

REFORMATION OBSERVED

October 26, 2025



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS-LCMS

*Welcoming all to walk together
toward abundant life in Christ.*

THEME: HEARERS AND DOERS OF THE WORD

⁴⁷ Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like:
⁴⁸ he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock.
And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it
had been well built. Luke 6:47–48 (ESV)

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

(Based on Lutheran Service Book page 260)

A NOTE ABOUT SAFETY: We desire to remain a warm and friendly congregation while providing a safe and secure place to worship. To that end, we have a few tips for your participation with us today.

- If you see something, say something. If you happen to notice something out of the ordinary, please mention it to our safety team (yellow badges) or elder (golden badges).
- In a safety emergency, please keep calm and do not leave the secured building unless instructed by a safety team member or elder.

A REMINDER: Please turn your cell phone to mute or to vibrate during the worship service. Thank you.

AS WE GATHER

We are blessed with many freedoms in this country. We have freedom of speech. We have freedom of religion, with the freedom to assemble. We live in the “land of the free and the home of the brave.” It is easy to rely on our citizenship for proof of our freedom. In that way, we are like the Jewish people at the time of Jesus. They relied on their Abrahamic lineage for freedom, recalling the covenant God made with Abraham and his descendants. While these national freedoms are great blessings, in the Holy Gospel, Jesus points out that for true freedom, one must be free from slavery to sin. Only in Christ is anyone truly free.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

The TOLLING OF THE BELLS



OPENING HYMN

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

LSB 660 sts. 1–3



1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross.
 2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;
 3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; Stand in His strength a - lone.



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.
 Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.
 The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead
 Let all His faith - ful serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;
 Put on the Gos - pel ar - mor; Each piece put on with prayer.



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.
 Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose.
 Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.

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INVOCATION & OPENING VERSICLES

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

Psalm 118:24

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

Psalm 113:3

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

Psalm 84:10

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord. *Psalm 25:4*
C **Teach me Your paths.**

P Sanctify us in Your truth. *John 17:17*
C **Your Word is truth.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting, *Psalm 113:3*
C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on confession in the Small Catechism informs and directs us with these words, which summarizes it well.

C **Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**

P Humble yourselves, then, before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

(Silence for personal confession of sins)

P Most merciful God,
C **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean and cannot free ourselves. Daily our sins of thought, word, and deed cause us grief. We have forgotten You even when we needed You the most. Our love for our neighbors has faded. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we come at His invitation seeking the true rest of the forgiveness of our sins. Amen.**

P Upon this, your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 4:1–15

¹Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD.” ²And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. ³In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, ⁴and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, ⁵but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. ⁶The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.”



Cain and Abel

⁸Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” ¹⁰And the LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground. ¹¹And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. ¹²When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” ¹³Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN (10:30am)

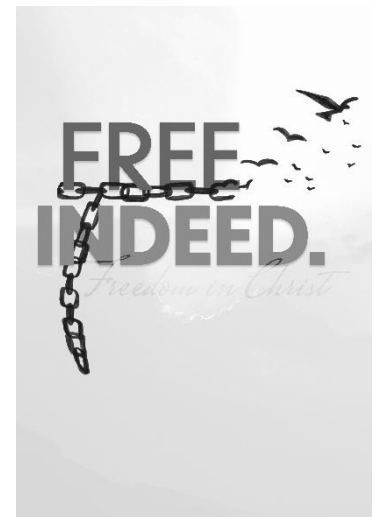
HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

RESPONSORY

P Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P Glory be to the Father and to the T Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

SERMON HYMN

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

2. In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

3. There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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SERMON

Rev. Dr. R. Brian Stolarczyk

OFFERING

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What shall I
render to the LORD
for all his
BENEFITS to me?
Psalm 116:12, ESV

For those worshipping in-person, please indicate your attendance and any requests on the Pew Card.



1. We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
2. May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!
6. And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.



