

Living Word Lutheran Church LCMS

November 2008 Newsletter
"Communicating the Love of Jesus"



Worship Hours:
Christian Growth Hour: 8:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

Living Word Lutheran Church

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What we aim to do:
Make disciples for Jesus - as we go, wherever we go.
What we aim to be:
A joyful, caring, Christ-centered family of God.

Question for Pastor...

"Are there different 'levels' in heaven - and hell?"



This question came during our new Sunday morning Forum study: *Faith under Fire*. The study takes a 'Point-Counterpoint'-style look at topics where popular culture and God's Word clash. Heaven and hell were both topics we looked at this past month. The consensus of the popular culture is that 'everyone is going to heaven' and that 'there really is no such thing as hell.' Obviously both ideas are far from biblical.

God's Word is very clear on both subjects. Jesus did indeed take the punishment for all sin, making it possible for everyone to be forgiven and enter God's presence for eternity (i.e. heaven). But only those who admit that they need a Savior from sin and trust in Jesus as that Savior actually accept what Jesus did for them. Heaven is comparable to a gift that someone purchased for you and delivered to you. You only reap the benefits of that gift if you accept it, open it and use it. Those who never repent of their sin and trust in Jesus have, in effect, rejected the gift and left it unopened. Heaven was available to them, but they chose to reject it.

The Bible is also clear that there definitely is a place of eternal torment and suffering spent separated from the presence of God, and thus separated from anything good. We call that place 'hell.' Real people end up there - not just your mass-murderer types. People who saw no need for Jesus in this life will get what they chose for eternity: Life without Jesus.

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But what about the question of differing levels of bliss in heaven and differing levels of punishment in hell? Here's the answer from the lcms.org FAQ section.

In its report on The "End Times," the Synod's Commission on Theology and Church Relations says regarding hell: "In both 'body and soul' unbelievers will suffer eternal separation and condemnation in hell (Matt 18:8; 25:46; Mark 9:43; John 3:36; 2 Thess. 1:9; Jude 13; Rev. 14:11). [40] Indescribable torment will be experienced consciously, *the degree determined by the nature of the sins to be punished* (Matt. 11:20-24; 23:15; Luke 12:47-48)."

Regarding heaven and "degrees of glory" the Commission says: "Eternal life is pictured in the Scriptures as a state of never-ending 'blessedness.' This means, on the one hand, that Christians will live forever in perfect freedom from sin, death, and every evil (Is. 25:8; 49:10; 1 Cor. 15:26, 55-57; Rev. 2:7, 11; 20:14; 21:4). At the same time, they will experience the unending joy of being with God in the new heavens and new earth (e.g., Revelation 21-22; Ps. 16:11). Forever eliminated is the possibility of falling away from God. This blessedness will bring with it the joy of being in eternal communion with fellow believers, whom we have reason to believe we shall recognize (cf. Matt. 17:3). And, there will be no limitations or degrees attached to the enjoyment of the happiness to be experienced, *though there will be degrees of glory corresponding to differences of work and fidelity here on earth, producing praise to God but no envy* (see 2 Cor. 9:6; Matt. 20:23)."

Thanks for asking,
Pastor David

Send your questions to pastor@livingwordlutheran.net

November Discipleship Verse...

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalms 100:4-5

Operation Christmas Child...

(Shoe Boxes)

In the next few weeks millions of caring people like you will be praying for children in the poorest areas of the world and filling shoe boxes with gifts for them. **On Sunday, November 23, we will dedicate to the Lord all the shoe boxes that we collect.** The next day they will be delivered to the Youth for Christ office in Willmar. From there they will be transported to a large distribution center in the Twin Cities where they will be sorted and packaged for shipping to locations in over 100 countries.

