily to decorate the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Your lily will be placed around the altar in honor or memory of a loved one or for Christ's resurrection. Please have them to the church office by Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. You may take them home after the Easter worship service.



## Sweet Monday on Wednesday

**ATTENTION LADIES:** If you haven't been to Sweet Monday on Wednesday, clear your schedule and come on over! Sweet Monday on Wednesday will be meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup> for a wonderful study on "The Greatest Story." These monthly studies will cover the entire Bible from Genesis to Revelation as it introduces key people, places, and events. Explore where you fit in the greatest story and how the greatest story fits in your life. Engaging resources bring the Bible to life through stories, illustrations, and reflections. We meet at 7:00 pm at Cindy Cassem's home at 24815 Moonshadow Dr, Moreno Valley, 92557. Please come for a night of wonderful Christian fellowship...and bring a friend. No reservations are needed. Call Cindy at 951-485-9660 if you need more information.



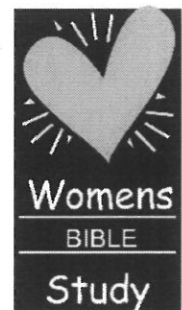
Women of Faith will be coming around again next September. Save the date, Friday and Saturday SEPT 9 and 10, 2011. "Over the Top" is the theme. We will have many fabulous speakers and lots of good music. Only 7 tickets remain and will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. The ladies that attended this past year had a fabulous time. Talk to them and find out how much they enjoyed the conference.

Tickets are \$89.00 for the two days. Conference times are 10:00am to 3:00pm and 7:00pm to 10:00pm on Friday and 9:00am to 5:00pm on Saturday. Box lunches are included for both days. Please contact the church office for further details.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

SUBMITTED BY MAGGIE AUGUST

IN MARCH, WE WILL START THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE LENT AND EASTER SEASONS, THE GOSPEL READINGS ARE TAKEN FROM HIS MESSAGE. OUR GROUP IS OPEN TO QUESTIONS AND REFLECTION WHILE SHARING. WE HAVE FUN AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE OUR TIME WITH YOU. IF THE SPIRIT WITHIN IS GIVING YOU A NUDGE, LISTEN AND COME TO LORD OF LIFE ON TUESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:00 AM. SEE YOU THERE!!





## Cleaning for a Reason

If you know  
any woman

currently undergoing Chemo, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - 1 time per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service.

<http://www.cleaningforareas.org>

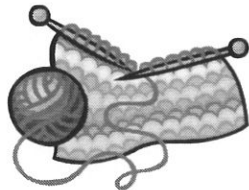
Please pass this information on to bless a woman going through cancer treatment.

This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

**CHECK IT OUT!** We have new vendors on our back page. Take a look through the fine people who care about this congregation enough to purchase advertising space in our newsletter. Show them your gratitude and appreciation by looking there first and use their services when possible. Thank you.

## Can you knit, crochet, or sew?

Audrey Flickinger has started a **Prayer Shawl/Blanket Ministry** for the members and friends of Lord of Life. If you want to help wrap someone in a warm hug infused with prayer, please contact Audrey. There are patterns for all skill levels. If you or anyone you know would like to receive a prayer shawl, please contact the church office.



Special thanks go out to Audrey, Darlene Bueker, and Penny Nay for all the hard work and the beautiful prayer shawls!



**Please Pray For:**

Oly Vernlund,  
Johnathan  
Coutu,  
Darlene  
Bueker,  
Audra Ciasullo,  
Fred Bueker,  
Pastor Dave, Judy  
Christensen, Roy Johnson,  
Jessie McMillian, Corey  
Lester, Katherine Ward, Mary  
Wendorf, Cindy Cassem,  
Denise Slaton, Victor Jones,  
Glafira Tinoco, Jack Hoffman,  
Linda Baginski, Adrienne  
Record, Janell Stanford,  
Connie Lowe, Jeanette  
Ramirez, Karen Osmon, Josh  
Althoff, Maya, Alan Yoder,  
Julie Johnson, Arnette Lester,  
the people most affected by  
snow, mud, earthquakes, and  
flooding; and all others  
needing God's healing touch.



### March:

John Abramson  
Jill Gardner  
Julie McAlister  
Kaysie Ellingson  
Maggie August  
Bob Lantz  
Breanna Freiberg  
Jonathan Cruz  
Greg Luna, Jr.  
Jacob Avila  
Enjoli Zappulla  
Trent Zappulla  
Brayden Freiberg  
Brendan Freiberg  
Caitlyn Jackson

### April:

Derrick McMillian  
Joseph McMillian  
Ciera Silva  
Bryan Slaton  
Jackie Silvey  
Pat Rupert  
Shane Freiberg  
Marie Bundura  
Aaron Saxton  
Darlene Bueker  
Shy Stanton

*If your baptism information is not included, or included in error, please contact the church office so that we may update our system. We would like to celebrate everyone's baptism anniversary, so please be sure to contact the church office with your information. Thank you.*





You are cordially invited:

**What: Moreno Valley Relay for Life**  
**Where: Valley View High School, Nason St, Moreno Valley**  
**When: Saturday, April 16, 2011, 9AM**

**Event Schedule**

Opening Ceremony: 9AM Sat  
Survivors Lap: 9:30AM Sat  
Luminaria Ceremony: 9PM Sat  
Fight Back / Closing Ceremony: 8:30AM Sun, April 17



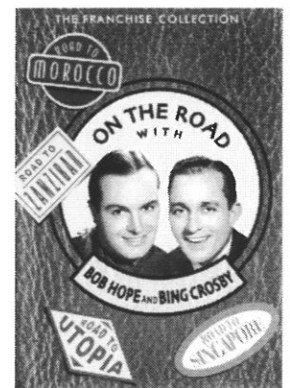
Relay For Life is more than just a fundraiser or a walk around the track. It's a life-changing experience. An experience where we can gather together with friends, family, and colleagues to laugh, cry, and create lasting memories. We at Lord of Life Lutheran Church know that, since we have participated in this event for 11 years. We have been the top team fundraiser for 10 of those years. At Relay, every person in the community has a chance to celebrate, remember, and fight back. And every person who participates joins others around the globe as part of this worldwide movement to end cancer.

The only requirement to participate in Relay For Life is the \$10 registration/commitment fee (per person) that is due upon registration. After that, anything you can raise through individual, team, or online fundraising is graciously accepted. It is recommended that each participant set a personal goal to raise \$100. If you raise more, that's even better. Even if you do not raise \$100, you are still welcome to participate.

No matter why you take part in Relay, however, one thing is clear: with every step you take, you are helping the American Cancer Society save lives. With your help, we aren't just fighting one type of cancer, we're fighting for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community. Each person who shares the Relay experience can take pride in knowing that they are working to create a world where this disease will no longer threaten the lives of our loved ones or claim another year of anyone's life.

**Come, join our Lord of Life team as we rally around our friends and loved ones, such as our own Oly Vernlund currently battling cancer, remember those we lost such as David Korshavn and others close to us. Invite cancer survivors to walk in the opening lap. Stay for the evening Luminaria ceremony. Partake in the festivities.**

**If you are interested in being on the team, being on a committee, being a sponsor or helping out in any way, please contact Becci Van Hoosier, Audrey Flickinger, or Pat Rupert. Our team project is Road to Recovery where we will recruit volunteer drivers to take cancer patients to and from their cancer treatments.**



Relay For Life is an American Cancer Society family friendly tobacco-free, alcohol-free community event with fun and entertainment for all ages.



**"We are the church community that takes up the challenge"**

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