



October 5, 2025
17th Sunday After Pentecost



A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Good Morning and Welcome!

If you are an online worshiper or guest today, please leave a record of your time with us online. Thank you!

[Online Guest Form](#)

ORDER OF WORSHIP 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Bread of Life from With One Voice

** Please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE “Sweet Hour of Prayer” (Schram)

Melanie Payne

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERLUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

***GATHERING SONG** “God Is Here!”

WOV 719



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



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Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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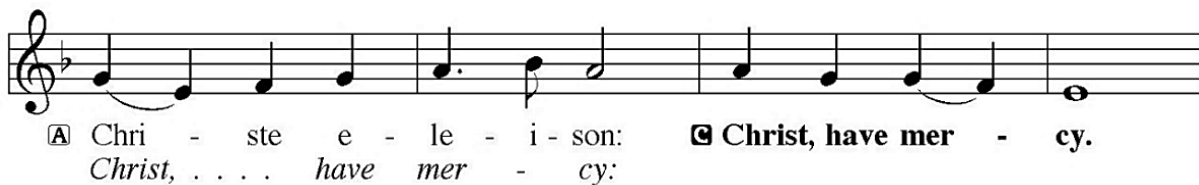
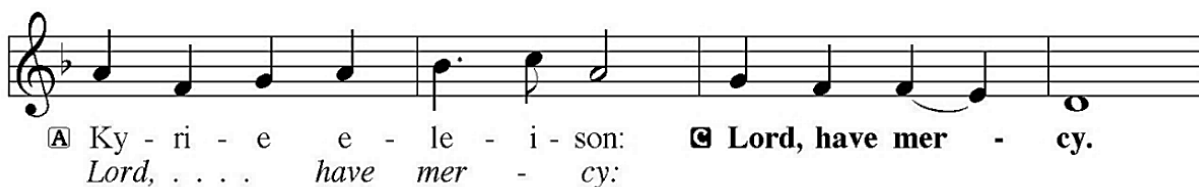
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*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*KYRIE



*CANTICLE OF PRAISE



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



① Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



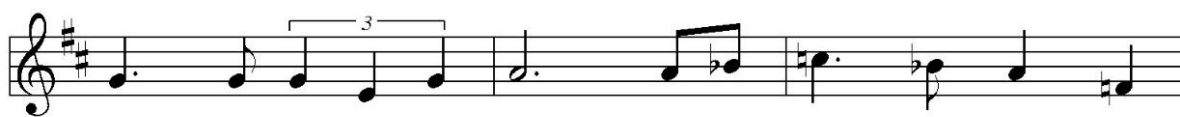
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



② Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer.

C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

I
II For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,

and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

TEMPLE TALK: Endowment Fund

Greg Kilby

FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1} I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ² Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. ⁴ Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 37:1-9

¹ Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

² **For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

³ Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴ **Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire.**

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

⁶ **The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸ **Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

⁹ For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

² To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³ I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸ Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹ For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I

have entrusted to him. ¹³ Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL FANFARE

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*GOSPEL

Luke 17:5-10

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶ The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

⁷ “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you

also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Kris Schroeder



1 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 2 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 3 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 4 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,

in - ev - 'ry need faith you bring us aid,
 in - crease our need faith you bring us aid,
 make us to love us in our dear Lord;
 en - light - en us by that same word;

pro - ceed - ing forth from heav - en's throne,
 un - less your grace the pow'r should give,
 the ho - ly flame of love im - part,
 teach us to know God's ra - diant love,

from God, the Fa - ther and the Son;
 none can be - lieve in Christ and live;
 that char - i - ty may who warm each heart;
 lead us to Christ who reigns a - bove;

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Text: Johann Niedling, 1602–1668; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876–1948, alt.
 Music: O HEILIGER GEIST, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

*APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

*PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Anthem (8:30): “Prayer of Saint Francis” (B Moore)

Choir

Organ Solo (11:00): “The Gift to Be Simple” (Wood)

Melanie Payne



***Presentation of Gifts “Let the Vineyards”**

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING AND PREFACE**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a melody with various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across multiple notes.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

