



WORD OF LIFE
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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Some Simple Things to Pray for During Advent

1. Pray for attentiveness to what truly matters, without being distracted by trivial things.
2. Pray for opportunities to learn something new regularly.
3. Pray for discernment of how God would like you to set your priorities and the ability to focus on them consistently to fulfill His purposes in your life.
4. Pray for the grace to be able to rest, become aware of God's presence, and enjoy it.
5. Pray for strong relationships with other people in the bond of loving community.
6. Pray for peace in all situations, no matter what the circumstances.
7. Pray for an enlivened imagination that helps you contribute to the world in creative ways.
8. Pray for freedom from all that burdens you - past mistakes, fears, etc.
9. Pray for joy and a sense of humor.
10. Pray for confidence in God's love for you and trust in His power to work things out for the best in your life.
11. Pray for a clear mind and the ability to clearly communicate what you value to others.
12. Pray for purity so you can grow as a person and encounter God more fully.
13. Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance.
14. Pray for a genuine awareness of God's grace in your life and the humility to extend grace to others.

~ Edited from Whitney Hople's "[Pray for Simplicity this Advent](https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/prayer/prayers/12-advent-prayers.html)" from <https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/prayer/prayers/12-advent-prayers.html>

*Please see the back of this newsletter for the Advent & Christmas schedule for our three association churches. All are invited and welcome to join!

Marketing and Outreach News

If you have friends or family who are looking for a school home either for second semester or next school year, please have them call or email Megan Arnold at 314-832-1244, extension 12 or marnold@wordoflifeschool.net.

Due to growth in our preschool program, we are expanding come January! We will be opening a Monday, Wednesday, Friday Pre-K3 morning class at St. Lucas. If you would like to know more about this, please contact either Mrs. Arnold at 314-832-1244, extension 12 or marnold@wordoflifeschool.net if you would like to know more.

Joy-Worthy News

Thanks to the generosity and hard work of many Word of Life families, we raised over \$6000 and profited nearly \$3000 from our Andoro & Sons fundraiser! Thank you! Proceeds are going to support office technology updates and school gym improvements. Congrats to the kindergarten class for being our top-selling class!

School Mission Statement

Word of Life Lutheran School is committed to providing a high-quality educational program in an environment where Christ prevails, where a child's human and spiritual needs are met, and where love, dignity, and professional accountability are valued, promoted, and implemented.

Word of Life PTL News

*The Word of Life PTL would like to thank each of you who has come out to support us at the recent Restaurant Nights. The money raised allows the PTL to support Word of Life teachers by adding educational materials and resources within each of the classrooms, as well as, providing learning experiences for the entire school. We wholeheartedly thank you for your continued support!!!

*Mark your calendars because on December 11th, from open to close, the PTL will be sponsoring yet another EAT-and-EARN at Raising Cane's on Hampton (4320 Hampton Ave.). Please make sure to mention WOL at the time of purchase.

*The annual Word of Life Trivia Night with Silent Auction will be held on February 24th at WOL in the main campus gym. Doors will open at 6:30 and trivia will begin at 7:00pm. It will be \$20 per person with 8 people per team. Individual registrations are welcome as well. Outside food and drinks are welcome. Adult beverages allowed. Soda and water will be provided. The theme is Under The Big Top (Circus) and a table decorating contest will take place. To register or for more information please email Rachel Haywood at haywoodrachel@rsdmo.org



2017 – 2018 Dress-Down Days

Every Friday, students can wear Word of Life spirit wear on top, but still need to wear everything else in dress code OR they can pay \$2.00 for a complete dress-down day. The money collected will go to help with lunch assistance. In addition to the options above, all students can have a complete dress-down day **for free** on the following dates:

- Friday, December 15th**
- Friday, January 19th**
- Friday, February 23rd**
- Friday, March 16th**
- Friday, April 27th**
- Friday, May 25th**

Homeroom teachers can decide to remove the privilege if it is misused

2017 Advent & Christmas Schedule

Ascension Lutheran Church
WEDNESDAY ADVENT SERVICES

December 6, 13, 20, 2017
7:00 pm in church
Supper 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall
12/6(sponsored by Ascension Sr Youth)
12/13 Chili (Women's Evening Guild)
12/20 (TBD)

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday, December 3, 2017
6:30 pm Fellowship - 7:00 pm Devotions
LIVE NATIVITY

Saturday, December 16, 2017
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm on church lawn

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday, December 17, 2017, 11:00 am

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Sunday, December 24, 2017
4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday, December 24, 2017 @ 11:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Monday, December 25, 2017 @ 10:00 am

NEW YEAR'S EVE COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday, December 31, 2017, 8:15 & 11:00 am

St. Lucas Lutheran Church

Advent Services

All Services are at 7:00p.m.
There will be a meal served at 5:30 on each of the three Wednesdays in Advent.
Wed. Dec. 6 - Sem. Ryan Anderson
Wed. Dec. 13 - Sem. Ryan Anderson
Wed. Dec. 20 - Sem. Ryan Anderson

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 9 :00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Service – Dec. 25, 9:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Sunday Service

December 31 – 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 each with communion (No evening service)

Timothy Lutheran Church

Wednesdays in Advent

11:00 am worship
5:30 Light dinner
7:00 pm worship
December 24
8:00 am service
10:45 am Children's Program
11:00 pm Candlelight service

December 25

10:00 am Worship



Dec. 4th - Dec. 10th

Monday, Dec. 4th –
4:15 PM: A Team Girls' Basketball Game @ St. John's, Arnold

5:15 PM: A Team Boys' Basketball Game @ St. John's, Arnold

7:15 PM: Junior Winds Band Rehearsal @ LHSS

Tuesday, Dec. 5th –
8:30 AM:
Tornado/Earthquake Drill

5:15 PM: A Team Girls' Basketball Game @ Salem, Affton in Salem Tourney

7:45 PM: A Team Boys' Basketball Game @ Salem, Affton in Salem Tourney

Wednesday, Dec. 6th –
8:15 AM: Faith Family Chapel led by Pastor Larson

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM:
LHSS sharing cookies @ lunch sessions

Thursday, Dec. 7th -
8:30 AM: Fire Drill

3:30 PM: A Team Girls' Basketball Practice

4:45 PM: A Team Boys' Basketball Practice

Friday, Dec. 8th –
1:45 PM: K-3 Christmas Program Rehearsal

2:15 PM: 4- 8 Christmas Program Rehearsal

PM: A Team Boys' & Girls' Games @ Salem Basketball Tourney

Saturday, Dec. 9th –
AM: A Team Boys' & Girls' Games @ Salem Basketball Tourney

Sunday, Dec. 10th –
1:00 PM: Pre-K – Grade 3 Christmas Program in Ascension Campus Gym

2:30 PM: Grade 4 – 8 Christmas Program in Ascension Campus Gym