



WEEKLY BULLETIN

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DEUTERONOMY 6 IN ACTION: HOUSEHOLD WELL CELEBRATION

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Amy creates content and training support for the lifeGroup leaders and 1:1 disciple-makers and helps connect people who are interested in participating to a group or 1:1 relationship.

There is a passage in Deuteronomy 6 that gives instructions to Households, perhaps you are familiar with it:

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates." Deuteronomy 6:4-9

One of our Household WELL's, Shane and Amanda Fisher, recently took this passage and made it very real in their home. They did not write God's word on the doorframe of their house or the gates, but they did write it on their stairs! If you know Amanda, one of the things she loves besides her husband, her dog, her family, and playing trumpet is Mickey Mouse and all things Disney. She thought that their staircase upon entering their home looked too plain and said she had an idea for what to paint on it. Her husband Shane of course guessed that it would be Mickey Mouse and she said, "No, this is even better than Mickey." We would agree 100% that what God's Word says about love in 1 Corinthians 13 is indeed better than Mickey Mouse.

What an amazing witness for everyone who enters the Fisher home and what a wonderful reminder to live out that kind of love, only possible of course by receiving that perfect love from Jesus to give away to others! Thanks for sharing this with us Shane and Amanda!



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HIGHER GROUND

equipping our youth with life-long skills to be followers of Jesus.

COMING UP FOR YOUTH:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH: 6:30-8PM

Come recharge and refresh with a night of looking at how precious we are to God. Some creative activities and fun conversation will help us focus on our true identity.



SCAN THE CODE TO CONNECT
TO OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!



SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH: 5PM-6:30PM

This week students will dive into the last petition of the Lord's Prayer. We will look at what it means to ask God to protect us from evil and the tools God equips us with for our protection.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT EMILY POWERS: EPOWERS@LIVELIFETOGETHER.COM



Our Adopt a School Partner is:

LEOPOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WAYS TO SERVE:

If you want to volunteer at Leopold in the classroom you will need to go to this website and follow the steps necessary. They are in need of people to read with students and help with classroom celebrations.

Leopold has received a Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Grant so they receive those daily and are in need of someone from **8:30 - 9:30am Tuesday - Friday** to help sort and count out the amount needed for each class. Even if you could take one of those days it would be greatly appreciated.

Questions? Contact Amy Meyer: ameyer@livelifetogether.com

Kids **CONNECTION**

Kids Connection is for children 4th grade and under, and their parents. Kids learn bible stories through games, crafts and songs. Kids build strong relationships with each other while learning truths about Jesus. 5th and 6th grade students are invited to attend this class as junior helpers. Contact Emily Powers at epowers@livelifetogether.com.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH: 10:15AM-11:30AM

We are wrapping up our month-long look at Joseph with a movie and games.

MESSAGE & NOTES

ALIVE AND ACTIVE

Hebrews 4:12-16

Focus: God's Word is described as an instrument so precise that it could even cut the most invasive cancer (sin) out of a body without harming any of the healthy cells. And God, the surgeon, can see and knows every cell in our bodies and doesn't make mistakes. This surgery is not limited to the wealthiest, nor is there a waiting list, and everyone has an invitation.

WORD

Read John 15:1-8

What is the picture of health in these verses?

What does remaining connected look like?

What is the significance of verse 5 for you today?

What step do you want to take to be growing in your relationship with Jesus?

PRAY

Ask Jesus to help you remain/abide in him. And ask that we would grow and bear much fruit, that more and more people would be connected to life in Jesus - the True Vine.

LOVE

What is one thing you can do this week to help someone else remain connected to Jesus?

CALENDAR & EVENTS



UPCOMING:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH: 9AM WORSHIP

Join us for our in-person and online worship on Sunday at 9am. Join us online at lifelifetogether.com/thisweek. You will find the livestream, the bulletin, the lifeLines and all that you need for the week, on this page. We look forward to worshipping together.

SUNDAYS JANUARY 28TH: OFF THIS WEEK, 2*22: ACTIVATE YOUR BIBLE READING

Jumpstart 2024 by reigniting your passion for God's Word. We'll meet for the next two months each Sunday after Worship, excluding the last Sundays of the month. Join us for the WELL Connected gathering in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAYS, 9AM CHECK-IN, 9:30AM DISCUSSION MOM TO MOM

Join us on Wednesday mornings. We'll be starting a new Right Now Media series on January 10th. We are a group of moms who gather together weekly to support each other, share struggles and joys, pray, and learn what God has to say about our role as moms. Children are welcome! We hope to see you there. Questions? Contact Amy Meyer ameyer@lifelifetogether.com.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH: AFTER WORSHIP WELL CONNECTED GATHERING

Join us for WELL Connected as we talk about how our households can be Sustained by the Word in practical ways.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH: 5PM & 6PM ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER & WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us on Ash Wednesday at 5pm for a soup supper and stay afterward for worship at 6pm.

