

*Lincolnia United Methodist Church*

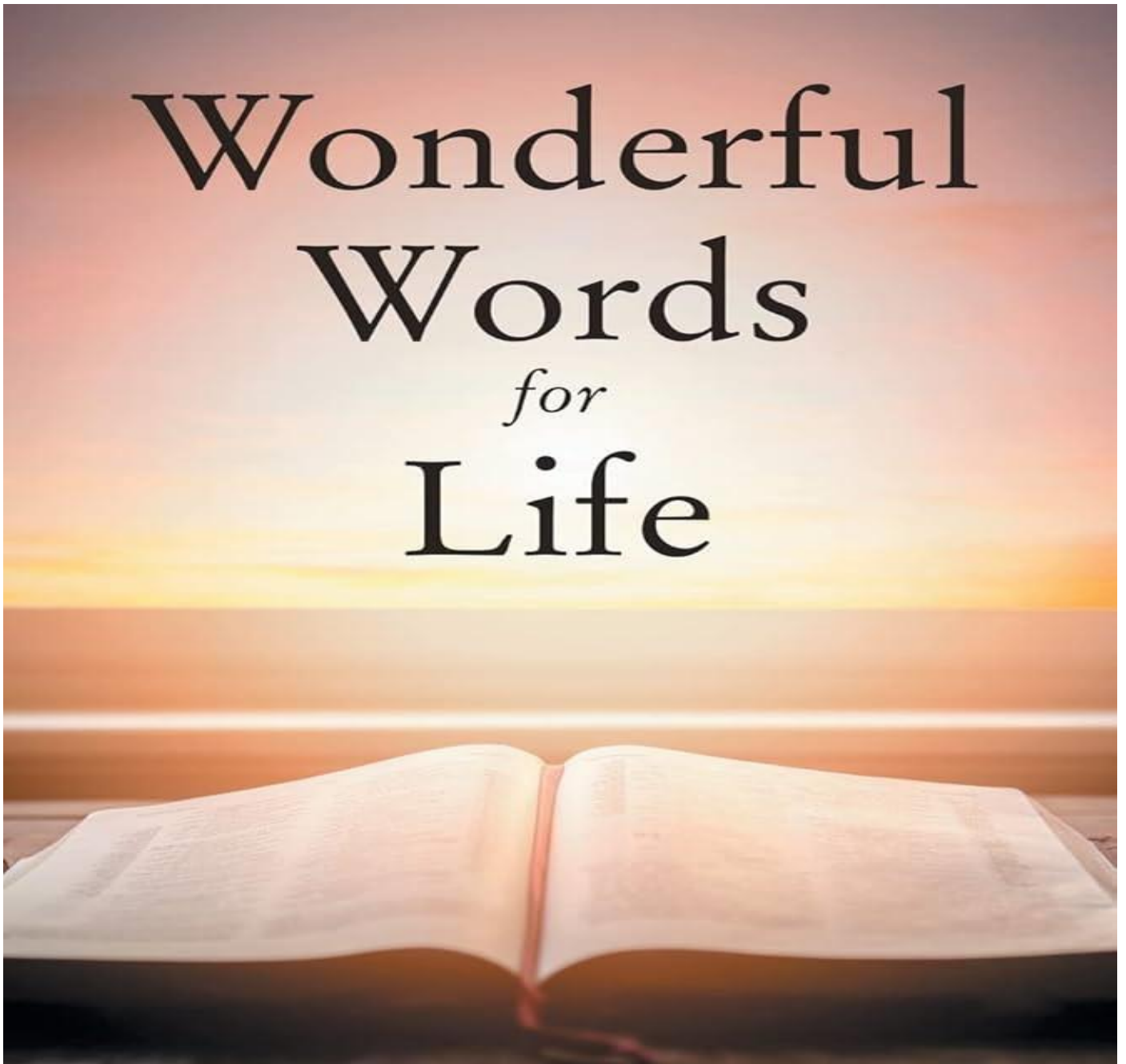
*6335 Little River Turnpike, Alexandria, Virginia 22312*

*"Our Mission is "To Share Christ's Love for All People Everywhere"*

*Sunday, November 3, 2024, Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost*

*Service at 11:00 A.M.*

Wonderful  
Words  
*for*  
Life



**1. Prelude** (Organ Music)

**2. Greetings and Welcome:** (Worship Leader)

**3. Call to Worship:** (Responsively, please stand as you're able)

L: Come, let us worship God and rejoice!

**P: We have come to praise God for God's steadfast love!**

L: Let us bring the gift of praise and thanksgiving to God!

