



## Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

**Welcome:** Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church. This is a safe space to bring your whole self. If there are ways we can make participation in worship easier for you, we will do our best to accommodate.

**Worship:** *Masks:* DuPage County community level is **LOW**. Since we are at the low level, masks are optional in our building.

*Communion:* All are welcome to share in Holy Communion. Individual packets available near the entrance to the worship center.

*Passing of the Peace:* It is ok to greet those sitting near you. Please remember people have different levels of personal space which may vary from day to day and situation to situation. You can be respectful by asking, "May I hug you?" or "Would you like a handshake."

*Physical Distancing:* It is still important to be aware of distancing. Pews along the sides of the church near the stained-glass windows are for people who want space; please space yourselves accordingly.

*Less touch:* The offering plate is located near the entrance of the worship center.

**For those worshipping from home:** Find a peaceful place to pray, perhaps a table. You will need your communion packet, this service folder, and if your phone is convenient, you can use it to pass the peace. Lighting a candle hallows your worship place. We distribute packets of pre-consecrated bread and wine (gluten free option is available) for those who call the church office. We are here for you!

**Children Welcome:** Kids of all ages are welcome in service, and we celebrate their joyful wiggles and giggles! There are kids bags in the back of the sanctuary.

*Information, service & liturgy instructions are shown in italic or **bold italic** type on the following pages.*

*Portions of the liturgy spoken by the leaders are shown in plain type.*

*Portions of the liturgy spoken by the assembly are shown in **bold type**.*

## **PRELUDE**

### ***Gathering***

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*The assembly stands as they are able.*

### **Thanksgiving For Baptism**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

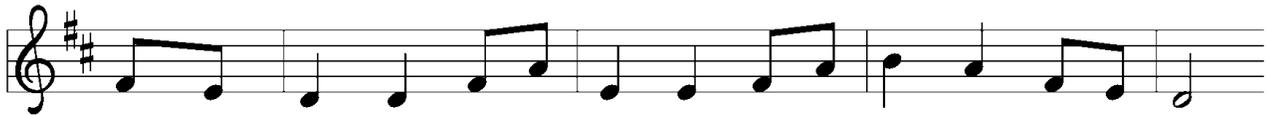
We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**



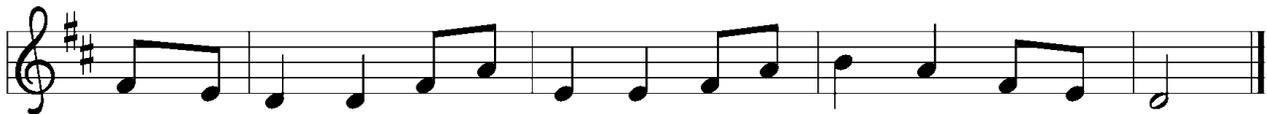
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## ***GREETING***

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**and also with you.**

## ***PRAYER OF THE DAY***

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**Word**

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**First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c**

*Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.*

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus,

better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a-c</sup>Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm: 111**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are your works, O Lord,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to those who fear you,  
remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power of your works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever;

holy and awesome is your name.

**<sup>10</sup>The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.**

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-14**

*Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.*

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

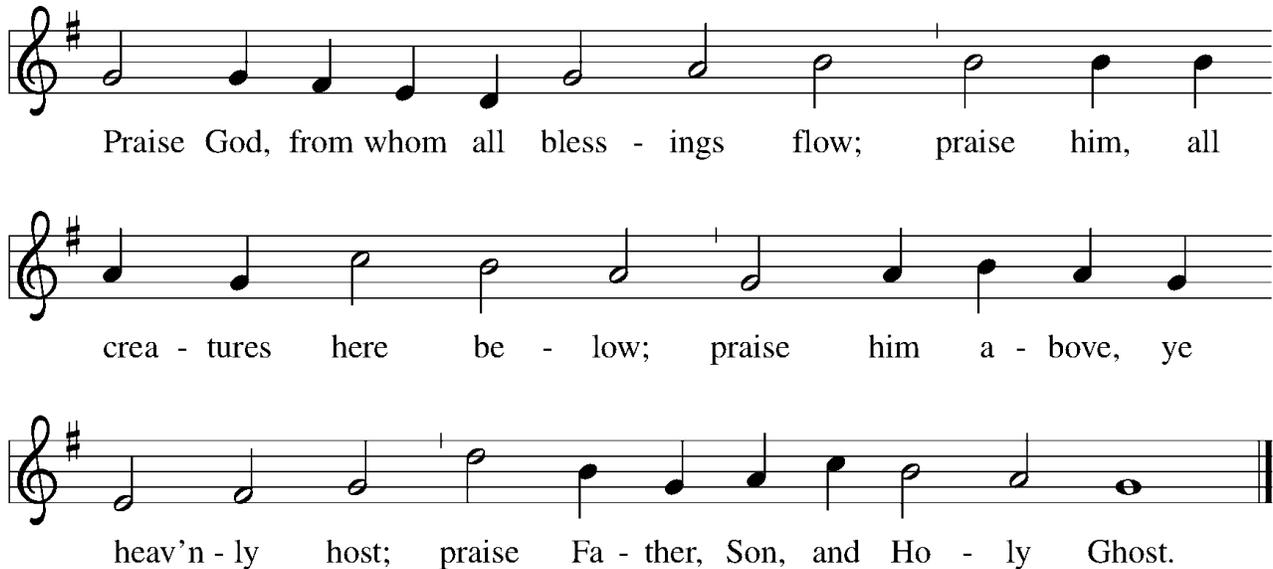
<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Praise God, Whom All Blessings Flow*



