

Scheduled & Ongoing Events

(Specific dates to be detailed in bulletin and announcements prior to the event)

Potluck, Prayer, & Praise (Fellowship Hall, Monthly)

A gathering that meets on the last Sunday of the month from 5:00-7:00pm for a potluck with a prayer and praise time that follows. This is a great time of fellowship and coming together to pray as a large group for various needs!

Fall Festival (Church Grounds)

An exciting event filled with food and fun activities! Bring friends and family during the fall season to enjoy the festival or sign up at the Welcome Center to volunteer and serve at one of the booths.

Welcome Luncheon (Quarterly)

Formerly known as "A Taste of Word of Life" our Welcome Luncheon is a gathering with a light luncheon designed for those newer to attending WOLBC or newly visiting. Our Welcome Luncheon is a great time to get to know one another and to learn about our community and the ministries we provide. If you are new to the body of Word of Life you are welcome to join!

Getting to Know WOL (Quarterly)

Our Membership class, led by Pastor Tim. Learn more about Word of Life: the history, beliefs, structure, staff and what membership is all about at WOL. This is the first step to begin the process of becoming a member, but the decision is up to you. We meet quarterly on Sunday mornings at 9:00am in Room 109.

Operation Christmas Child (Annual)

Help give the gift of the gospel by packing a shoebox for a child in need. Shoeboxes arrive mid September and are collected and sent out by mid November. Packing lists are available at the church office. See John and Connie Reich for more details and how you can be involved!
John (989) 255-9868, Connie (989) 358-8898

After Service Potluck (Quarterly)

Sign up to bring a dish to pass at the next quarterly potluck! Enjoy great fellowship and food with one another following Sunday services, a sign up sheet will be available a few weeks prior to the event.

Christmas Party (Annual)

An all church event for adults held during the winter season. Keep an eye out for updates in our bulletin and on our websites calendar to stay up to date!

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Scheduled Events

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- Getting to Know WOL *(9:00am Sunday, Quarterly)**
- Operation Christmas Child *(Annually)*
- After Service Potluck *(Quarterly Potluck, 12:30pm Sundays)*
- Christmas Party *(Winter Season, for Adults)*

*See brochure details, website or call office for specific dates

L.I.F.E. Tracks Beginning September 18th, 2024

At Word of Life, L.I.F.E. stands for Living Intentionally For Eternity. L.I.F.E. Tracks are the core training element of our Disciple Making Process. They are custom made to help us grow into fully devoted and fully developed followers of Christ, emphasizing the practical day-to-day aspects of L.I.F.E.

A Disciple's L.I.F.E

This L.I.F.E. Track provides a practical and reproducible disciple making process that shows individuals how to be/become a disciple and how to make disciples. It will provide a portrait of a Fully Devoted & Fully Developed Follower of Christ, a path to guide you in the process of making disciples and a variety of helpful tools such as, "3 Guiding Principles of Discipleship", 7 Core Ministry Questions", Stages of Spiritual Growth", "The Core Attributes Of A Disciple" and a M.A.P. for guiding you along the journey. Led by Pastor Scott.

A Learner's L.I.F.E.

Anyone can read and study the Bible, but have you ever wanted to learn how to go deeper? If so, this may be the L.I.F.E Track for you! We'll discuss how to read, interpret, and apply the Bible engaging such topics as how to approach various sections of Scripture, how to use various Bible study tools, how historical-culture and literary contexts impact our understanding of Scripture, how various types of translations work, and how the meaning of Scripture works, putting these things into practice throughout. Still in development, this study could range from 9-12 weeks. This L.I.F.E. Track was developed and adapted from a study using the book, Grasping God's Word by Duvall & Hayes, which would be helpful but is not required, and can be purchased on your own. Led by Pastor Tim.

Youth & Children's Ministries (continued)

Kids Worship Too (KW2) at 10:45 AM

For children entering 1st through 5th grade we have a unique opportunity to worship and learn during our 10:45 AM service. After joining their parents in the sanctuary, families have the choice to dismiss their children from service to KW2, an interactive teaching time geared for younger hearts and minds. Parents can pick their children up from KW2 in the Heritage Center Gymnasium following the worship service.

Please stop by the stand in the foyer before the start of service each week to check-in for KW2. For questions about KW2, please contact Beth Dore at (231) 429-2489. KW2 is available from September through July.

Kidville (Nursery through 5th grade)

We have special opportunities for our youngest family members to learn and grow both at the 9:00 AM hour and the 10:45 service time. Our infant and toddler nursery is open to children under 2 years of age. We also offer age appropriate classes for children 2 to 4 years old that lay a foundation of faith through caring teachers, a Biblical focus, and crafts that help the kids take home what they learn.

Life Lessons

We offer Life Lessons classes for 1st through 5th grade children at 9:00am on Sunday mornings. Within these classes, we aim to incorporate Bible stories into your child's life in fun and creative ways. Our goal is to come along side of you, the parent, to help your child see God's Word and truths as being relevant in their daily lives. Classes are located in Kidville/Heritage Center.

