

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
OCTOBER 29, 2023

Reformation Sunday

INTRODUCTION

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty arr. Melody Hover

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION AT THE FONT FOR PENTECOST

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

silence for confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

Lift High the Cross

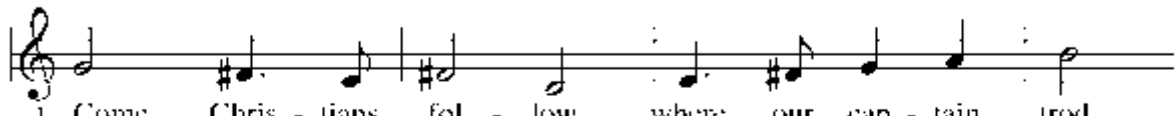
Refrain




Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ei - fied tree,
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
5 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God,
the hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine,
bear on their brows the seal of him who died,
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee,
praise to the Cru - ei - fied for vic - to - ry!

GREETING

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

Congregation: **And also with you.**



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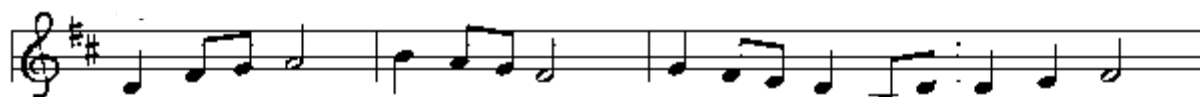


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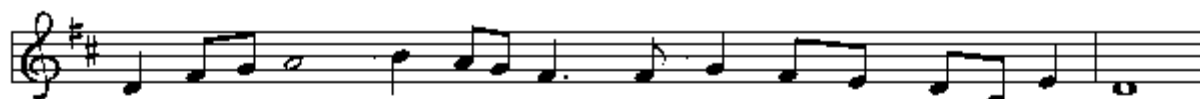


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HYMN OF PRAISE



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



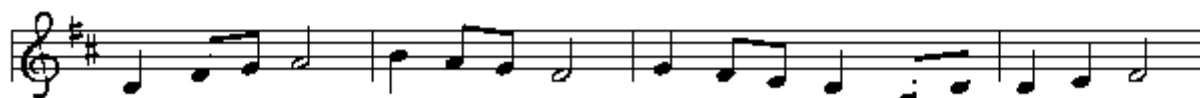
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

VIA DE CRISTO

Larry Koran, Jr.

WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Will Dickinson, Lector

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34 Pew Bible #721

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 46 Pew Bible #506

Lector: ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Congregation: ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

L: ³though its waters roar and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

C: ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

L: ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

C: ⁶The nations are in an uproar, and the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

L: ⁷The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

C: ⁸**Come, behold the works of the Lord,
see what desolations he has brought on the earth;**

L: ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow,
and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

C: ¹⁰**"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations;
I am exalted in the earth."**

L: ¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

SECOND READING: : Romans 3:19-28 Pew Bible #1027

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION hymnal, #216, *stand*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -
lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-46 Pew Bible #902

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²“What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet””? ⁴⁵“If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

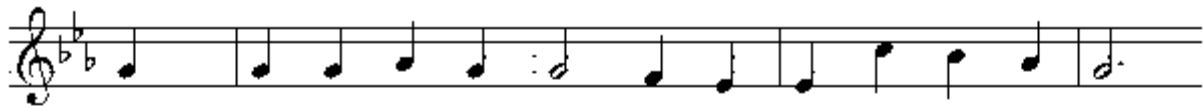
Pastor Bob Stelter

Our Lutheran Identity

A manuscript of this sermon is available on our website: faithloves.org.

HYMN OF THE DAY hymnal, #654, stand

The Church’s One Foundation



1 The church’s one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ‘ry na - tion, yet one o’er all the earth;
3 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One.



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word,
her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth,
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav’n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
O bless - ed heav’n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace.