Franklin Graham, President of Samaritan's Purse, says, ***"Sometimes people ask me how much difference a shoe box can make in the life of a child who is poor, sick, hungry or traumatized by war. I tell them that the gifts are only the beginning. Church partners who hand out the boxes on our behalf also reach out to the children and their families, sharing the hope of the Gospel. By God's grace, every year hundreds of thousands of these children receive Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior through the Gospel storybooks and discipleship program."***

"Let me give you an example. In 1993 in snowy Bosnia, an 11-year-old girl named Lejla received one of our very first shoe box gifts. 'That's when I knew God loved me,' she said. Raised in a non-Christian home, she didn't know who Jesus was. When one of our team shared the Gospel with her, Lejla prayed to accept Christ as her Lord and Savior. Today, living in Pennsylvania after marrying a soldier who was in Bosnia on a peacekeeping mission, Lejla Allison is packing boxes for over 50 children, and we are planning to take her back to Bosnia this winter to help hand out gifts and minister to children in her homeland."

You can help with this special ministry by packing a shoe box for a girl or boy (you choose the age). The display at church has a list of suggested items to pack. Bring the shoe box to church on or before our Dedication Sunday. Thank you for your partnership in sharing the Gospel!

Learn more at www.samaritanspurse.org/



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Thot for a day: Which side of the turkey has the most feathers? The outside.

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So That The World May Know...

The Building Committee is currently in the process of obtaining the necessary building permits from Kandiyohi County. They are also still making final determinations about the exact location of the building and parking lot on the site. Soil samples will then need to be taken from the spot the building will sit. The architect is collecting bids in order to give us a "ballpark" idea of the cost. We will be determining the amount of loan we are comfortable with - and any design changes that will need to be made due to cost factors.

Obviously there are a lot of decisions to be made. Please continue to keep your Building Committee in your prayers. Pray that we would simply follow where God is leading. We do not want to run ahead of Him, nor do we want to lag behind Him.

MEXICAN DINNER FUND RAISER

We served approximately 110 people and raised \$825 after expenses. Thrivent matched \$698, so we totaled over \$1500 for the fund raiser. Thanks to everyone who made the dinner a success!

To date we have received \$66,863 on the way to our goal of \$190,000.

How would you change if you spent just 15 minutes a day getting to know God through His Word?

Join us in finding out.

We are reading through the Bible together using Today's Light Bible Reading Program. The Today's Light Bible is divided into 15-minute daily readings with an introductory paragraph before each reading and a summary paragraph after each. Check out the daily readings on pages 14 and 15 in this newsletter and make a commitment to find out how God will change you through reading just 15 minutes a day.



E-mail Humor...

A Gift From God...

When my now 14-year-old daughter was 3 and her younger brother was getting into everything, she asked, "Mommy, can we put him back, now?"

Deciding to take this opportunity as a teaching moment in how siblings should treat each other, I explained to her that we could not put him back - that her brother was a gift from God.

She looked up at me with her big blue eyes and responded, "I understand, Mommy. God didn't want him either."

E-Mail Wisdom...

Afraid of the Dark?

by Bob Tasler

When I was a small boy, I was for a time afraid of the dark, probably because I had such an active imagination. Now and then at night my Dad would tell me to go turn off the pump or check on the chickens and some such thing, and since it was already dark I'd have to walk 100-200 feet across a dark and foreboding farm yard. We had a yard light on a fairly high pole, but it cast big shadows all over. And who knew what dangers lurked in those shadows?

One particular moonless summer night I was headed out to the barn to retrieve something and paused when I stepped into the big shadow behind our granary. I knew Dad had parked some machinery near there and didn't want to run into it and break a leg. Then I realized something was there in the shadows and I couldn't see! I waited for a moment for my eyes to adjust and just at that moment something cold and slimy touched my hand...

A monster! Yikes! My heart pumped about a gallon of adrenalin and I jerked my hand away and ran like the wind, letting out a pitiful holler. I ran that 40 yard dash back to the house in record time, but not before our old dog Zeke got there ahead of me. You see, it was his wet

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Thot for a day: You cannot achieve the impossible without attempting the absurd.

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nose I'd felt and I'm sure I scared him more than he scared me. Our old dog was a monster, and he didn't even know it! The next morning, of course, Zeke was by the front door wagging his tail, and the yard was sunny and there was no monster, and I felt a little foolish at being so frightened. It was a new day and everything was okay.