SEE THE BACK PAGE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES



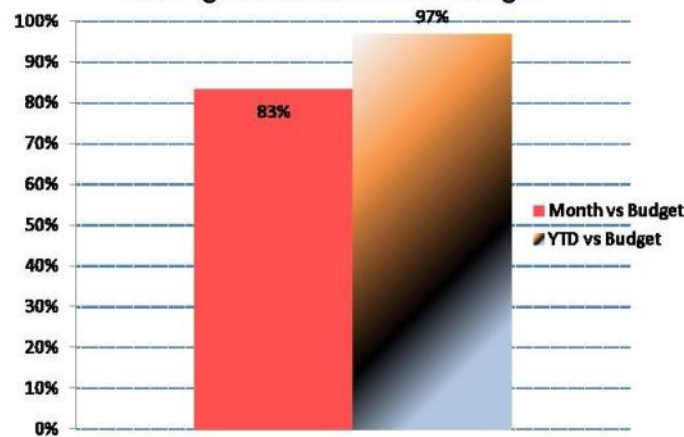
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Offerings: Month and YTD vs. Budget



Tithes and Offerings as of December 31st, 2023					
December Received	\$	62,416	2023 Received	\$	593,353
December Goal		74,934	2023 Goal		612,376
December Total Last Year		75,847	2022 Total		661,724
Monthly Goal Shortfall		12,519	Annual Goal Shortfall		19,023

Additional Information as of December 31st, 2023			
Line of Credit Balance	ZERO	2022 Loan Balance	\$ 76,229
Last Balance: 11/01/2023		Last Paid: 12/26/23	

Church and Preschool Finances for October 2023					
	2023	2022		2023	2022
Church Rev.	512,902	475,566	Preschool Rev.	131,169	115,335
Church Exp.	578,583	552,154	Preschool Exp.	121,885	110,096
Net Income	(65,681)	(76,588)	Net Income	9,283	5,239
YOY Difference	10,907		YOY Difference	4,045	

BIRTHDAYS

1/28 Ella Verri
 1/29 Morgan Bohrer
 1/29 Greta Look
 1/29 Wayne Mixdorf
 1/30 Shane Fisher
 1/31 Norah Schudlach
 1/31 Anna Strange
 1/31 Maddy Strange
 2/1 Dan Luck
 2/2 Vivian Schardt
 2/3 Denise Knudsen

Birthdays and Anniversaries for this week! If your special day does not appear, please contact the church office to update your records.

OUR VISION: STRATEGY

HOW ARE WE DOING IT?



Come to lifeWorship! We join together to focus on Jesus, offer Him praise, and allow Him the space to speak to us. lifeWorship is an exciting part of *the Church* experience. Join us in lifeWorship every week and experience the amazing blessing of freedom that comes in humbling yourself before God.



Connect to lifeGroup! At *the Church* we really do "live life together." In lifeGroup, we meet weekly in each other's homes to share a meal and share our lives as we grow in Jesus. Our connection to other people is at the heart of our Christian experience. Authentic connections happen most effectively in smaller groups where there is opportunity for dialogue and relationships, and our primary place for these authentic connections is lifeGroup.



Commit to lifeServe! At *the Church* we offer our time, talents, gifts, and abilities to serve God, serve His church and serve others. It's easy to come to church only for what we can get out of it, but the Bible says that each of us has something to give back. There is a need each of us can answer. We want you to experience Life in Jesus to the fullest, and encourage you to take time to give yourself away in ministry.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO CONNECT WITH US!

COMMUNION

If you're a guest, you're welcome to attend the Lord's Supper with us this morning. We only ask of you what God asks of us all - that you can answer 'yes' to the following questions:

- ♦ Have I been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
- ♦ Do I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ Jesus?
- ♦ Do I believe that Jesus is God's Son and my personal Savior?
- ♦ Do I believe that Jesus' true body and blood are present in the bread and wine?
- ♦ Do I desire by the Holy Spirit's power to live a Godly life?

If you have questions, please feel free to speak with a Pastor, a Worship Assistant, or someone sitting near you.



SERVICE TIMES:

the Church
2833 Raritan Rd.
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Combined Traditional & Exalt Worship
9:00AM [In-Person & Online]

ACTIVATE FAITH...Sustained: Bible - Alive and Active [January 28th,2023]