



As part of our VISION 2020 initiative, we are beginning to adopt a new holistic approach to Discipleship Formation. Beginning in February we will be using monthly themes to engage ALL Ages in discipleship, connecting sermons, Bible studies, worship, social media campaigns, service projects, discipleship ministry programs, churchwide events and much more. This is meant to be a more engaging way to take on our call as followers of Jesus and to learn new ways to connect with God, one another, and our community here at Living Word.



Our first theme for the month of February is: *Radical Hospitality*. We have many resources available to help you engage more fully in this theme. We hope that you will take advantage of, engage in, and more fully expand your understanding and execution of Radical Hospitality.

Future Monthly Themes: March/April: Go!; April: Journey; June: Closer Connection; July: Justice; August: Back to the Beginning; September: Vocation; October: Harvest; November: Taste and See; December: Hope.

## February Book Suggestions

*Radical Hospitality: Benedicts Way of Love* by Lonni Collins Pratt with Father Daniel Homan, OSB (This will inform our Sunday morning Adult Sunday School Class.)

*Hospitality: God's Call to Compassion* by Patty Pell (This will guide the Wednesday morning and evening Adult Bible Study classes.)

*Plunging into the Kingdom Way* by Tim Dickau

## Radical Hospitality

### ADDITIONAL FEBRUARY RESOURCES

**Facebook:** If you have not already followed us on Facebook, we encourage you to do so. We will be engaging in communication, prayer, and group discussions each week on our Facebook Page: "Living Word Lutheran Church".

**Instagram:** If you have not already followed @LivingWordKaty on Instagram, we encourage you to do so. In future months we will roll out some Photo-A-Day Challenges to engage our community in visual representations of our monthly themes.

**Spotify Playlist:** <https://tinyurl.com/y78lInn2d>

**Pinterest:** [pinterest.com/livingwordkaty/radical-hospitality](https://pinterest.com/livingwordkaty/radical-hospitality)

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## 2018 Giving Statements

Your 2018 Giving Statement can be found in your mail folder in the lobby. Did you know you can also access and print your Giving Statement online? Go to our website [LivingWordKaty.org](http://LivingWordKaty.org) and click on "For Members". After you enter your Shelby Next login information, you can click on "Giving" to download and print your statement.

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## The Chancel Flowers

are given by Carol & Harold Bennett  
in honor of Caleb Robinson  
and in memory of Tyler Robinson on their 18th birthdays

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## Today is Scout Sunday

A Scout is reverent unto God. Today is Scout Sunday, a day to worship and celebrate the partnership with Living Word. We welcome the members of Troop 424 and Pack 424 to worship with us today and look forward to many years of working together in our ministry.



Ladies, you're invited! We welcome you to join us at Lutherhill's "Unwind" Women's Retreat which will be held on **March 1-3**. This retreat is a unique opportunity to hit "pause" on our daily rhythms and gather together to renew our body and spirit in community. Unwind begins Friday evening, and ends on Sunday with brunch and closing worship. Register online at <http://lutherhill.org/unwind/> by **February 15** to secure a spot! This is a very popular retreat at Lutherhill, and this year we are so excited to gather together with women from all walks of life. Please make sure to list Living Word Lutheran Church as your home congregation in your Lutherhill profile so we can share cabins together. As we get closer to the event, we will circulate carpool opportunities, packing list, etc. We are excited for all that God will do in our time together and into the new year!!

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## Last Sunday's Change Offering for Upright Krause Children's Center: \$445

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## School Kit Packing Party

Many thanks to everyone in the congregation who donated items last fall for the School Kit Ministry for Lutheran World Relief. With the wonderful help of the Piecemakers, we packed 170 School Kits and boxed them up for shipping in April 2019! Many staff members helped coordinate this effort, too. I could not do this job without all the donations of items and time. Many thanks for your help!!  
- Nancy Tuttle

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## Quilt Fabric Needed

Piecemakers is in need of larger pieces of fabric for making quilt backs. They can sew together two, three or four pieces to make a 60" x 80" back. Your donations can be left in the church office. Thank you!

## Prayer Shawls

*"Every lovingly crafted stitch contains a special prayer --  
That God will send His peace to you  
and keep you in His care.  
As the shawl drapes 'round your shoulders  
in morning or at night,  
know that He is with you always  
to make your burden light."*

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of Living Word invites you to share these shawls, free of charge, with your friends and family who may be in need of God's loving care. Please sign the book when you take one so we may pray for the recipient.



Join us for a lunch of Asian cuisine following 11am worship on **February 17!** We will feature traditional music by members of the North American Chinese Youth Orchestra, a Kung-Fu performance, a presentation on Chinese culture and history, food demonstrations, dance, games and much more.

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## Ladies' Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Romans 10:17 says, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

At Ladies' Tuesday Evening Bible Study, we read the words of the Bible, interpreting scripture with scripture, so that we can know and believe with all our heart, mind and soul. Join us as we study Revelation, which is the "revelation" of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Come join us on Tuesday evenings as we continue our study at 7:00 to 8:30pm in the Martin Luther room. All are welcome to come and participate in the study and discussions. For more information, contact Selina at 281-352-4712 or [selinapon@gmail.com](mailto:selinapon@gmail.com).

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For the current list of Living Word events, visit the "EVENTS" page at [LivingWordKaty.org](http://LivingWordKaty.org)