Right now some of us are feeling something cold and slimy touch us in the dark. It's a disease we have, or it's a bad relationship, or it's the ugliness of politics, or it's a shaky economy. Part of the problem is real, but part is imagined because we can't see into the shadows.

God is with us both the night and day. Now is the time to stop and realize that life is not as bad as we think it is. God, who is with us in the sunny daylight is also with us in the dark shadows of the night. Same good Lord, same Friend Jesus, same caring God with His same heart of love and mercy. He who brings us through the day will also get us through the night.

We just need to trust Him and not be afraid.

Rev. Bob Tasler (LCMS) lives in Castle Rock, CO. He writes a weekly message like the one above and emails it to hundreds of people around the country free.



Thanks to Jay Benfield

11-24-2005

HELLO, YOU HAVE REACHED THE SALVATION
HOTLINE ... ARE YOU READY TO MAKE A
DECISION TODAY?

Thanksgiving Eve Worship...

A Special Thank-Offering Will Be Collected

God commanded the Israelites to come to the temple once a year for a joyful celebration of the blessings God provided in the harvest. This harvest festival was called The Feast of Weeks.

Then celebrate the Feast of Weeks to the Lord your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the Lord your God has given you. Deuteronomy 16:10

In keeping with the example of the Israelites, this Thanksgiving Eve we will come together for a special joyful celebration of the blessings God has provided us. Each of us will be encouraged to bring a special freewill offering in proportion to how God has blessed us this past year.

If each of us thanked God for His blessings by giving Him a special thank-offering of just \$2 for each week this past year we could make up most of our current budget deficit.

Please pray about your Thank-offering proportion. Use the special Thank-offering envelope when you come on Thanksgiving Eve. If you aren't able to be here that Wednesday, you can give your Thank-Offering either the Sunday before or after Thanksgiving.

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand."

King David in 1 Chronicles 29:14

Give us Your Favorite Songs of Praise and Thanksgiving

Wednesday evening, **November 26**, we will gather to thank God for all that He is and all that He does. Our verse of the month reminds us to enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise, so in addition to our Thankofferings, we will praise God with lots of songs.

We'd like to know which songs of praise and thanksgiving are your favorites. They can be traditional hymns or contemporary songs. We may not be able to use them all on Thanksgiving Eve, but we will try to include as many as we can. And we will use the rest in coming weeks.

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That for a day: An atheist is a person who has no invisible means of support.

LWML News...

Bake Sale

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be organizing Living Word's participation in the Kandi Mall Bake Sale on December 6. We need people to donate these baked goods:

Lefsa, Krumkake, Rosettes, Bread, Donuts

Please talk to one of the LWML members if you can make some of these items. Thanks!

Election of Officers

Recently re-elected to serve Living Word's LWML group

President:	Janet Towner
Vice President:	Tammy Fuglie
Secretary:	Bonnie Hansen
Treasurer:	Lu Kiehm
Christian Growth:	Violet Dauk



Youth News...

Senior High Bible Study Needs an adult leader - please talk to Pam Johnson if you can help.

All Stars 4 Jesus

(1st - 6th Grade)

Wed., Nov. 5: A fun evening for 1-6th Graders

The Confirmation Students will again assist with Craft and Game time. Pastor will lead the Bible story time. Rides can be provided and friends can come. Just let us know. We'll start at 6:30 and conclude by 8:00

T-Shirts Available

We have three *Living Word* logo t-shirts left over from our shirt order. Check the mailbox table for colors and sizes. Checks can be made to "Living Word"

Upcoming Schedules...

If you aren't able to serve on your Sunday, please call someone and switch with them. Thanks!

