

Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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WORSHIP

Saturday Praise & Worship 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.

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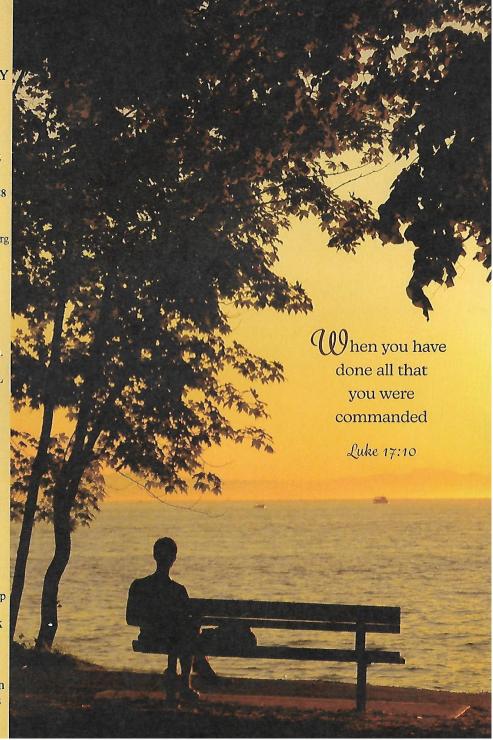
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PRAISE AND WORSHIP

OCTOBER 4, 2025

"CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS AND TO ONE ANOTHER TO SERVE THE WORLD"

As We Gather

"Walking with Jesus"—Today, we continue our Sermon Series around the theme of "walking with Jesus." Over the next few weeks we will unpack this great theme from Scripture to give us encouragement that God walks with us. Today, we explore the theme of "Walking with Jesus: Walking with Faith." By His suffering and death as the substitute for all people of all time, Jesus purchased and won forgiveness and eternal life for them. Those who hear this Good News and believe it have the eternal life that it offers. God creates faith in Christ and gives people forgiveness through Him. Jesus walks with us and the Holy Spirit increases our faith through Word and Sacrament.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is being celebrated today. It is the belief of the Lutheran Church, based on Jesus' own words, that in this Sacrament His body and blood are really present and that forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation are offered to all who come confessing their sins—and believing in Him. Communion is therefore offered to those who share this confession of faith. Children who are not yet confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Guests who may have questions about Communion at Mt. Calvary are encouraged to talk to Pastor Andrew or Pastor Pete.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"Friend of Sinners"

Matt Redman

OPENING SONG:

"Yes I Will"

I count on one thing, The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now
In the waiting, The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
You're working all things out

Chorus 1

Yes I will, lift you high in the lowest valley
Yes I will, bless Your name
Yes I will, sing for joy when my heart is heavy
All my days, Yes I will

I count on one thing, The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now

In the waiting, The same God who's never late Is working all things out You're working all things out

Chorus 2

Yes I will, lift you high in the lowest valley
Yes I will, bless Your name
Yes I will, sing for joy when my heart is heavy
All my days, Yes I will
For all my days, Yes I will

Bridge (x3)

I choose to praise, To glorify to glorify
The name of all names
That nothing can stand against

Yes I will, lift you high in the lowest valley
Yes I will, bless Your name
Yes I will, sing for joy when my heart is heavy
All my days, Yes I will
For all my days, Yes I will
For all my days, Yes I will

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (Lamentations 3:22-24; Psalm 37:5)

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

Amen.

Through desolation and weeping, through bitterness and fear,

through anguish and suffering, through destruction and violence, this we will remember:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is God's faithfulness.

So we will not despair, Christ is our hope and peace. He is the rock of our faith.

The LORD is my portion, says my soul, therefore I will hope in Him.

Trust in the Lord, and do good; take delight in the Lord,

Commit your way to the Lord; trust God, who will act.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Our faith may be small, but God's power is great. Our sins may seem overwhelming, but God's promise of forgiveness is sure. Trusting that God, through the sacrificial suffering and death of Jesus, is able to do for us what we could never do for ourselves. Let us, then, confess our sins.

God of grace,

we confess that the seed of faith within us is small. Hope is often absent. Love is frequently inconvenient. Our sin keeps us from responding to you. Tend to us in mercy, so that we may grow in faith. I ask your forgiveness not because of my own worthiness, but purely for the sake of the passion, death, and resurrection of my Savior, Jesus Christ. O Lord, forgive me, and by your Spirit, lead me on the paths of righteous living for your name's sake. Amen.