**All: singing song through once, ending before the key change. Amen.**

**4. Opening Hymn:** "And Are We Yet Alive" # 553

**5. Opening Prayer:** (By all, please be seated)

Lord our God, rule over us in strength, and grant us your light. Let your Spirit be with us to confirm what has already taken place in our hearts, so that we have joy and trust even under all the strain and stress of this life. Shine into the darkness of the world. Shine for all people. May we be shown more and more clearly what we have been created for. Strengthen our faith for the future, our faith in everything good, for however hidden the good may be, it must at last come to the light. May we and the entire world bring praise and honor to you. **Amen.**

**6. Prayer of Confession:** (By all)

How often, O Lord, have we believed that the greatest commandment is our love for ourselves solely. We have not heard the cries of those in need; we have turned our backs on opportunities to serve you by serving others. Many times we have thought only of our own wants and desires and ignored the needs of others. Help us to truly understand the commandments to love you with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind. Let us care for our neighbors both far and near. Bring us back to your loving light. For we ask these things in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**7. Words of Assurance:** (Pastor)

Pastor: (In the name of Jesus our sins are forgiven)

People: **(Amen thanks be to God)**

**8. The Collect for the Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: (Worship Leader)**

O God, whose blessed Son, came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**9. The Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 146**

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord. <sup>[a]</sup>

Praise the Lord, my soul.

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes,  
in human beings, who cannot save.

<sup>4</sup> When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;  
on that very day their plans come to nothing.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

<sup>6</sup> He is the Maker of heaven and earth,  
the sea, and everything in them  
he remains faithful forever.

<sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed  
and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free,

<sup>8</sup> the Lord gives sight to the blind,  
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord watches over the foreigner

and sustains the fatherless and the widow,  
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> The Lord reigns forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord.

Reader: (This is the word of God)

**People: (Thanks be to God)**

**10. Hymn:** "Christ for the World We Sing" # 568

**11. Epistle Lesson:** Hebrews 9: 11 - 14

<sup>11</sup> But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. <sup>12</sup> He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all, by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. <sup>13</sup> The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. <sup>14</sup> How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God; cleanse our conscience from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Reader: (This is the word of God)

**People: (Thanks be to God)**

**12. Sermonic Hymn:** "Wonderful Words of Life" # 600

**13. Gospel Lesson:** Mark: 12: 28 - 34

28 One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" 29 "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with

all your strength.’<sup>31</sup> The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” <sup>32</sup> “Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. <sup>33</sup> To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.” <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Reader: (This is the Gospel of Christ)  
People: **(Praise to Christ our Saviour)**

**14. Sermon:** “Wonderful Words of Life” Rev. Raymond Max-Jones

**15. Announcements:** The Church Office, Committees and Small Groups

**16. Offering of Our gifts and ourselves:** **(Organ Music)**

**17. The Doxology:** # 95

**18. Blessing of our gifts and ourselves:** **(The Pastor)**

**19. Pastoral Prayer:** The Church, Home, World, Sick and all Conditions of Man

**20. The Holy Communion:** # 13 - 15

**21. Closing Hymn:** “Bless Be the Tie That Binds” # 557

**22. Closing Prayer and Benediction:** **(Pastor)**

**23. Postlude Hymn:** “Forth in Thy Name, O Lord” # 438



**Announcements from the Church Office**  
**Sunday, November 3, 2024**

1. **The Stewards Union:** will meet in the Sanctuary immediately after the close of this present divine. Please may all concerned make it a point of duty to wait. Thanks, and stay blessed.
2. **Obituary:** I am sorry to announce the passing of Sis. Juliana King on Wednesday, October 30, 2024. She was a regular visitor and has been on our prayer list for some time now. She is the mother of Dr. Brian Williams who read the Gospel Lesson at our last Men's Thanksgiving Service. May her soul rest in perfect peace and God continue to comfort her family.
3. **Zion Men's Fellowship:** will have their Annual Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 10:00a.m. Preacher, the Rev. Raymond A. Max-Jones. You are all cordially invited.
4. **St. John's Mount Rainer Men's Fellowship:** will have their Annual Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 17, 2024 at 10:00a.m. You are all cordially invited.
5. **34<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Service:** The West African Methodist Collegiate School Old Boys Association USA will have their Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 24, 2024 at 3:00p.m. at Lincolnia United Methodist Church. The theme is: "That I May Be of Service to Mankind." Preacher, Rev. Dr. Gibrilla Bangura. You are all cordially invited.
6. **Midweek Devotional:** Midweek Devotional Worship continues every Wednesday evening at 7:30.p.m. Via Zoom, **ID: 94326293441, Password: 6cbm6p**. A blessed and refreshing time awaits you all in Jesus name.
7. **Small Groups:** Leaders of Small Groups and Committees or their representatives are welcome to make their announcements as well.
8. **Offerings:** Offerings can be given via Zelle. The Zelle info to use to contribute is 703-967-5719 (the office cell). You can also access the Zelle info via the Church Website.

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*Lincolnia U M C Worship Services on Sunday is at 11:00. A.M*  
*Church Office Hours:* 10:00 A.M - 4:00 P.M.  
*Mondays through Fridays*

*Missionary Church of Christ*  
*Sunday - 2: 30.P.M - 5: 30.P.M @ the Fellowship Hall*  
*Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6: 30.p.m- 9: 30.P.M.*  
*Fellowship Hall*

*Till We Meet Again Stay Blessed and Safe.*  
*Corona Virus Is Real!*  
*Protect Yourself and Save Others*