Scripture Readers

Nov 2	Mark Fuglie	796-6975
Nov 9	Tammy Fuglie	796-6975
Nov 16	Lu Kiehm	979-0097
Nov 23	Janet Towner	444-0125
Nov 30	Youth	

Dec 7	Tammy Wachter	796-6222
Dec 14	Duane Hansen	796-5605
Dec 21	Scott Wachter	796-6222
Dec 28	Bryson Wachter	894-6378

Fellowship Servers

Nov 2	Lu Kiehm	979-0097
Nov 9	Tris Mische	354-9046
Nov 16	Linda Dilley	235-0234
Nov 23	Bonnie Hansen	796-5605
Nov 30	Youth	

Dec 7	Wendy Robbin	354-9049
Dec 14	Nancy Jo Wendt	354-2398
Dec 21	Donna Peterson	354-5247
Dec 28	Pam Johnson	354-3545

Usher & Greeter Schedule

	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeter</u>
Nov 2	Mona Hjelle/Pam Johnson	Lu
Nov 9	Jamie Iverson & Lonny Robbin	Laurel
Nov 16	Charlie & Heather Carver	Janet
Nov 23	Duane Hansen/Jack Kuppich	Violet
Nov 30	Youth	
Dec 7	Mark Fuglie/Chuck Weflen	Lu
Dec 14	Joe Johnson/Anthony Dauk	Laurel
Dec 21	Jason Miller/ Kevin Welsh	Janet
Dec 28	Janet Towner/Linda Dilley	Violet

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Thot for a day: Anytime things appear to be going better, you have overlooked something...

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Acolyte

Dec 7	Noah Welsh
Dec 14	Michelle Johnson
Dec 21	Phillip Iverson
Dec 28	Eve Bajari

Sunday Morning Study...

Faith Under Fire :

"Tough Faith Questions"

Using video clips from the popular PAX-TV program *Faith Under Fire*, this study features spirited discussions between well-respected Christians, people of other faiths, or people with no faith at all on important spiritual and social issues. Host Lee Strobel, best-selling author of *The Case for Christ* and *The Case for Faith*, provides additional comments to guide small group discussion.



The "Tough Faith Questions" 4-session study will deal with:

- 11/9: The Trinity
- 11/16: Islam
- 11/23: Pain and Suffering
- 11/30: Forgiveness

The Third 4-session study

"Faith and Jesus" will address these topics:

- Jesus
- The Resurrection
- Universalism
- The Supernatural

NOTE: Men's Study Change

We will meet the
1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month
during Nov. & Dec. at 6:30 p.m.

November 2008 - Living Word Church Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov 2 8:45 Growing in Christ Hour Adult Forum - <i>Faith Under Fire</i> Sunday School 10:00 Worship w/Lord's Supper 11:15 Fellowship & Choir practice 6:00 New Neighbor Visits	Nov 3 Pastors' Conf. @ Wood Lake	Nov 4 ELECTION DAY NOON Bible Study @ Geneva Olson's Malachi	Nov 5 Noon Study: Boundaries 6:15 Meal 6:30 All Stars 4 Jesus 6:30 MEN'S STUDY "No Ordinary Men" 7:15 YOUTH Mtg	Nov 6	Nov 7	Nov 8
9 8:45 Growing in Christ Hour Adult Forum - <i>Faith Under Fire</i> Sunday School 10:00 Worship Cody Corona-Wendt Baptism 11:15 Fellowship Outreach Team mtg after f-ship	10	11 NOON Bible Study @ Geneva Olson's 6:30 Building Committee	12 Noon Study: Boundaries 6:15 Meal 6:30 Confirmation	13 7:00 Elders Team LWML	14	15 Youth + Candy-making + Bonfire @ Peter Erickson's
16 8:45 Growing in Christ Hour Adult Forum - <i>Faith Under Fire</i> Sunday School 10:00 Worship w/Lord's Supper 11:15 Fellowship & Choir practice 6:00 New Neighbor Visits	17	18 NOON Bible Study @ Geneva Olson's	19 Noon Study: Boundaries 6:15 Meal 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 MEN'S STUDY "No Ordinary Men"	20 7:00 Mission & Ministry Team	21	22
23 8:45 Growing in Christ Hour Adult Forum - <i>Faith Under Fire</i> Sunday School 10:00 Worship Mikala Miller Baptism	24	25 NOON Bible Study @ Geneva Olson's	26 Noon Study: Boundaries 6:15 Meal 6:30 Confirmation 7:00 Thanksgiving Eve Worship	27 THANKSGIVING	28	29
30 YOUTH LEAD WORSHIP 8:45 Growing in Christ Hour Adult Forum - <i>Faith Under Fire</i> Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:15 Fellowship	Dec 1 Pastors' Conf. @ Wilmar	Dec 2 NOON Bible Study @ Geneva Olson's	Dec 3 Noon Study: Boundaries 6:15 Meal 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 MEN'S STUDY "No Ordinary Men" 7:30 Advent Worship	Dec 4	Dec 5	Dec 6 Bake Sale @ Kandi Mall 11:00 - 3:00 Bell Ringing @ Kandi Mall