The grace of God is given to us in Jesus Christ. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, speaking in the name and stead of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

This is good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

SONG OF PRAISE:

"Mighty to Save"

Everyone needs compassion, Love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Savior The hope of nations

Chorus

Savior, He can move the mountains My God is mighty to save He is mighty to save

Forever, Author of salvation He rose and conquered the grave Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow, Everything I believe in
Now I surrender (Chorus)

<u>Bridge</u>

Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing For the glory of the risen King, Jesus

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King (Chorus 2x)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 (Though evil seems to prevail, "the righteous shall live by his faith.")

- ¹ The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. ² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³ Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.
- ¹ I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. ² And the LORD answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. ³ For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. ⁴ "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Timothy 1:1–14 ("Guard the good deposit entrusted to you.")

- ¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, ² To Timothy, my beloved child:
- ³ I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.
- ⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:1–10 (Temptations to sin.)

¹ And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come!

- ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴ and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."
- ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.
- 7 "Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? 8 Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9 Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? 10 So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MESSAGE: Pastor Andrew Howe

THE TIME OF RESPONSE: Welcome to worship, we are so glad you are here! You are encouraged to fill out an Attendance Card (There is a side for both our guests and members to fill out), and place it in the offering plates, which are located at each entrance of the Sanctuary. If you have an offering, your offering may be placed in these plates, preferably before Worship begins. This helps our usher gather our offerings to bring forward and return them before God.



If you would like to make your offering at Mount Calvary electronically, an easy way is to use the QR Code on the left to access the Vanco online giving option.

SONG OF RESPONSE:

"Abide"

For my waking breath, For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the sun to rise, For my sleep at night
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 1

You're the way the truth and the life You're the well that never runs dry I'm the branch and You are the vine Draw me close and teach me to abide

Where the Spirit leads, As I'm following
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the victories, Still in front of me
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 2

You're the way the truth and the life You're the well that never runs dry

I'm the branch and You are the vine Draw me close and teach me to abide

Be my strength my song in the night Be my all my treasure my prize I am Yours forever You're mine Draw me close and teach me to abide

When I pass through death, As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You
For eternal life, To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
I depend on You (Chorus 2)

THE PRAYERS: After each petition, the Worship Leader will say, "Lord in Your mercy," and the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

THE DISTRIBUTION (An Usher will invite your pew to come forward to receive the bread and individual cup. The center cups in each tray are white grape juice for those who cannot drink alcohol)

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS: "Holy Spirit"

There's nothing worth more, that could ever come close
No thing can compare, You're our living hope
Your Presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
Your Presence Lord

Chorus

Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence, Lord
Your Presence Lord

There's nothing worth more, that could ever come close
No thing can compare, You're our living hope
Your Presence, Lord (Chorus)

Bridge (x4)

Let us become more aware of Your Presence Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Chorus)

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the gift 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.

THE BENEDICTION

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 give you peace.

Amen.

THE CLOSING SONG:

"Trust in God"

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
He's been my fourth man in the fire time after time
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood
And what He did for me on Calv'ry is more than enough

Chorus

I trust In God, my Savior The One who will never fail He will never fail

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I know the author of tomorrow has ordered my steps
So this is my story, and this is my song
Praising my risen King and Savior all the day long (Chorus 2x)

Bridge (2x)

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him, that's why I trust Him (Chorus 2x)

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THE SENDING

Go in peace!

And serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Marie White, who will continue cancer treatment soon.

John "Jack" Trichnotis, Cynthia Trichinotis' grandson, who will be having a heart ablation, October 9th, at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital.

Frank McVay, Tony's father, who is having complications from a hiatal hernia and seeking treatment options.

Isaiah Matthew LeBorious, Pastor Pete and Sonja's newborn grandson, we praise God for a healthy arrival.

Walt Seefeld, who is having some issues with his leg and hip.

Nick Kesler, Liz Hunter's brother, who is recovering from an illness.

Pauline Stadler, Joan Smith's sister-in-law, who is recovering at a rehab center.

For those impacted by the government shutdown

(NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.)

Keep In Your Prayers

Beth Strickland, Grayson Adams, Linda Phillips, Lisalee Starkman, Bobby Platt (Joan Smith's son-in-law), Pastor Craig Michaelson (an LCMS pastor in Las Vegas, Liz Hunter, Jennifer Boeyink, Vicar Zachary's stepmother, Pastor Gerhard Michael, George Schulz, Debbie Hardy, Richard Uitto, Jimmy Eschke (Alyce Quillin's cousin), Susan McEachern, Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law), Marie White, Allen Hickman and Barbara Bauman.