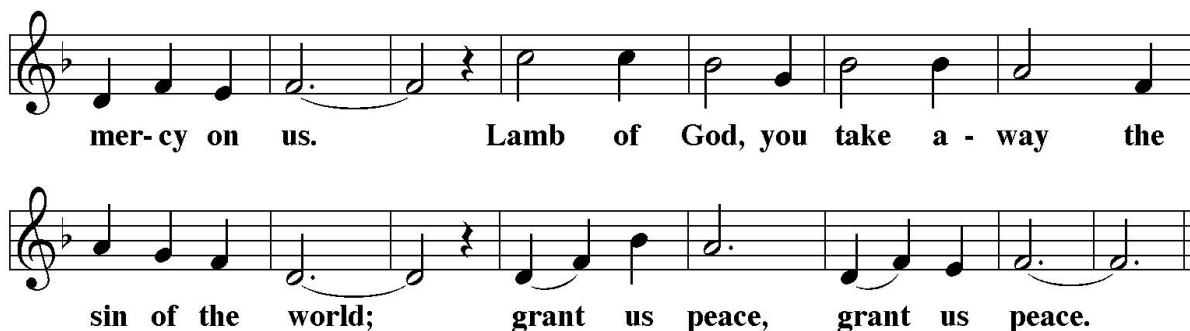
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

COMMUNION SONG "Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a melody with quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across multiple notes.



DISTRIBUTION

HYMN "As the Grains of Wheat"

WOV 705

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

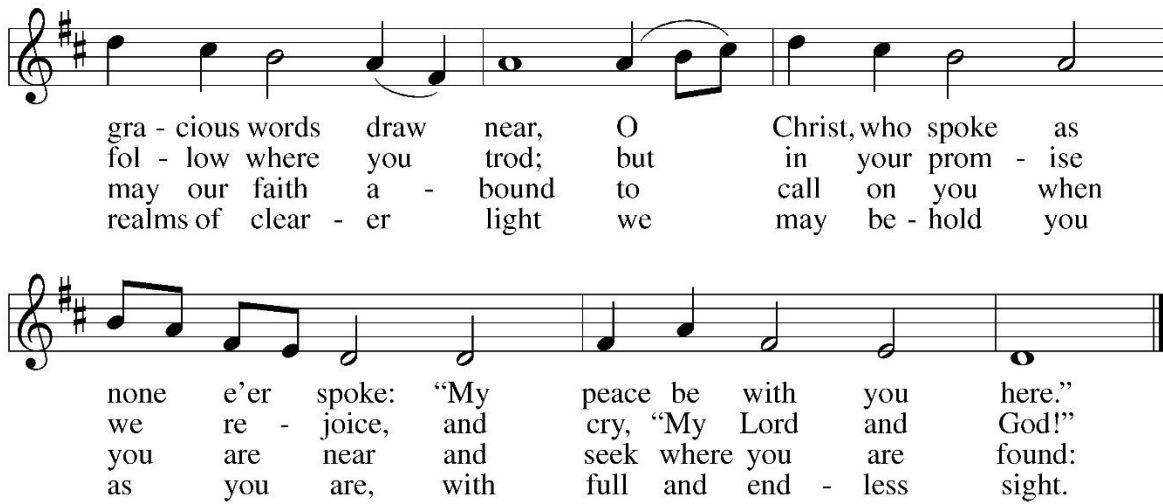
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HYMN "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

WOV 675

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
2 We may not touch and your hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 That, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
may our faith a - bound to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.
Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

HYMN "One Bread, One Body"

WOV 710



Refrain

One bread, one bod - y, one Lord of all; one cup of
bless - ing which we bless, and we, though man - y
through - out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,

Refrain

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all.
gath - ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939
Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, SJ
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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

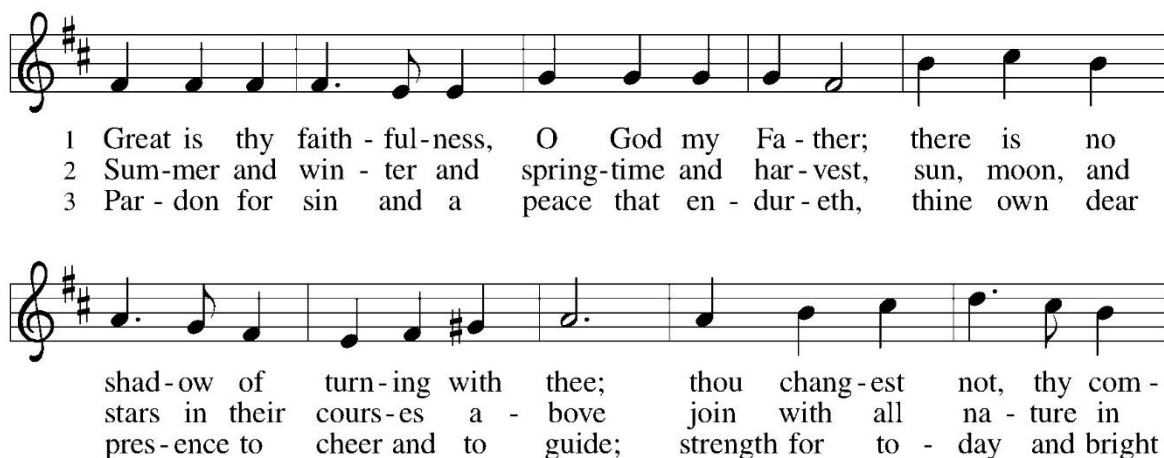


☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

***BLESSING**

***SENDING SONG "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

WOV 771



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear
shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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* DISMISSAL