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PRAYER

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned,
and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Hear us especially for *[the family of Scott (friend of Chuck Anderson & Barb Powell),
Diane Barton, Rev. Jim & Donna Cotter, Jim DeGroot, Matt & Amy Doctor (family
of Diane Barton), the family of Randy Hornby (friend of Bill & Dorothy Christman),
Mary Beth Ward]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

HYMN

The Lord's Prayer

Celebration Hymnal 631

Unison

Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, Hal-low-ed

be Thy name. Thy king-dom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread, And for - give us our debts, as

we for-give our debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp-

ta - tion, But de - liv-er us from e - vil; For Thine is the

king - dom, and the pow - er, and the

glo - ry for - ev - er.

A - men, A - men.

† Service of the Sacrament †

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C **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 Him thanks and praise.**



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Mathew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

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John 20:19

LSB 163

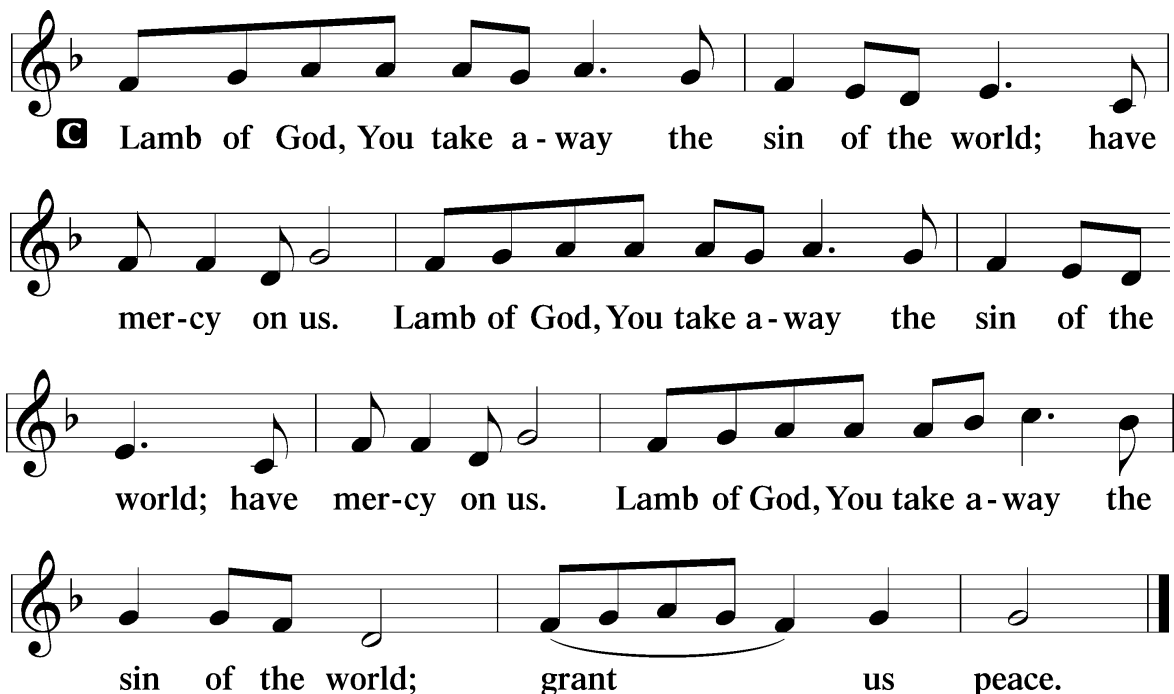
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI

(Latin term means Lamb of God) John 1:29

LSB 163



(Be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Your Table I Approach

LSB 628



- 1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

5. O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
6. Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

Text: Gerhard Wolter Molanus, 1633–1722; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
2. Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we May sing Your praise eternally.
3. O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5. By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?
6. By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

Text: Christian Ludwig Scheidt, 1709–61; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
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BENEDICAMUS

LSB 267

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

Text: tr. composite; Martin Luther, 1483–1546

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SILENT PRAYER & CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE



You have been a blessing to us! Please use this time to “check-in” with your Christian brothers and sisters around you. Coffee and donuts are being served for fellowship at 9:00am in the Fellowship & Ministry Center along with our Adult Bible Class and Youth Sunday School. Please stop by and enjoy.