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

***THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 17:11-19***

The holy gospel according to Luke, the Seventeenth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*All are seated.*

**SERMON**

*Pastor Adam Dowd*

***Response to the Word***

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*The assembly stands as they are able.*

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

With the whole Church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

*All are seated.*

## ***THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH***

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

Gracious God, we give you thanks for bishops, pastors, and deacons. Inspire leaders of the church to proclaim your mighty deeds, that your saving faith may be known to all. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Majestic God, we give you thanks for land and water, seedtime and harvest. Break down boundaries we construct between ourselves and the rest of your creation. Bring renewal and restoration to places affected by pollution and deforestation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Mighty God, we give you thanks for those in our community, nation, and world who work for justice and peace. Guide those who govern to act on behalf of those marginalized by race, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Merciful God, we give you thanks that you hear the cries of those in need. Restore to community those who are stigmatized by illness, feel rejected, or who live in isolation. Send healing to all who suffer especially Jim, Connie, Marilyn, Roberta, Caryl, Gale, Don, Ron, Nancy and Cor. Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Faithful God, we give you thanks for the healing ministries of this congregation. Equip those who visit, care, and pray for the sick. Give

insight to doctors, nurses, home health aides, and all practitioners of medical arts. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for your faithful people who have gone before us to your glory. Renew our trust in your eternal promises of mercy, redemption, and new life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

### ***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE***

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord with phrases like “Peace be with you.”*

### ***OFFERING AND PRAYER***

#### ***Offering Reflection***

*The offering plate is brought forward as a sign of the good gifts, ourselves included, God has given us.*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



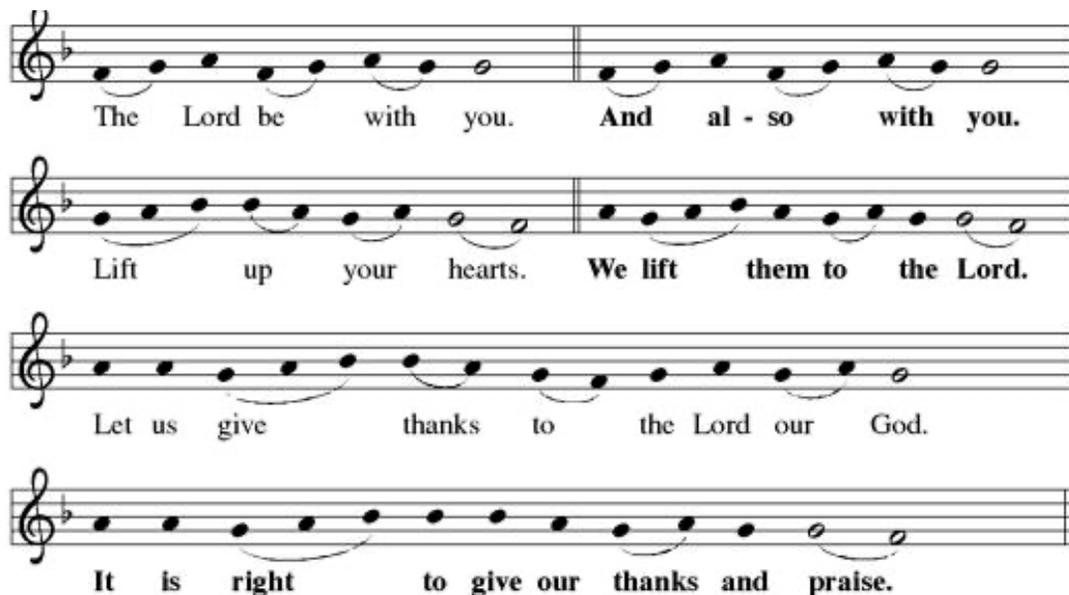
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Gracious God,  
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.  
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,  
and make us ready to share with all in need;  
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.  
**Amen.**