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died,
and to one hope she press - es with ev - ‘ry grace en - dued,
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

NICENE CREED

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Assistant: Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Assistant: God our parent, you call us your children and have made us siblings through your son Jesus. Heal the church's many divisions, bring understanding and peace where there has been contention and strife, and unite us in one body through the love of Christ. God of grace,

Congregation: hear our prayer.

A: God our creator, your hands have made the heights of the mountains, the depths of the sea, and the life that animates all creation. Bring relief to areas harmed by wildfires, floods, storms, and human carelessness. Renew the face of the earth. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: God our ruler, the nations rage and the kingdoms shake, but your word stands fast forever. Let your justice and peace roll down like waters wherever there is strife, injustice, war, or religious conflict. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: God our champion, you are our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble. Draw near to all who suffer. Be their rest and comfort. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: God our reformer, you make all things new. Free us from complacency, open us to unexpected ways, and kindle zeal in us for the future. We pray for young people affirming their baptism. With them, stir in us a desire for your wisdom. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: God our savior, you made yourself known in the lives of all who have died in the hope of your grace. We give thanks for the witness of reformers like Martin Luther and for all whose example has brought us closer to you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Silence for individual prayer petitions.

Pastor: Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Congregation: Amen.

THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

OFFERING ANTHEM

You, Lord Deborah Govenor

OFFERTORY *With One Voice, pg. 35, stand*

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. 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

Assistant: Let us pray.

Congregation: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS With One Voice, pg. 36

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Holy, mighty & merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
*“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
*“This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE MEAL FROM PASTOR STELTER

Lamb of God, *With One Voice*, pg. 439

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

COMMUNION

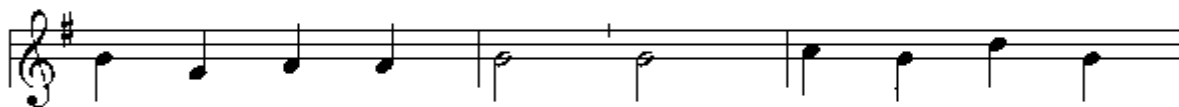
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *hymnal, #502*

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth. send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom
Lord of lords a - lone: de - fend your ho - ly
u - ni - ty on earth: sup - port us in our



from your Son and bring to nought all he has done,
church, that we may sing your praise tri - um - phant - ly.
fi - nal strife and lead us out of death to life.

COMMUNION BLESSING *stand*

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

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.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray,

Congregation: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, Now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

MARTIN LUTHER'S PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Pastor: O Lord, although you are rightfully angry with us on account of our sins, you have never deserted the human race. You have always preserved a church for yourself among all who have looked to you for blessings and comfort. You have been their dwelling and their refuge. Dear God, keep us and your little flock, that we may escape the bitter wrath. May you find us among those who honor and serve Christ, gladly waiting for the judgment with the blessed at his right hand.

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING HYMN hymnal, #504

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who
to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with
wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,
has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,
he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

DISMISSAL

Assistant: The worship is concluded, now the service begins.

Congregation: We go to love God, love others, serve.

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Rejoicing Charles Callahan

*Flowers on the altar are given by Cheri Reso-Gobel & Betsy O'lerly
in memory of their mother, Peggy Beckwith.*

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Evangelical Lutheran Churches in America

Founding Congregation of Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, Tellico Village

Founding Congregation of Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry ▪ Stephen Ministry Congregation

Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

Dr. Bob Stelter — Pastor

Greg Bohlken — Ministry Associate

Lynn Rognsvoog — Organist

Collin Kasefang — Choir Director

Lisa Stelter — Worship Graphics

Members of Faith Lutheran Church — Ministers

Sandra Bohlken — Contemporary Worship Leader

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Mary Boring — Office Manager

Phylis Garrison — Publications

Barbara Birkholz — Financial Secretary

Mildred Fenske — Prayer Chain Coordinator

Alicia & David Brondos — Missionaries

WELCOME! As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

INQUIRERS' CLASS today, 10:15am in the Community Room. Want to know more about Lutheranism, our ministries and considering membership? Contact Greg Bohlken at greg@faithloves.org.