*We are a **STEPHEN MINISTER** church!*

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LCC recently received a card from Rosemary Kraning's nephew, Dylan Clark.

An update on Dylan – he is currently living with a foster caregiver in the Miami area.

Rosemary was able to visit him recently and shared that he is adjusting well and appears to be in good hands in his new home.

We continue to keep Dylan in our prayers as God's plans for his life unfold.



to everyone at LCC
+ thanks for the love
AND I MISS
ALL OF YOU

Thanks for
everything!

Dylan Clark

Pastor: Rev. Dr. R. Brian Stolarczyk ~ Winter Assistant Pastor: Rev. Jerry Menk

Organist: Stephen Kopp III

Flute Soloist: Raymond Stolarczyk ~ Trumpet: Luke Stolarczyk

Handbell Co-Directors: Bill & Ronna Trueman ~ Vocal Choir Director: Arnie Piering

Clarinet: Bill Trueman ~ Drums: Chris Wrightsman

Saxophone: Cheryl Domingo ~ Trombone: Arnie Piering

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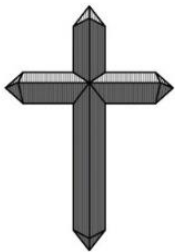
Welcoming all to walk together toward abundant life in Christ

The **ETERNAL LIGHT** this month is provided to the Glory of God by
David Aiken in memory of Corinda Aiken & Marilyn Gordon.

The **FLOWERS** on the altar this week are provided to the Glory of God by
Rosemary Kraning in celebration of brother, Les Begg's birthday and by
RoseMarie McCormick in celebration of Chris & Rebecca Remberg's anniversary (10/06).

WORSHIP SERVANTS

Bell Tollers	Barb Powell, Luke Stolarczyk
Elders on Duty	David Aiken, Wayn Nelson
Lay Readers	Brian Daily, Jax Dill
Usher/Greeters	Kay Helgerson, Donna Leach
Altar Servers	Nancy Bird, Barb Hilgendorf
Safety Team	David Aiken, Mark Keck
Streaming Team	Gloria Cvelbar, Nat Fiordimondo, Kay Helgerson, Marita Noe



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES:

7:30AM & 10:30AM

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In case of Emergency you may reach	<u>Pastor Stolarczyk:</u>	<u>Cell: 941-979-7490</u>
	<u>Pastor Menk:</u>	<u>Cell: 941-327-9453</u>

IN OUR PRAYERS

Homebound Care:

Fran Boatwright, George & Dee Buono, Laura Cox, Millie Cox, Dave & Gayle DeBraccio, Marv & Lil Fitzwater, Aida Florit, Bruce & Connie Frilstad, Betty Golembieski, Hedi Heinrich, Janet Jackson, Cris & Linda Kelly, Val Korman, Ken & Mary Werring

Strength, Healing, Guidance: *

Family of Scott	Friend of Chuck Anderson & Barb Powell; peace
Diane Barton	Recovery & healing
Carol Burgess	Recovery & healing
Bea Butler	Recovery & healing
Betty Lou Cordes	Recovery & healing
Rev. Jim & Donna Cotter	Friends of LCC; strength & faith
Dylan Clark	Strength & courage
Jim DeGroot	Recovery
Amy Doctor	Sister of Diane Barton; strength & healing
Marvin Fitzwater	Recovery & healing
Donna Gendreau	Sister Sue Heim; Recovery & healing
David Gruntman	Recovery & healing
The family of Randy Hornby	Friend of Bill & Dorothy Christman; peace
Sue Heim	Recovery & healing
Sam Jackson	Healing & recovery
Tracy LaCourse	Recovery & healing
Ken Metz	Brother of Jerry Metz; recovery & healing
Chris Sabin	Continued recovery & healing
Dawn Streffling	Daughter in law Bert & Marcia Streffling; recovery
Mary Beth Ward	Recovery & healing

