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Our Mission Statement

Inviting all to grow in Christ!



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“Praise God from Whom ALL Blessings flow...”

Thank you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: for Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Moreno Valley and for the solid ministry so evident here; for the Christian Love in caring for one another in this family of God; for the Spirit of holiness and the openness to God’s work; for the enthusiasm in worship and music and reverence of the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

The message above I sent to you September, 2007 and now in May, 2011, I repeat it and add a resounding “**AMEN!**” I enjoyed numerous weekend preaching assignments while away from you, but I’m praising God for the special blessing to serve here again. This is one very great congregation with a magnificent ministry!

At our Good Friday Tenebrae Service, the Christ Candle was lighted symbolizing Christ’s resurrection from the dead and His blessed promise “whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.” This candle continues to be lighted through Pentecost Sunday, June 12th.

Pentecost is the third great festival of our Christian year, celebrating the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the community of faith, the Christian Church. The word “Pentecost” means 50th (day) in Greek and commemorates the descent of the Spirit upon the apostles 50 days after Jesus’ resurrection.

We are only, in our day, relearning what it means for the Church to think of ourselves as people of the Spirit, with the Spirit of God as our special gift. We are the people of God among whom God’s own Spirit dwells; as that Spirit spoke to the prophets of old; as that Spirit animated the life and ministry of God’s son, Jesus; so that same Spirit is now our own comfort, counselor, guide and advocate just as Christ promised. Red is the color for Pentecost symbolizing the tongues of fire, and the blood of the martyrs.

So, come celebrate the Holy Spirit at Lord of Life Lutheran Church Sunday, June 12th, and enjoy a pot-luck brunch with us following the Communion Service.

In His love and in His Grip,

Pastor Chuck



A Word of Thanks

I want to pass on a word of thanks to my wonderful church family. You have been very supportive of my goals to become a pastor, both through your prayers and monetarily. There are no words sufficient enough to express my gratitude and joy for your support. I pray that I can not only meet my goals but also your expectations. I will continue to update you on this process as I progress through all the steps.

- Application - complete
- Background check – complete
- Initial interview – complete
- Psychological evaluation – Fridays, May 13 and May 20, 2011
- Entrance interview – Saturday, July 30, 2011

Bishop Finck also nominated me for participation in the CREDO workshop at PLTS (\$660 + transportation) – August 25-28, 2011. This workshop is limited to 25 people who have been nominated by their respective Bishops. I paid the deposit and secured my spot.

I look forward to working together with you for God's plan. "For I know the plan that I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity, to give you a future and a hope.'" Jeremiah 29:11.

In His name,
Cindy Cassem



Please help **Thrivent Builds and Habitat for Humanity**

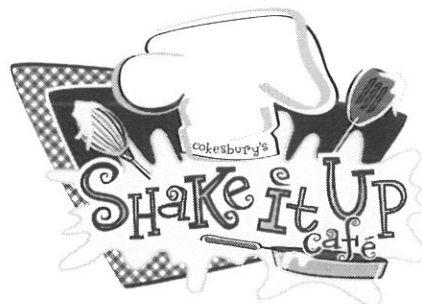
build a home for a military hero. Purchase your Frontier Logs for \$5.00 and see how

you can help make a difference! Also, mark your calendars for Saturday, May 21st: Lutheran Day framing and wall raising! If you would like to volunteer your time for this or any other build day, please contact call Christine Morgando at 951-787-6754 x 112.

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Lord of Life will be hosting **Life Line Screening** on Monday, June 27th, 2011. Life Line will be screening for blockages in the carotid arteries, abdominal aortic aneurysm, and peripheral arterial disease. They will also do an EKG, and osteoporosis risk assessment. This is a preventative program for anyone over the age of 40 and it is worth participating in. Your screening results are sent to you within 21 days after they are reviewed by a board certified physician, and you are then able to take those results to your own personal physician. These low cost, non-invasive, completely painless screenings take about 10 minutes each. You must pre-register by calling **1-800-324-1851** for an appointment. Information flyers are available and you can also visit the website at www.livelinescreening.com



Shake It Up Cafe VBS! July 25-28

Shake It Up Cafe Vacation Bible School will be coming to Lord of Life July 25-28 from 6-8 p.m. Plan now to be a part of this special week! Through biblical festivals and celebrations, your kids will have a week of great fun and learn the recipes for living out God's word. We will sing praise songs, make cool crafts, perform some awesome food science experiments, and play some new games. Dinner and a special t-shirt will be provided.

A \$5 donation is requested.

Invite your neighbors and friends to join us. As always, we need volunteers to help the

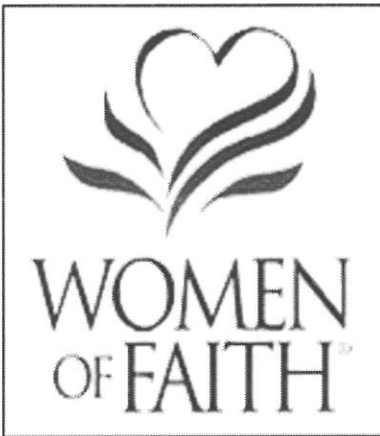
week be a success! Please contact Cathy Fulgenzi or Becci in the Church Office if you have any questions.