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live in the sanctuary or online at:

[YouTube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream](https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream)

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TODAY — 10:15AM

Adult Sunday School, led by John Woods.

Children's Sunday School grades 5 & under.

Teen Sunday School grades 6-12. youth room

WEDNESDAY MUSIC REHEARSALS

HANDBELLS, 5:30pm ♦ CHANCEL CHOIR, 6:30pm

PRAISE TEAM REHEARSALS

Thursdays, 6pm & Sundays, 10:15am

Greening of the Church Sunday, November 26, 12:15pm.

With many hands, it should only take about an hour to prepare for Advent and the joyous Christmas season!

RAISE THE ROOF! Help us preserve our church home. Our roof replacement is in process. To help support this project, please note "Raise the Roof" on your donations.

2024 FLOWER CHART is posted by the library.

COLUMBARIUM NICHES are available to our members for \$1,800 and to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.

NOTICE: Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. Report suspicious items to the office, 865-966-9626.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

COOKIE WALK MEETING, next Sunday 10:15am.

WIDOW'S GATHERING Tuesday, November 7, noon.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
9am Traditional	
Altar Guild	Nancy Dean
Assisting Minister	Marti Poole
Lector	Will Dickinson
Communion Ministers	Lisa Stelter, Virginia McKinney, Mary Bales, Doug Bales
Greeter	Mildred Fenske
Ushers	Randy Stewart, Gary Mount
Offering Stewards	Brad Nelson, Laura Sproat

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Mondays: November 6, 3-5pm & 20, 3-6pm

Needs for our Holiday baskets for our pantry guests & families of students in our local schools:

Jelly (20oz plastic bottles) • Syrup (24oz plastic bottles)

• **Tea bags (20—48 count) • Coffee (1lb ground)**

• **Monetary donations for a ham or turkey.**

Shepherd of Hope donation envelopes are in the narthex.

Contact: Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424.

KNOXVILLE OPERA GOSPEL CHOIR FREE CONCERT today, 5pm, sponsored by Mildred Fenske in memory of her husband, Joe Yarnell. For tickets, sign go to: <https://tinyurl.com/KnoxGospelChoir>.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm led by John Woods.

FIRST WEDNESDAY DINNER & ACTIVITIES

Chili Cookoff Wednesday, November 1.

<https://tinyurl.com/FirstWed110123>



WORSHIP & PICNIC IN THE PARK Sunday, November 12

9am Worship in the sanctuary, 11:11 Worship at Mc Fee Park

♦ Everyone is invited to the Picnic Lunch at noon. ♦

SPIRITUALITY BOOK GROUP Tuesday, November 14, 6:30pm.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Sunday, November 19, 12:15pm.

SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISITS Tuesday, November 28,

5pm. We carpool from church and will take your donations of men's boxer briefs (m-xl), snacks & treats. Contact Michael Lee at 865-405-6585 or Debbie Ragucci, 865-567-1945.

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **FIRST WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP** November 1. Sign up online, meet in the Youth Room, 5:15pm & eat dinner together.
- **YOUTH 3RD SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH** We'll join youth groups from Peace Lutheran Church on **November 19** for activities and fun! **Noon-2pm: 3rd-5th grades** (pack lunch) **3-4:30pm: 6-12th grades.**
- **CANDY MAKING TIME!** Youth & adults gather **Sunday, 11/26, Noon-3pm**, to make candy & sell at the December 2 Cookie Walk. Bring candy recipes, ingredients & supplies. Parents & adult helpers needed. **COOKIE WALK TEEN CANDY SELLERS NEEDED** – join us **Saturday, 12/2, 8am-Noon**. We will sell candy & help with Cookie Walk.



Giving: 10.22.2023

Offerings last Sunday: \$7,762.

Offerings Year to Date \$491,711.

Walk by Faith as of September 30 \$754,327.7

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This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.