**Prayers will run for four consecutive weeks unless otherwise notified.*

Battling Cancer:

Adriana	Family Noel & Linda Hyde; diagnosed lymphoma
April	Friend of LCC; battling cancer
Bo	Friend of Abby Duwe; undergoing treatment
Jeanette	Sister of Augusto Vazquez; battling cancer
Kevin	Friend of Rene & Sue Richard; cancer
Mike	Son of Phil Woodruff; battling cancer
Bill Docherty	Brother-in-law Joy Hougan; battling cancer, surgery
Matt Doctor	Brother-in-law of Diane Barton; strength & peace
Lisa Anne Denofrio	Daughter Tom & Krystyna Johnson; battling cancer
Rev. Ron Fletcher	Cousin of Mark Polzin; battling cancer
John Kewn	Son-in-law Davis & Del Rozak; battling cancer
Garth Leach	Brother of Donna Leach; battling cancer

Emily Reidel
 Patricia Ruiz
 Dennis Simplot
 Tyra Strelesky
 Lori Truelove
 Arthy Turtotte
 Jim & Ellen Vance
 Connie Warner
 Michael Woodruff

Friend of Dave & Gayle DeBraccio; battling cancer
 Family of Fadely/Maestas family; battling cancer
 Brother in law Pam Specht; battling cancer
 Neice of Bert & Marcia Strefling; battling cancer
 Niece Joyce Schankin; cancer battle; strength, peace
 Friend of LCC; battling cancer
 Cousins of Mark Polzin; battling cancer
 Friend of Mary Woodruff; diagnosed lymphoma
 Son of Phil & Mary Woodruff; battling cancer

Military:

US Army SFC Paul Behling
 USAF TSGT David Cope Jr.
 US Army CSM Matt Hopkins
 USAF Sr. Airman
 Shawn Golembieski
 US Navy ENS Joe Golembieski
 US Navy Seaman Nick Golembieski
 USCG SCPO Robert Kecken
 USAF SrA Riley Latarski
 Marines Sgt. Jonathan Metz
 US Army LT Anastasia Osborne-Black
 Marines LCPL Kyle Spilker
 USAF TSGT Kalin McDonnell
 US Army PFC Parker Woodruff

Son of Ron & Cohleen Nottingham; in MN
 Son of David and Shelly Cope; in NM
 Grandson of Dave & Gayle DeBraccio; in Kuwait
 Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in FL

 Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; in VA
 Grandson of Stan & Betty Golembieski; Seabound
 Son Jerry & Meredith Kecken; in CA
 Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman in ND
 Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Metz; in MD
 Granddaughter Pat Gilreath; in HI
 Grandson in law Chuck Anderson; in CA
 Granddaughter Bill & Dorothy Christman; in MA
 Grandson of Larry & Delila Woodruff; in Fort Bragg

Family Prayer: We remember all our **families** during times of personal and family **trial and tribulation.**

If you know of someone needing church prayers, please contact the church office at 941-627-6060. Be sure to have the name, relationship to the church family and what is the need for the prayer.

LCC ATTENDANCE REPORT & WEEKLY INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT 2025

Week Of: 10/19/2025		
On-Site Attendance 40 / 88	Weekly Contributions	
	Income:	\$ 5,321
	Expense:	\$ 11,170