Sweet Monday on Wednesday

ATTENTION LADIES: If you haven't been to Sweet Monday on Wednesday, clear your schedule and come on over! SMOW will meet on Wednesday, May 11, 2011. This will be our last meeting before the summer break. We will be continuing our study of the Bible and "The Greatest Story". We will be looking at the Books of Joshua, Judges and Ruth. 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.



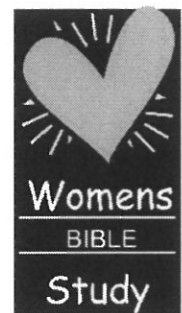
Women of Faith is coming around again soon. Save the date: Friday and Saturday SEPT 9 and 10, 2011. "Over the Top" is the theme. We will have many fabulous speakers and lots of good music. Only 7 tickets remain and will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. The ladies that attended this past year 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

WE HAVE STARTED 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.

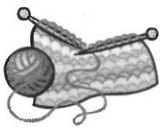
All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service.

<http://www.cleaningforareason.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!

Thank you so much for the prayer shawl and prayers. It's beautiful and it makes me feel like I'm wrapped in God's love and protection when I have it on. You make me feel part of God's family. You are so thoughtful and generous.

Love, Mary Wendorf, San Diego



Please Pray For:

Oly Vernlund, Pastor Chuck, David Jackson, Audra Ciasullo, Mike Slaton, Ira Yoder, Cathy Fulgenzi, Zappulla family, Roy Johnson, Jessie McMillian, Alan & Orpha Yoder, Corey Lester, Katherine Ward, Mary Wendorf, Judy Christensen, Victor Jones, Maria Kobanishi and family, Glafira Tinoco, Jack Hoffman, Linda Baginski, Janell Stanford, Connie Lowe, Jeanette Ramirez, Karen Osmon, Josh Althoff, Maya, Julie Johnson, Arnette Lester, the people most affected by snow, mud, earthquakes, and flooding; and all others needing God's healing touch.



BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY

May:

Heather Althoff	Arlene Eder
Amy Freeman	Bob Vernlund
Willie Rasmussen	Jennifer Parsons
Karman Johnson	Jason Shoemaker
Joshua Althoff	Cathy Fulgenzi
Robert Winn	Zachary Coleman
Bryan Cassem	Craig Fulgenzi
Jorine Campbell	Kim Fulgenzi
Cindy Cassem	Maxine Hagle
Tom Daugherty	

June:

Audrey Flickinger	Margo Ross
Pat Fulgenzi	Becci Van Hoosier
Wendy Eder	Mike Weitenhagen
Jan Egeland	Johnathan Coutu
Marv Egeland	Travis Coutu
Sharon Hummel	Denise Slaton
Adam Mahnken	Jordan Safaipour
Fred Palestis	Paula Winn
Jabez Ross	

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.



Congratulations! Together we made a difference

Thanks to all of you who participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Moreno Valley. Your involvement as a team member, a donor, a survivor, a walker on the track was so special and the millions of people who beat cancer every day are grateful for all your help. You were part of a movement where people around the globe are passionately committed to making a world with less cancer and more birthdays a reality. You helped the city of Moreno Valley bring in \$48,000 to date, surpassing the goal of \$39,000.

As this article went to print, our Lord of Life team raised over \$5,300.00, with more still coming in. We will know more at the Wrap-Up party – we will let you know the date, time and location.

Kudos to our Lord of Life/Love of Life team captain, the amazing Deb Weitenhagen and co-captains, Audrey Flickinger and Becci Van Hoosier who worked tirelessly to make this event a success. Thanks to the ladies who covered the Luminaria booth to make sure the bags were ready, and for the Cub Scouts and families who filled, placed, and ultimately lit the candles during the ceremony. Thanks also to Pastor Chuck Malloch for his loving and unwavering support. We are grateful to John Lowe for walking door to door for his donations making him our top team fundraiser.

We are proud of our dedicated walkers who made sure the track was covered 24/7: Cindy and Jim Cassem, John and Connie Lowe, Spencer Ciasullo, Audrey Flickinger, Larry and Diane Combes, Becci Van Hoosier, Denise Slaton, Hailey Levi-Campbell, Arthurine Broussard, Joanne Shields, Wendy Eder, Marv and Jan Egeland, Sally Haase, Daniel Grygar, and Bob Vernlund.

The strength of people coming together for a common cause is greater than the strength of one and we at Lord of Life Lutheran Church are the church community that knows how to come together until we reach that final destination of living in a cancer-free world. Together we will make a difference... together we can help make sure that cancer never steals another year of anyone's life.

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

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