November - 15-Minutes-A-Day

TODAY'S LIGHT BIBLE READING PROGRAM: We read some selections from the OT "wisdom literature" then move into the prophecy of Isaiah - the OT book with the most prophecies of the Messiah. (In parentheses are verses to focus on if you are short on time that day)

Nov 2 Use the time today to worship and catch up on any readings you missed

Nov 3 Proverbs 22:1-23:35 (23:1-35)

Nov 4 Proverbs 24:1-25:28 (24:23-34)

Nov 5 Proverbs 26:1-27:27 (27:1-27)

Nov 6 Proverbs 28:1-29:27 (29:1-27)

Nov 7 Proverbs 30:1-31:31 (31:1-31)

Nov 8 Ecclesiastes 1:1-2:26 (1:1-16)

Nov 9 Use the time today to worship and catch up on any readings you missed

Nov 10 Ecclesiastes 3:1-4:16 (3:1-22)

Nov 11 Ecclesiastes 5:1-6:12 (5:1-20)

Nov 12 Ecclesiastes 7:1-8:17 (7:19-29)

Nov 13 Ecclesiastes 9:1-10:20 (9:1-18)

Nov 14 Ecclesiastes 11:1-12:14 (12:1-14)

Nov 15 Lamentations 1:1-22 (1:1-7,20-22)

Nov 16 Use the time today to worship and catch up on any readings you missed

Nov 17 Lamentations 2:1-3:66 (3:22-36)

Nov 18 Lamentations 4:1-5:22 (5:1-22)

Today's Light Devotional Readings

Nov 19 Isaiah 1:1-2:22 (1:1-20)

Nov 20 Isaiah 3:1-4:6 (4:1-6)

Nov 21 Isaiah 5:1-30 (5:1-10)

Nov 22 Isaiah 6:1-13 (6:1-8)

Nov 23 Use the time today to worship and catch up on any readings you missed

Nov 24 Isaiah 7:1-8:22 (8:11-18)

Nov 25 Isaiah 9:1-10:34 (9:1-7,10:15-27)

Nov 26 Isaiah 11:1-12:6 (12:1-6)

Nov 27 Isaiah 13:1-20:6 (14:1-32)

Nov 28 Isaiah 21:1-23:18 (22:1-25)

Nov 29 Isaiah 24:1-25:12 (25:1-2)

Nov 30 Use the time today to worship and catch up on any readings you missed

Dec 1 Isaiah 26:1-27:13 (27:1-6)

Dec 1 Isaiah 28:1-29:24 (29:1-23)

Dec 3 Isaiah 30:1-31:9 (30:1-26)

Dec 4 Isaiah 32:1-20 (32:12-20)

Dec 5 Isaiah 33:1-35:10 (35:1-10)

Dec 6 Isaiah 36:1-39:8 (38:1-20)

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That for a day: The two hardest things to handle in life are failure and success.

That for a day:

[illegible]

To find out, fill in the clues,
and read the answer down from
here:

1. Knife and
2. Big, scary, monster human
3. Opposite of tie up
4. Famous NZ rugby shield
5. Something you do with your tongue
6. Big animal with big ears
7. Brother of a princess
8. Beautiful sky arch during showers
9. Another word for 'bad smell'
10. Handheld rain-deterrent
11. Thing worn on the feet
12. Small rodent with a long tail
13. What we hear with
14. Sewing tool

[illegible]

ANSWER: see 2Kings 7:3

Simple Ways to Give Your Spiritual Life A Lift...

