

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church *Reformation* October 27, 2024

## PRELUDE

## RINGING OF THE BELLS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C Amen.**

## KYRIE

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
 hun - gry and the poor; that  
 friends and fam - i - ly; for  
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,

**C** have mercy on us. We confess that in our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## GREETING

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

**C** And also with you.

## HYMN OF PRAISE


*Refrain*




This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

*Refrain*



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

**C Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup> The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It 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. <sup>33</sup> But 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. <sup>34</sup> No 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.

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 46**

*(Refrain: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.)*

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**C <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup> though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**C <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

**C 6 The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth melts away. R**

7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**C 8 Come now, regard the works of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought up on the earth;**

9 behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

**C 10 “Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will  
be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in  
the earth.”**

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. **R**

*(Refrain: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.)*

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28**

<sup>19</sup> Now 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. <sup>20</sup> For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup> since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup> they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom 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; <sup>26</sup> it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. <sup>27</sup> Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By




that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(10 measures organ intro)*



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

The musical score consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics 'Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the'. The second staff continues with 'words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.'. The third staff contains 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.'. The fourth staff concludes with 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.'. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with various note values and rests.

## **Gospel: John 8:31-36**

### **C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup> and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup> They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

The gospel of the Lord.

### **C Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**SERMON**      *Pastor Timothy Holt*

**HYMN OF THE DAY LBW 230**

*“Lord, Keep Us  
Steadfast in Your  
Word”*

## **APOSTLE’S CREED**

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of Heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

**C hear our prayer.**

Lord of all, we give thanks for the whole church throughout the world. Open wide the paths toward unity between denominations so that all followers of Christ may join in shared worship and mission.

God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, in the spirit of reformation we pray for all who cry out for relief from systemic oppression. May the hearts of those who occupy seats of power be reformed so that peace becomes the center of our life together.

God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

Comforting God, be with all who are sick, suffering, or grieving in our own community and beyond (*We pray especially for Rick Bauer, Lavella Breitweiser, Courtney Hagedorn-Drew, Keith Freyberger, Kenny Freyberger, Leroy Freyberger, Lynn Fuhs, Diane*

*Gehlhausen, Harold Hembree, Bill Hoffman, Tammy Kieffner, Shelby Klein, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Eryn Mann, Zander Mann, Gene Mehne, Logan Musgrave, Bryar Rahman, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Kaine Seitz, Cleoramae Stunkel, Martha Jane Tucker, Annie Voelkel, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Surround them with the promise of your love, comfort, and grace that never ends.

God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

Divine Guide, continue to challenge this community to be ever reforming in our ministries and outreach efforts. Inspire creative ideas among us so that the communal, grace-filled word of God remains at the heart of our ministry.

God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, in Christ's resurrection you ensure that though life be wrenched away, death cannot win the day. May the truth of your saving grace through faith sustain our hope for life in you.

God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. (*We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel and Cooper Uebelhor.*) Hear us, O God.

**C hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

## **OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

## **OFFERTORY**

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**C** Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION**