Additional Ministries

Hospital Singing Ministry

Most weeks, a small, but friendly group of people meets up after the morning service on Sunday, in the lobby of MidMichigan Medical Center of Alpena. They gather some hymnals and sing 2-3 hymns and/or choruses at the ends of the hallways on multiple floors. A few patients and families may make requests or even join in. It may remind you of Christmas caroling, but with regular hymns. You can expect to spend around an hour at the hospital, depending on how much visiting with the team and patients you happen to do.

Adult Bible Fellowships (ABFs)

Our Adult Bible Fellowships are not just Sunday School classes—they are small communities of faith within Word of Life. Being in an ABF means being a part of one another's lives, staying in touch throughout the week, and encouraging each other to walk with the Lord.

ABF's meet Sunday mornings at 9:00am in their respective rooms.

The Rock (Room 100)

Like the wise man who built his house on the rock, this fellowship helps set the foundation of our faith for building great things. Led by an energetic and dynamic team, we have open, biblically-based discussions to answer your questions and help one another grow in Christ. Led by Doug & Tamara Quick.

The Bereans (Room 107)

Everyone is welcome to join the Bereans as we walk through the Scriptures and consider how we are called to live our lives today. Join for various in depth studies in the Bible. Led by Steve Whiting with Kevin Berg.

The Seekers (Room 110)

Come and discover something new with the Seekers. This fellowship explores God's Word through a variety of short studies as we seek after Him. Open to anyone, this group continually brings something new to your walk with the Lord. Led by Jim Makowske and Dan Kirschner.

Salt & Light (Room 115 partitioned off section of Fellowship Hall)

The Salt & Light ABF explores God's word with three key points; Deeply Diving into God's truth, Doing Life with one another to create lasting relationships, and Making Disciples as Jesus commanded us to "Go". Led by Kevin & Kristy Stoltz.

Defending The Faith: Know What You Believe (Room 101)

Launching September 22, 2024, this ABF is designed to help believers understand and articulate what they believe and why. This class will parallel what the kids are learning in KW2, but at a level intended for adults. Led by Jim Stalker, with Kevin Dore.

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men, join us Wednesday mornings at 7:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and doughnuts and a time of group study in God's Word. We are focusing on drawing out the meaning of the Scriptures and applying them to our lives.

Every Man a Warrior (From Fall to Spring)

Is a group that challenges men to grow deeper in knowledge and grace of our Lord. This course speaks to every part of a man's life including his relationship with God, marriage, raising a family, work, money and getting through hard times. This opportunity comes once a year, registration begins in the fall.

Workbooks are required and are available at the start of the course. This is a small group fellowship, so be sure to join early as the class is closed to newcomers after the first few weeks. Be on the look out for additional information and see Chris O'Bryan at (248) 881-7039 for more details.

Women's Ministry

Women's Prayer Group

Each Monday morning, several of the ladies of Word of Life gather together to pray. Join your sisters in Christ as we lift our prayers and praises up to the God of heaven. We meet every Monday at 9:00 AM in the prayer room.

Ladies Bible Study (Summer details may differ)

All women are welcome to join this caring group that seeks to know God's truth and to love one another as Christ has taught us. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 10:00am—12:00pm in room 110. Contact Carol Makowske for more details at (989) 358-2444

MomCo

MomCo is an international organization that encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders in relationship with Jesus and in partnership with the local church. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9:00am—11:00am. Childcare is provided and there is also a room for homeschoolers. Email their team for more details at momcoalpena@gmail.com

Women's Missionary Fellowship (Summer details may differ)

Meets the second Monday of the month in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am. Women's Missionary Fellowship supports the compassionate work of God through His missionaries here and around the world. We pray for our missionaries, participate in community outreach, and take part in a card ministry. We also sew items such as baby blankets and diapers for missionaries and wrap band-aids for the White Cross.

Youth & Children's Ministries

Youth Bible Fellowship (Sunday's at 9:00am in Room 114)

Our YBF aims to allow both Middle and High School students the space to freely ask questions, share concerns, and learn to both understand and apply God's Word in real and tangible ways. This class is discussion-based, prayer-focused, and fun!

Axis (Wednesdays at 5:50pm, summer details may differ)

Axis Student Ministries is for students grades 6th–12th. A typical night involves fellowship and games, musical worship, and biblical teaching. Middle and High Schoolers join together for most of these activities but do have the opportunity to break away for separate small group discussions. Axis students are invited to participate in several big events throughout the year, like bike and rafting adventures, mission trips, service opportunities, and both winter and summer retreats. Axis is based on 1 Peter 2:9 which says that God has turned us from darkness into His light. As a generation, we give Him our praise. We challenge students to let their one life make a difference. You can find Axis on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages and can check out our Resources and Links page on our website for updates and calendar events.

Kids LIFE Ministry (Wednesday's at 6:15pm during the schoolyear)

Starting September 18th children entering kindergarten through 5th grade students will be engaged in a large group teaching time, a time of Scripture memorization and activity time in the gym. Kids L.I.F.E. will be using a curriculum that teaches 6 doctrinal themes over the course of a year. They will have fun memorizing Scripture, learning about God and engaging with His Word. For questions please contact Pastor Steve.