There are many situations in life that you didn't choose to be in. There are many things you wish would never have happened. (For example, no matter what election results we get this Tuesday, roughly half the country will be saying "This wasn't my choice.")

But there is a choice you ALWAYS have - even in situations you didn't choose:

You always have the choice of how you will respond. Always.

Here are two basic response choices you always have:

1) To give thanks for what God has given OR

2) To complain about what he hasn't given.

It doesn't take a rocket-scientist to figure out which choice gives you a lift and which choice brings you (and everyone around you) down.

In the Old Testament, people would set up piles of stones to help them remember what God had done for them at that place. (e.g. When they would pass that place, they'd see the pile of stones and it would remind them of what God had done.)

Don't wait until Thanksgiving Day to give thanks. Start right now, so that by the time November 27 rolls around, you'll be into the thanksgiving habit and out of the complaining habit.

Take a moment to turn to the "My Thank You, God" List on page 16 and write down the things God *has* given you. Don't forget the spiritual blessings like forgiveness and eternal life. And don't complain about what God *hasn't* given. Instead, **thank him for what he hasn't given - because if it was good for you at this time, he'd have given it**

Cultivating an attitude of gratitude will give your spiritual life a lift!

Opportunities to Share the Love of Jesus In Practical Ways...

Be part of our 'Make-a-Meal' Team

Do you have a heart for helping people in need? We're in the process of updating our list of people who can serve as either "meal makers" and "meal takers" (or both). Our "Make A Meal" program is a great way to show the love of Jesus. Please talk to Pastor David if you can serve on our Make A Meal Team. Thanks!

Make Some Cookies for New Neighbor Visits

Our "New Neighbor" Visitors welcome people who have recently moved into the area with a basket of 'goodies' that includes cookies/bars. If you like to bake it would be a big help to have more folks provide cookies or bars for our visits. Talk to Bryson if you can serve the Lord in this way. Thanks!

"Secret Paul" Prayer Partner Program

Reminders:

- 1) Please remember to pray for your partner.
- 2) Send them a card this week letting them know you are praying: (Post cards are available on the ushers' table.)

Help with our Youth Ministry

We need an adult who would be willing to lead a Bible Study for Sr. High Youth. Please talk to Youth Director Pam Johnson if you can serve the Lord in this important role..

Bell-Ringer Outreach

The Salvation Army would like our assistance in taking a turn at bell-ringing. We plan on ringing at the Kandi Mall (movie theater entrance) from 11am-3pm on Saturday, December 6.

The Salvation Army Christmas kettle has been a familiar part of the Christmas scene in America for over 100 years! It is their major fundraising effort for the year and is crucial to their ability to continue serving the needs of

Kandiyohi County. Not only does it support the special seasonal projects such as food baskets and toys for low income families, but it enables the Salvation Army to provide assistance to area families throughout the year.

The more people we have ringing, the shorter the "shifts" can be. Please sign up at church. Thanks!

Help Support HEIDY

Heidy is a young girl from Ecuador that the confirmation students (and others) have been supporting through Compassion, Int'l. Heidy lives with her father and mother. She is responsible for caring for children, making beds and running errands. Her father is sometimes employed as a laborer and her mother maintains the home. There are three children in the family. Singing, playing house, and art are Heidy's favorite activities. Heidy attends primary school as well as church activities, Bible class and Vacation Bible School.

Here is the most recent letter Heidy wrote to us:

Dear friends,

Hi, how are you doing? I send cordial greetings to you all. I want to let you know that I am attending to the Sunday School and to the Bible class of my church. I am learning the Bible books and about the fruits of the Holy Spirit.

The first day of the school year I introduced myself and suddenly I had two friends. Little by little, I have gotten more and more friends. We are receiving very good teachings. We are about to present the school exams of the first quarter. I am studying very much and making my best effort to achieve good grades. Thank you for all the support you are giving me everyday.

Would you like to come to Ecuador some day?

I ask you to please pray for my siblings and me.

I say bye with love.

