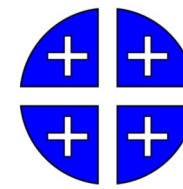
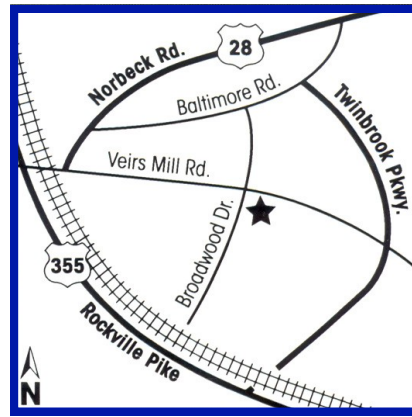


The Living Faith Difference



Living Faith Lutheran Church has been an integral part of the Rockville community since 1952, when we first started meeting in an elementary school and chose "Crusader Lutheran" as our church name. (We changed to Living Faith in 2011.)



Living Faith

LUTHERAN CHURCH

God's Vision Our Mission

We invite you
to
join our journey
of
faith, love,
hope & service

Today, we're a **welcoming, growing & community-focused** congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

If you're looking for support and gentle guidance in your spiritual journey, we think you just might find what you're looking for in Living Faith: a loving, accepting **community of faith** ... an engaging **worship service** that will bring you closer to Christ and leave you refreshed in mind & spirit ... and a calendar full of **great opportunities** for fellowship, service and spiritual growth.



Through our vibrant **ministries**, Living Faith members fight world hunger & social injustice, protect the planet God gave us, build bridges through education and help families grow closer & stronger in these challenging times.



Plus, you'll find plenty of **fun & enriching activities** for the entire family — from Bible study

to Sunday School, choir practice to Mardi Gras parties, food drives to stream cleanups.

We're Easy to Find!

Living Faith Lutheran Church is located at the corner of Veirs Mill Road and Broadwood Drive. We have plenty of off-street parking — and we're within a 20-minute walk (or 5-minute bike ride) of nearly every house in the Twinbrook neighborhood!

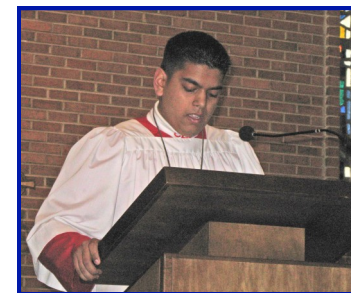
Please Join Us This Sunday!

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Children Warmly Welcomed!

Nursery 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:40 a.m.



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Meet Our Pastor

The **Reverend Sandra Cox Shaw** was installed as our church's sixth pastor in December 2005, bringing new energy and fresh ideas to our congregation.

Her **dynamic, loving and future-focused ministry** has drawn more & more new members to our community of worship.

Pastor Shaw is a graduate of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg, Pa., where she earned a **master's degree in divinity** and **graduated with honors** in homiletics (preaching).

Living Faith members eagerly await Pastor Shaw's **sermons** each Sunday. They're always engaging, sometimes humorous and **full of keen insight** into Biblical readings & history.

What's more, you can always count on Pastor Shaw's sermons to give you **practical guidance for everyday life ...** and plenty to think about during the week to come!



Above: Rev. Sandra Cox Shaw, our spiritual guide.

Below: Pastor Shaw with Ina Christian, who joined Crusader in 2010, and baptizing Reagan Lukes the same year, as proud parents Robert & Kim Lukes look on.



"I believe that the entire Bible reveals that God is a God of liberation and transformation — of individuals and communities," Pastor Sandra says. "I am a passionate believer in faith communities — and I believe everyone has Spiritual Gifts."

New Member Testimonials 'Why We've Joined Living Faith Lutheran'

"I came to Living Faith while recovering from a very serious illness. It was my second in just a few years. Physically, I was very weak and didn't feel as if I had anything to offer."

"When Pastor Shaw met with me, she was so kind and really let me know that I would be welcome whether or not I was able to contribute the way I would have at one time. She was very welcoming, and the congregation has been as well."

"This has really become a Church home and family for me, and I love to see visitors come and find the love I have found here. I am so grateful that the Lord led me to this Church."



- Sally Tomkinson

(with her husband of 50 years, Richard Tomkinson)

"When we arrived from Boston and began looking for a Lutheran church, we were struck by an image on the Living Faith website. Pastor Shaw and several folks from the congregation were blessing a new traffic light that was installed on Veirs Mill Road, just outside the church."

"This image continues to stand out in our minds, because it represents Living Faith's commitment to being a congregation that worships and walks with God, both within and outside the walls of the church."

"We discovered not only a congregation that is involved in a number of important missions, but also a warm, inviting and supportive community of folks with whom we can continue to grow in our faith."



— Colleen Vesely

(with husband Rajko Ilicic & their son Luka, honoring the Holy Family for our 2010 Christmas pageant)

Mission Statement

We are a **living presence of God**, celebrating as an extended family.

We are committed to **sharing our faith** through joyful worship in Word and Sacrament.

We provide **opportunities for growth** by offering ministries that meet the needs of our members and community.



Guiding Principles

Living Faith Lutheran will...

- ❖ **Create** a welcoming environment for all people.
- ❖ **Equip** members to serve Christ and grow spiritually.
- ❖ **Strengthen** individuals and families.
- ❖ **Provide** encouragement and support for those who choose to take a risk for Christ.
- ❖ **Draw upon** the diversity of the congregation and the community to carry out our mission.
- ❖ **Encourage** personal and congregational stewardship in support of our mission.