FRIENDS: Jenna Barbee, Jane Barnes, Caroline Beavers, Beckwith/Gobel families, David Berdal, Valborg Berdal, Wilma & Vince Bermel, Marsha Bode, Mar Lou Bowling, Sharon Brokenshire, Leslie Ann Brown, Mrs. Buchanan, Ginger Cameron, Michael Carfi, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleve, Wanda Coffey, Jan Colangelo, Marybeth Connor, Jenna Cormany, Virginia Corona, Pam Covington, Lisa Cox, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Milton Creighton, Damico family, Lois Douglas, Brandy & Brian Duke, Joe Edington, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Jordan & Tyler Fordiani, Becky Franklin, Anne Galazin, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Gutelius family, John Hargrove, Ann Harville, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Joy Hymer, Indy Jones, Jeremy Ketterling, Donna Knick, Anthony Koran, Barb Korsmo, Rob Keiser, Anthony Koran, Alexis & Taylor Lee, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Paul Miller, Audra Tyler Moore, Bob Moore, Julie Moore, Reneé Morrow, Lee North, Dennis Oellig, Steve Penney, Fred Pleasant, Susan Roig, Salles families, Marilyn Savilisky, Jessica Savitz, Scaglione family, Terry Serrano, Victor Serrano, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried, Donna Smith, Austin Stephens, Mark Syler, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Natalie Volz, Lynda Welter, Brigette Williams, Virginia Williams, Andrea Wilson, David Wright, Susan Wymer, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Anne, Brian, Caleb, Darcy, Daric, Hannah, Jodi, John, Lily Ann, Lily, Mary, Michael *and those we name to You.*

BLESSINGS: Our Confirmands—Ava Daut, Ethan Daut, Brooke Fisher, Leonie Manthey, Scarlett Parrott, Marly Smith, Cadence Titsworth.

APPRECIATION: Confirmation Leaders—Carrie Parrott, Linda Primka, Will Dickinson, Pastor Bob.

CONGRATULATIONS: Ordination of Isaac Taylor, October 27.

JOY: First Wednesday gatherings each month!

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH: Carl Bohn, Cindy Cormany, Dallas Covington, Kevin Rogers, RobertDeBoo, Ruth Shephard, Michael, Mark Schwarzentraub, Wayne Varnes, Nick Frank, Loise Black.

SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS: Sarah, Stephanie, Samantha, Mikala, Tara, Deniesha, Juan, Snake, Brandon, Andrew, John, Reggie, John, Colin, Steve, J.R., Zach, David, John, Clive, Brad, Larry.

PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE: The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans.

LEARNING & PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT: William Bales at Concordia (Ft.Wayne, IN) Seminary.

PARTNERSHIPS: Bishop Eaton the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

PEACE: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Nathan Goodall, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.

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WEEK OF OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Sunday, October 29 Reformation Sunday-Wear Red! Rite of Confirmation

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*
Adult Sunday School
Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
Rite of Confirmation
5:00pm Gospel Choir Concert *Sanctuary*
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Monday, October 30

Noon Via de Cristo Reunion Group *library*

Tuesday, October 31 Happy Halloween!

1:30pm Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*
6:00pm AL-ANON meeting *zoom*
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Wednesday, November 1 First Wednesday

11:00am AL-ANON meeting
4:00pm Staff meeting
5:15-7:30pm First Wednesday Dinner & Program
5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 2

9:00am Authors Guild
6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Friday, November 3

7:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Group *The Cup*

Saturday, November 4

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Sunday, November 5 All Saints Sunday

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
10:15am Council Q&A
Cookie Walk Meeting
Inquirers Class *Community Room*
Adult Sunday School
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*
Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*
Confirmation Class
Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
12:15pm Council Q&A
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 119:41-48 ; Numbers 33:38-39; James 2:8-13. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 119:41-48; Exodus 34:29-35; James 2:14-26.

Wednesday: All Saints Day. • **Thursday:** Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; Joshua 1:1-11; Romans 2:17-29.

Friday: Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; Joshua 2:1-14; 2 Peter 2:1-3. • **Saturday:** Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; Joshua 2:15-24; Matthew 23:13-28.

All Saints Sunday: Psalm 43; Malachi 1:6-2:9; Matthew 23:13-28.