

## **\*\*Fridge Reminder\*\***

**August 9, 2020**

**TIME FOR SOFTBALL** The last game before the playoffs start will be tomorrow at 6:00 pm against Christ Lutheran. On Thursday the playoffs will start.

**TAX STATEMENTS** for the last 3 quarters are now available and they are on the preschool cabinet as you enter the hallway, please see me on Sunday to pick up yours. If there are any discrepancies in your statements, please call or email me.

**WORSHIP SERVICE** has started fully and is at 10:00 AM. ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS IS AT 9:00 AM, and meets in the sanctuary. We will keep to the social distancing rules of 6' apart and are seated accordingly. We will also practice social distancing after worship service. We ask that you wear a face mask for your own safety as well as for the safety of your fellow members. However, Pastor Lee will not be wearing his face mask as he needs to lead the service, but will maintain social distancing and not be able to greet anyone. We leave it to your own discretion as to when you feel safe and comfortable enough to come back to worship at Living Word. For communion, we have pre-packaged single serve communion cups of juice with wafer for everyone, your safety and health are of the utmost importance to us. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email me, and we will do everything we can to take care of you.

**DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR THE WEEK** *Then he said to me, "This is what the Lord says to Zerubbabel: It is not by force nor by strength, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of Heaven's Armies."* Zechariah 4:6 (NLT)

As we look to God to transform our lives, there are three aspects to this transformation. First, we must be guided and led by the word of God; any change that goes against Scripture is not from God. Second, we must equip or prepare ourselves to follow where God leads; this includes growing in the Scriptures and having Christian friends to help us stay accountable. But most importantly, we must have a spiritual posture of complete reliance upon the Holy Spirit to empower the process. If we attempt to do it in our own strength, we will either fail and give up, or become legalistic and thus fail even as we think we are succeeding. So begin today and every day asking God to send His Spirit to empower your obedience to God's will.

**PUSH PRAYER** meets every Tuesday of the month at **10:00 am** to pray for our church, community and world. We welcome requests call or join us each week.

**NEW WEBSITE FEATURE** You can now send in your offering using our giving page. You can make a one time offering or create an account to have offerings come out as often as you like. Thank you for your continued support.

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Stewardship Snapshot

August 2, 2020

26 W, 26 C

Financial Support

**\$3,125.00 General Fund**

**CARE GIVER NEEDED** If you or you know of anyone who would be interested and is qualified to be a live-in care giver, please contact Cathy Baidis at 708-710-1141 as she is looking for someone to be with her mom.

**CELEBRATION DINNER** we will want to start looking forward to fellowship events and summertime or fall fun. The idea is already being kicked around slightly. Of course our main goal is everyone's safety, but we just thought that it would be really nice to have something to get excited about and to be able to have plenty of time to start planning. Of course we want to have a dedication ceremony for our brand new floor to honor Ruth Grebik for her very generous bequest, in addition to a plaque in her honor, it was suggested that we should rename the fellowship hall to the Grebik hall in honor of Ed and Ruth. What a wonderful idea that was. In order to make it easy on everybody and to keep everyone safe, we most likely will have it catered. We will send more information out about what type of donations we should have or be able to accept, you know how hungry we all must be for not being able to have a grand spread all this while. LOL.

**WE NEED MORE USHERS AND GREETERS!** We will be needing people to volunteer to be ushers or greeters. If you are not currently serving and would be willing to serve as you worship please let me know. The monthly schedule usually only requires each person to serve once a month, maybe less if we can get enough people. Thank you in advance for your service, it is greatly appreciated.

**LIVING WORD ENDOWMENT FUND** (as of 7/31/2020). The current value of the fund is \$145,719.81 invested in Thrivent funds. Current market value exceeds cost of investments by \$23,376.14. Since inception (10/12/05), the Fund has earned interest and dividends totaling \$37,362.94. Of this, \$18,681.47 will return to Living Word for growth initiatives.

**THIS REPRESENTS A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING!**

To Date:	Total contributions	\$84,980.73
	Market value over cost	23,376.14
	<u>Dividends and interest</u>	<u>37,362.94</u>
	<b>Total market value</b>	<b>\$145,719.81</b>