### *Meal*

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*The assembly stands as they are able.*



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE AND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER...join their unending hymn***

*Congregation:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the  
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

*The minister continues the eucharistic prayer.*

*....We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

### ***LORD'S PRAYER***

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we  
forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and  
ever. Amen**

### ***INVITATION TO COMMUNION***

Christ invites you to this table.

Come, taste and see.

### ***COMMUNION***

*All are seated. As we sing Lamb of God, please take time to prepare yourselves and your communion elements.*



# Sending

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## BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy,  
The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

## Beautiful Savior

## Hymn 838



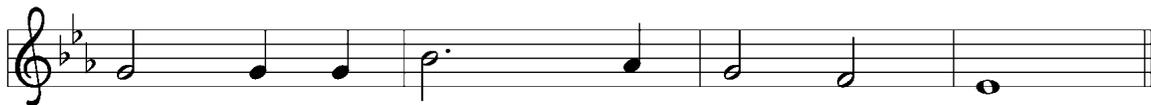
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# POSTLUDE

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We thank you for your ministry here today:

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Pastor Adam Dowd
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Bob Eggert
<b>Organist</b>	Rosita Yao
<b>Guitarist</b>	Christopher Vincent and Pastor Adam Dowd
<b>Reader</b>	Roberta Sejnost
<b>Greeters</b>	Judy Padera
<b>Ushers</b>	Alice Tangorra & Raymond Silhan III
<b>Video</b>	Sherry Sejnost

## Announcements – 10-9-2022

**Bags to Benches** Help reduce plastic pollution! Lord of Life, in conjunction with Trex, a composite decking company, who sponsors a plastic collection challenge where a group that collects five hundred pounds of plastic film receives a free “polylumber” bench from Trex in appreciation for their recycling efforts. Our goal is to collect five hundred pounds of plastic film beginning immediately. The bench will be free to us so let’s collect those bags! Collection boxes are at each church entrance and in the breezeway. **So far, we have collected 346 pounds of plastic. We will be collecting bags until January 3, 2023.**

**Socktober** We are collecting sock, hats, gloves and hand warmers for South Loop Community Table. South Loop Community Table is a weekly community building event, meal, and resource center for unhoused folks in the South Loop. The wooden bin in the narthex is where you may drop off your donations.

**Lunch Bunch** This month we will meet at Chuck’s on **Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm. (TIME CHANGE)** If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Connie Kilros at 708-296-3786

**Outdoor Worship** Our last outdoor worship will be held on **October 19 @ 6:00 pm**. We will be on the east side of the building.

**Movie Night** Come join us on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm for Movie Night. We will be having popcorn and watching the movie Luther, in the sanctuary.

**Please pray for members:**

Jim Eckwall

Connie Allekian

Marilynn Sells

Roberta Sejnost

Caryl Schaer

Gale Dyskie

Don Dibbern

Ron Matta

Nancy Swanson

Cor Peterson

A full list of relatives, friends and military personnel for whom we pray is emailed weekly on Friday. A list will also be printed in the bulletin the first Sunday of the month.

**We Love Your Photos!** We need pictures and artwork for our daily Bible reading and prayers. Please share your photos with us at [lordoflifechurchdarien@gmail.com](mailto:lordoflifechurchdarien@gmail.com)

**Last Week's Giving - \$4730.00**

**Year to Date Operation Deficit as of August 31, 2022 \$36,039.00**

## THIS WEEK AT LORD OF LIFE

Sunday	10/9	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship (Live Streaming)</b>
		<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Refreshment Table</b>
		<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Christian Education</b>
		2:00 PM	Loving Word Worship
Monday	10/10	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Council Meeting</b>
Tuesday	10/11	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch Bunch</b>
		5:15 PM	Overeaters Anonymous
Wednesday	10/12	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
		7:00 PM	One Day at a Time (AA)
Friday	10/14	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Card Group</b>
Saturday	10/15	9:00 AM	Seventh Day Adventist Worship
Sunday	10/16	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship (Live Streaming)</b>
		<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Christian Education</b>
		2:00 PM	Loving Word Worship