Do not lose heart. Go in Peace. **We will! Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE “Italian Hymn” (Giardini/Don Hustad)

Melanie Payne



WE REMEMBER IN THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH TODAY

Norma Freymuth
Don & Lizzie Palmer
Lindsey & the Porter Family
Cindy
Kevin

Leighann
Connie Stanger
Stephen
Rich
Brian

Steve Peirce
Gary Heideman
Kenneth
Pat Esteppe
Amy Cunningham

8:30 Worship

Cantor	Martin Campbell
Lector	Jacquelin Fry
Ushers	Joe and Bobbey Huwaldt
Altar Guild	Linda Peirce
Stream Team	Michael Montgomery, Paul Zutter
Flower Guild	Linda Heideman

11:00 Worship

Ushers	Mark Winge
Altar Guild	Karen Knox Arnold
Stream Team	Bob Davis
Flower Guild	Linda Heideman

Pastor	Kristine Schroeder
Director of Music	Randall Fields
Organist/Accompanist	Melanie Payne

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THE FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by the Pitchko family in celebration of Colin's 9th birthday.

ALL ARE INVITED to enjoy coffee and fellowship after service in the Fellowship Hall.

NURSERY is open on a self-service basis until the attendant position is filled. Thank you for your understanding.

NO YOUTH MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES TODAY DUE TO FALL BREAK. Madison City and Madison County Schools Fall Break is the week of Oct. 6 – 10. No Sunday School, youth meetings or activities today. Have a great Fall Break and see you back on Oct. 12.

PASTOR KRIS AWAY FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION, OCTOBER 6 – 12, 2025. While Pastor is away, please direct any emergent pastoral care needs to office@mlutheran.org and any prayer chain requests to prayerchain@mlutheran.org.

MLC APP SUPPORT 3RD SUNDAY IN OCT and NOV. Experts will be available between services in the Fellowship Hall on 10/19 and 11/16. Bring all your questions about the app or stop by if you need any assistance on how to use the app.

4th ANNUAL GERMAN FOOD FESTIVAL, NOVEMBER 1. One of our best attended events is just around the corner. Here's how you can help make it a success again this year. 1) Sign up here to volunteer for the week before or day of the event, 2) Invite friends, family, neighbors, co-workers. Share on social media, 3) Come and attend! Bounce house for kids, live music, delicious food and drinks to be enjoyed by all!



2025 HOLIDAY FOOD BAGS - DONATIONS NEEDED. We are partnering again this year with other area Lutheran churches to brighten the holidays for fellow Lutherans and other members of the community. We are collecting 100 boxes of cake mixes and 100 cans of frosting. Drop off at Mission Control in Narthex. Deadline is November 9th. Contact Dana Burton for more info: dana.rizor.burton@gmail.com.

CHILI COOK-OFF MOVED TO JANUARY. Watch for details coming soon.

KIT MINISTRY – Single Toothbrushes FOOD PANTRY – Cake Mix & Frosting

****CHURCH CALENDAR****

Sunday, October 5

8:30 a.m. – *Service of Worship BOL With One Voice with the Lord's Supper

9:45 a.m. – Adult Bible Study/Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. – Adult Choir Warm Up

11:00 a.m. – Service of Worship BOL With One Voice with the Lord's Supper / New Member Recognition

6:30 p.m. – Notabella Rehearsal

Tuesday, October 7

9:00 a.m. – Comforters

6:30 p.m. – Pub Theology

Wednesday, October 8

7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 9

6:30 p.m. – Kit Ministry

7:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting

Sunday, October 12

8:30 a.m. – *Service of Worship ELW Service of the Word

9:45 a.m. – Adult Bible Study/Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. – Adult Choir Warm Up

11:00 a.m. – Service of Worship ELW Service of the Word

5:00 p.m. – Cherub and Seraph Choir

6:30 p.m. – Notabella Rehearsal

LOOKING AHEAD

October 25 – Handmade Market

October 25 – German Food Fest Baking Prep Day

October 26 – Reformation Sunday, Bible Presentation to 3rd Graders

November 1 – German Food Festival

ATTENDANCE September 21 Online: 48

September 28: 8:30 – 71

11:00 – 52