*All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.*

## **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

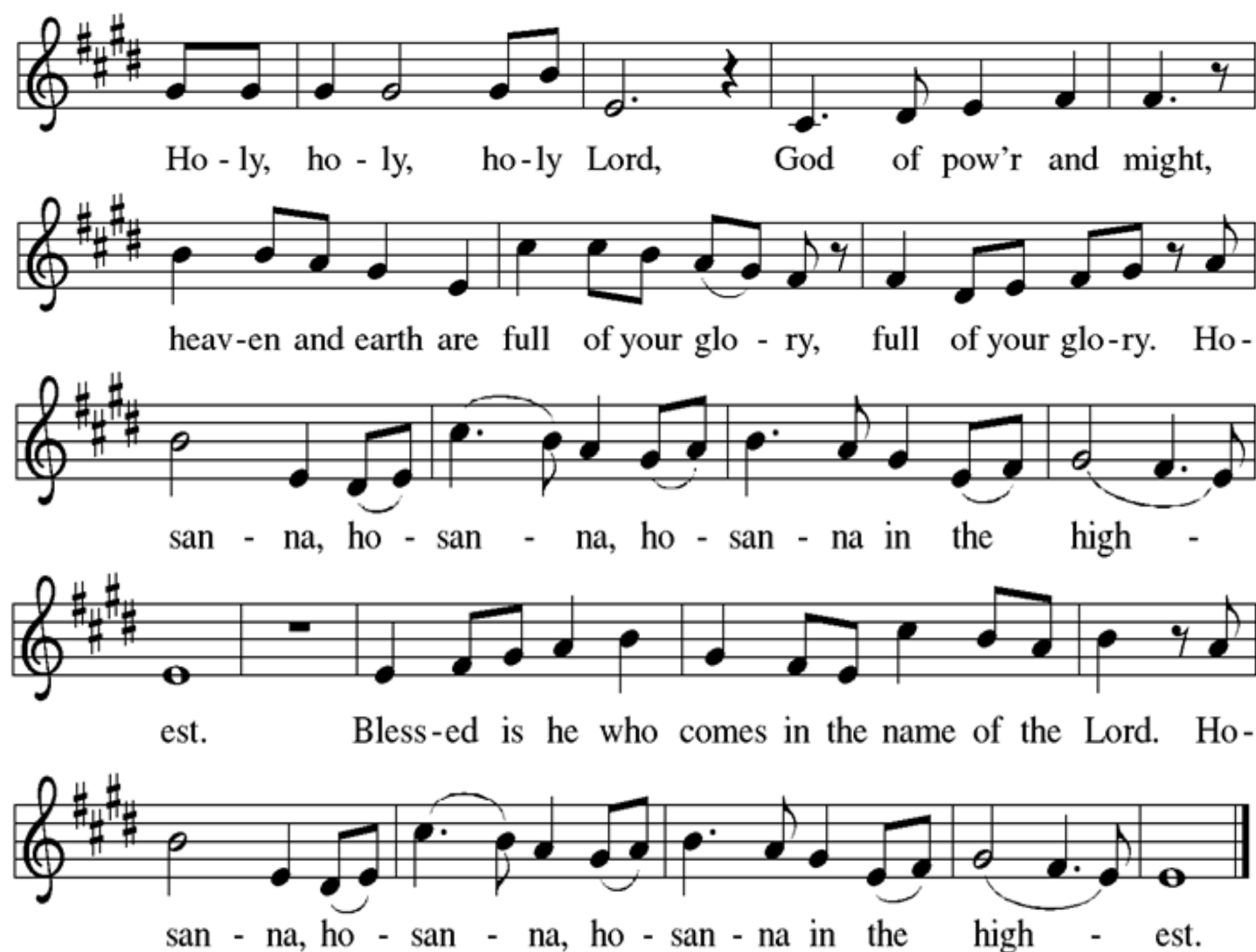
**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **PREFACE**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## SANCTUS



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

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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**

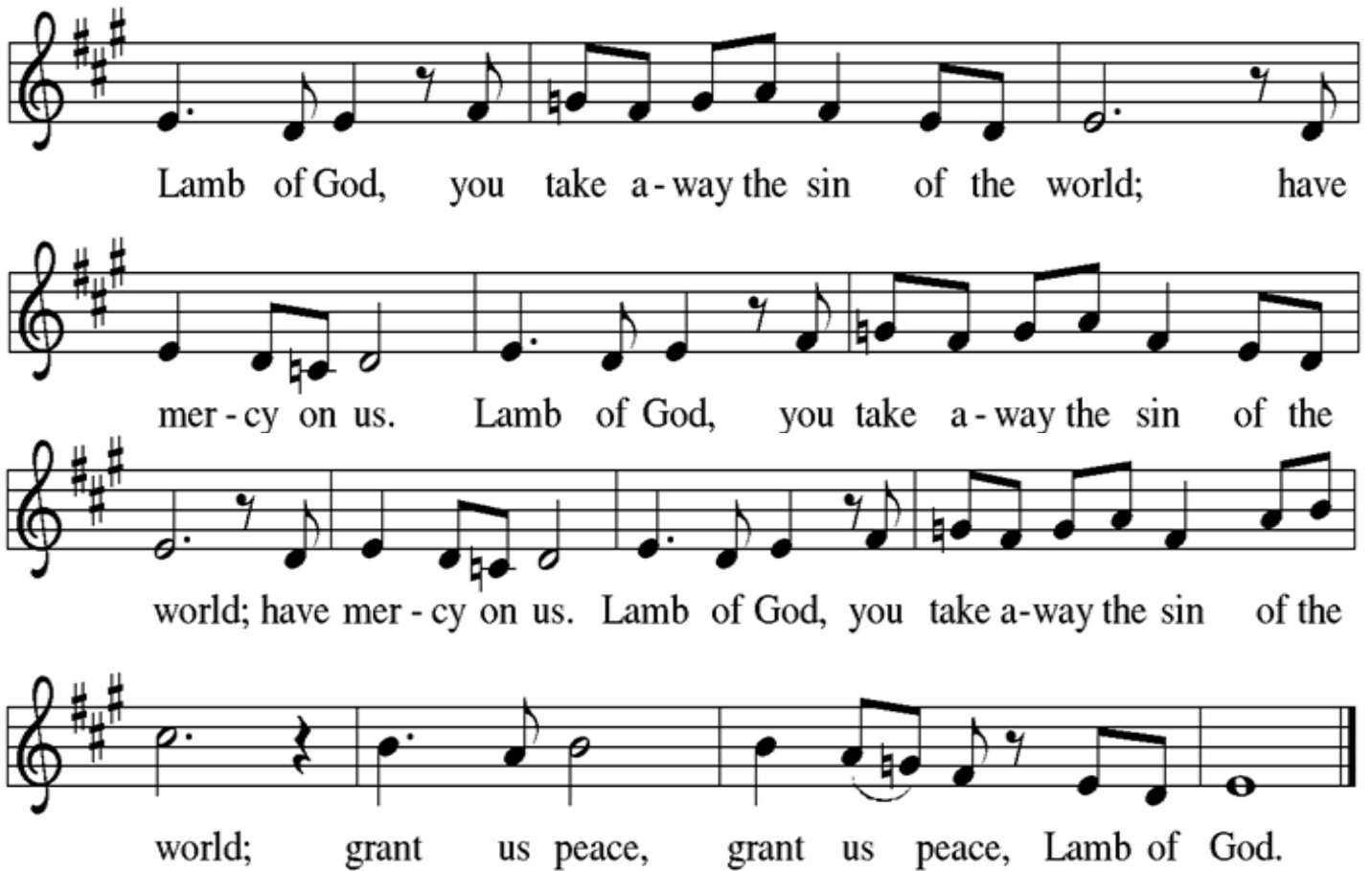
**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **COMMUNION**