Day of the Week	LCC Calendar Events from: 10/26/25 – 11/09/2025		
	Event	Time	Location
Sunday	Coffee & Fellowship Hour	8:45am	FMC
	Sunday Bible Study &	9:00am	FMC
	Youth Sunday School	9:00am	FMC
	Raise Right Fundraising Team	9:00am	FMC
	LCC Spaghetti Luncheon	After services	FMC
Monday	LCC SON-Seekers Men's Bible Study	11:30am	FMC
Tuesday	LCC Youth Confirmation Class - 11/04/25	6:30pm	Pastor's Study
Wednesday	LCC Garden Committee	9:00am	Prayer Park
Thursday	Adult Bible Study: LifeLight Series	10:00am	FMC
	LWML Ladies Parish Guild	1:00pm	FMC
	Joyful Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	4:30pm	Sanctuary
	LCC Vocal Choir Rehearsal	5:45pm	Sanctuary
Saturday	Stephen Ministry Supervision - 11/08/25	9:00am	OFH
The LCC Campus is proud to host AA Meetings in our FMC to offer needed support our local community Monday (Women Only) 7:00pm Tuesday (Open to all) 7:00pm Wednesday (Open to all) 7:00pm			

Items listed in **Bold are not always re-occurring each week – please note the posted date with these events
All other events re-occur the same day each week.*

Spaghetti Luncheon is coming November 9th! – All Are Welcome!

🕒 **Time:** Right after Sunday late service

📍 **Location:** FMC

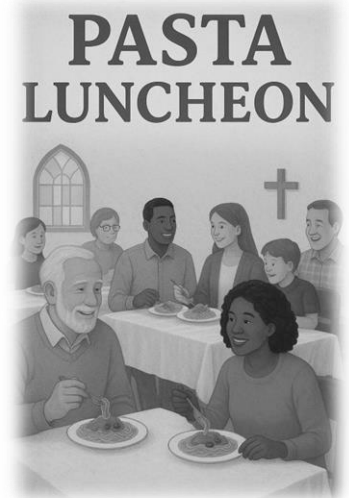
Prepare to join us for a warm, delicious spaghetti meal and even warmer fellowship!

There'll be plenty of pasta and sauce supplied by the fellowship committee, all the good company is provided by YOU!

If you would like to bring an item in to add to the available food – please reach out to Melinda Errede 561-716-3847, Mary Menk 847-682-2995, or Pat Siegmann 941-408-3539.

Everyone's invited — even bring a friend!

Let's share food, faith, and community together.



Setup for this event will take place on Saturday, November 8th, at 10AM in the FMC.

All hands are welcome — *and needed* — to help prepare for this time of fellowship!

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY IS COMING SOON!

In the Letter to the Romans, the apostle Paul reveals the crushing weight of God's Law, condemning us in our sin. When it appears that nothing can tip the scales in our favor, Paul points to Christ's sacrifice on the cross. Christ bore the weight of our sins and paid the price for our salvation. **The class will begin November 6th at 10:00am in the FMC.**

Be sure to sign up in the Narthex as Pastor Menk will be ordering materials soon!



LCC Vocal Choir Season Begins Soon!

Our LCC Vocal Choir is starting a new season under the direction of our talented leader, Rev. Arnold Piering! Join us for our **first rehearsal on Wednesday, November 6th at 5:45 p.m.** If you love to sing and want to lift your voice in praise to the Lord, we'd love to have you join us!



Thank You to Our Summer Lay Readers!

This Sunday marks the final Sunday for our Summer Lay Readers, and we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each one of them for a job well done! Their willingness to serve and dedicate their time on Sunday mornings throughout the summer provides valuable support to our pastors and enhances our worship services. We are truly grateful for their time, faith, and commitment to this ministry.

Interested in serving next summer?

If you'd like to be part of the 2026 Summer Lay Reader team, please reach out to Jennifer and say, *"I want to be a Summer Lay Reader!"* The list for next summer typically begins forming around March and the ministry opportunity runs May through October — we'd love to include you!



TO PASTOR & MARY MENK!

We are so blessed to have you both back for the season!

The office will be closed on-site
Monday 10/27 – Tuesday 10/28.
Office hours will resume Wednesday
10/29. Jennifer will still be available
online during normal hours of
9:00am-3:00pm.
We appreciate your understanding.



**Be sure to set your clocks back at
midnight – November 2nd
Worship still begins at 7:30 and
10:30 – if you don't fix your
clock...you might show up a bit early**