Heidy Maylis Vizueta Plas

If you can help us support Heidy please make checks payable to Compassion, Int'l and place them in the "Heidy" box. THANKS!

Opportunities to Use Your Talents...

We need someone to:

Plan and Organize Fellowship Activities

One of the goals we set for the coming year is to provide more opportunities for members to get to know each other outside of church. In order to accomplish that goal we need someone who enjoys organizing activities that "get people together." Things like 'fun nights' or service projects or outings. Please talk to Pastor David if you would like to help in this way. Thanks!

Become Part of the Living Word's LWML

(Lutheran Women's Missionary League)

For Christ-Centered Women of All Ages

The Mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League: is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God, so that she is able to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

The Living Word LWML meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 for devotion and mission/ministry planning. Please join us next month.



All I'm saying is, would it cause any major damage to say "Thanks?"

Offer to God the sacrifice of thanksgiving Psalm 50:14

Opportunities for Growth...

Today's Light Bible Reading

(See the schedule of readings on pages 14 & 15 in this Newsletter)

Parenting Young Children

Sunday mornings during Sunday School

A special class for parents of pre-school through 4th grade children

Confirmation - Wednesday evenings

6:15 Meal 6:30 Confirmation studies

Tuesday Noon Bible Study

At Geneva Olson's.

Malachi the last Old Testament prophet

Wednesday NOON study:

Boundaries: Setting limits in relationships

Sunday Morning Study

Please join us at 9:00

Starting OCTOBER 12: Faith Under Fire (see page 11)

Men's Study: "No Ordinary Men"

CHANGE: We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month during Nov. & Dec. at 6:30 p.m.

Youth (7-12 Grades)

Meet the first Wednesday of each month from 7:15- 8:15

All Stars 4 Jesus (1-6th Grades)

Meet the first Wednesday of each month @ 6:30

(Meal @ 6:15)

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Meets Thurs, Nov. 13 @ 7:00 pm

Thanks...

...to everyone who helped with the "Trunk or Treat" on Halloween and the Battery Giveaway on the following Saturday.

Upcoming Events...

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

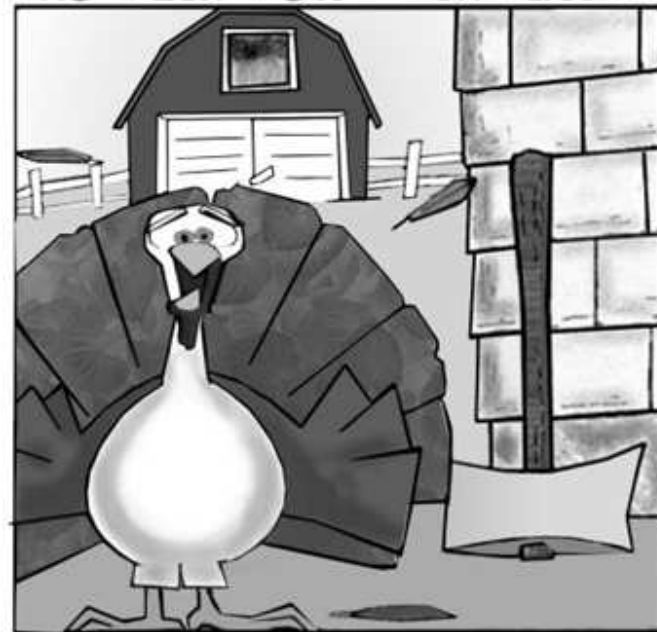
Wednesday, November 26th @ 7:00

See page 8 in this newsletter for more information.

Christmas Eve Program

Christmas seems like a long way off, but it really is "just around the corner." Our Sunday School Christmas Program will again be the Sunday prior to Christmas, (December 21) at 4:00 p.m. **The first practice will be Saturday, NOVEMBER 22.** We'll hand out parts and get familiar with the program that week. We will not practice the following week (Thanksgiving weekend), but will practice each Saturday in December.

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



A PSALM FOR TURKEYS - Let us come into his presence with 'Thanksgiving'; let us make a joyful 'GOBBLE, GOBBLE' with songs of praise. **Ps 95:2**