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

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

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*LBW 369 "The Church's One Foundation"*

*WOV 712 "Listen, God Is Calling"*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

# POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

May you run and not be wea - ry. May your  
heart be filled with song. And may the  
love of God con - tin - ue to  
give you hope and keep you strong. And may you  
run and not be wea - ry. May your  
life be filled with joy. And may the  
road you trav - el al-ways lead you home.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

**C** Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful ✝ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**      LBW 229      *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

***Mission Statement:*** *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship, Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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# THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

**Greeters:** Jim & Jeanne Hoffman  
**Comm. Asst:** John Potts  
**Video:** Lori Keller  
**Organist:** Arlene Vonderheide  
**Lay Reader:** Duane Hembree  
**Audio:** Keith Keller  
**Acolytes:** Jack Lottes

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 126 SS: 7**

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> - Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024

Wed. Oct. 30 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
Sun. Nov. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service ( <i>Sunday School after Communion – 10:30</i> )

## **ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The flowers on the altar this Sunday are presented in honor of Jon and Barb Schnarr's 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!*

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### **WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS**

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2025 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85 and older, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

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The Women of the ELCA would like to thank the congregation and Thrivent Financial for the support of all our projects throughout the year.

With your support and financial support from Thrivent, we will be able to donate the following items to Lutheran World Relief: 175 Blankets, 49 Personal Care Kits, and 83 School Kits.

Another project overseen by WELCA are the Christmas Shoe Boxes. In November 2023, 56 shoe boxes were filled for children of all ages.

WELCA has donated 145 homemade baby quilts since January. Recipients of the blankets are Memorial Hospital, Memorial Health Family Care, Crisis Connection, Tri Cap, and Southwestern Indiana Child Advocacy Center, all located in Jasper. Baby quilts are also donated to Kosairs Children's Hospital in Louisville, KY. Babies and children who are members at St. Paul's also get a quilt when they are baptized.

Again, thank you all for supporting the many projects the Women of the ELCA oversee.

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**Operation Christmas Child Project!**  
**Bless the children!**

The Women of the ELCA will have the Shoeboxes available inside the Fellowship Hall. Please stop and pick one up or if you prefer, you can fill one of your own empty cardboard shoeboxes. Brochures are



available with the boxes that give an explanation of how and what to do. The filled boxes need to be returned to the church by Sunday, November 17, so that we can deliver to our drop off point that week. If you are not a shopper but still want to Bless a child with a box, there will be a donation box available to make a monetary donation. We will shop for you!

Or, you can build a shoebox online by sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth without leaving home. Visit [samaritanspurse.org/buildonline](http://samaritanspurse.org/buildonline) to get started.

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If you have a college student, please turn in their address to the office, so Evangelism can send them a care package.

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The LYO will be going to the Owensboro Bulls & Ghouls PBR Bull Riding Event on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. The show starts at 8:00 PM ET. We will eat dinner prior to the event. Details on what time to meet will be forthcoming. We need to order tickets

ahead of time so please text Tara Betz (812-827-1263) by Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> if you plan to go.

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LYO Campfire Event at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 PM.

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**In Service to Our Country**

Austin Breitwieser  
AM-1 Luke Himself  
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland  
USS Theodore Roosevelt  
Colorado Springs, CO

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# Sunday School

October 2025

10/6

PreK-1st: Noah

2nd-6th: Noah's Ark

10/13

PreK-1st: NO CLASS

2nd-6th NO CLASS

10/20

PreK-1st: Noah

2nd-6th Job

10/27

PreK-1st: Abraham & Sarah

2nd-6th Abraham & God's Promise