Those Battling Cancer

Pastor Aaron Sterling, Dawna Dugan (Dina Gossman's sister), Bob Yeager, Marie White, Chris Mabee, Michael Deskin (Walt & Cheryl Stafford's son-in-law), Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law), Jeff Grube, John Hanrahan (Mark Dieckmann's brother-in-law), Jenny Tillery (Ed and Kim Rekau's daughter), Walt Stafford, Erika Swaim (Marcia Brighton's mother), Scott Ramsey (Amanda McVay's uncle), Allison Brewer (Jan and Steve Kirchoff's daughter), Marcia Copeland (Maggie Monahan's sister), Jenny Hursey (Fred & Nancy's daughter-in-law), Wilson Baughman, Tom Guilford (Sylvia's oldest son), Matt Voskuil (Debi Cole's son), Jamey Sillence and Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Our Altar Flowers are provided this week</u> by Bruce & Barbara Bauman in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary, and by Dave & Linna Nielsen in celebration of their 39th wedding anniversary (both on October 1st).

<u>Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Jeffrey Harter</u>, Dave's son, from Danny & Kathy Grube.

<u>Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Melissa Wallace</u>, from Don & Judy Parrott.

Mount Calvary has received donations in memory of Judy Nicholas, Michelle Crawford's mother, from Danny & Kathy Grube, Eric & Tammy Jenkins, Jim & Barbara Morey and Mark Dieckmann.

We know it is early but Social Ministry begins planning for our annual Thanksgiving Basket project in October. Times are tough now for many people and if that includes you or anyone you know, we would love to provide a bag filled with food that includes a turkey. Give names with phone numbers to Maggie Monahan by Oct. 25th of anyone that we could share this Thanksgiving blessing with. All recipient information will be kept confidential.

Special Opportunity to Serve: We are in need of volunteers - All are welcome to join the **Altar Guild.** Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your hands and heart can make a difference. No prior experience is needed—just a willing spirit! If you feel called to serve, please reach out to **Toli Van Buskirk / 478-396-1395 /altarguildmclc@gmail.com.**

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." -1 Peter 4:10

Spruce it Up! Spruce it Up! October 12 after the late service a group of us will meet in the Fellowship Hall after late service. We will be cleaning up tables, and steam cleaning chairs. If you would like to help, we would love to have you join us! A light lunch will be provided. If you have a steam cleaner to help with the chairs, please feel free to bring it.

Anniversary Celebration Announcement: With great joy we announce the celebration of Mount Calvary's 45th Anniversary. Join us @ 5:30 pm on October 26th, 2025 for a special celebratory dinner in the Fellowship Hall. We are "fixing our eyes on Jesus" as we honor our past and move forward in God's faithfulness. Invitations with RSVP information will be sent out soon. Please RSVP when that comes available. There is no cost for this celebration event. If you would like to support the cost of this event then you can make a donation marked "45th Anniversary."

<u>Change of Plans – Middle School Youth:</u> Keep the date, change the name. We have replaced the FL/GA District Middle School Gathering with a retreat. The weekend is still the same (November 7^{th} - 9^{th}) but we won't be leaving until 5:00 Friday afternoon. In addition the cost for the weekend is only \$75 (financial assistance is available).

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Trunk-Or-Treat – Church Outreach Event:</u> Wednesday, October 29th! We need people to sign-up to have a TRUNK. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome center.

Trunk-Or-Treat – Church Outreach Event: Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 29th! In addition to Trunk-Or-Treating that evening, there will also be the Pumpkin Patch, Inflatables, A Pumpkin Decorating Contest, A Costume Parade & Contest, and a Hot Dog Dinner. Sign-Ups will be out next weekend for Trunks and helpers.

<u>Pumpkin Unloading – TAG Families & Anyone else who wants to help:</u> This Thursday, October 9th. Pastor Pete will find out the exact time on Wednesday and let you know when to show up and help unload. There will be pizza and drinks for workers.

Young Adult Bible Class: Due to break and vacations, we are not meeting this week (10/5). We will resume our study of the Gospel of Matthew next Sunday, October 12th at 8:30 at Sonja and Pastor Pete's home (413 Erin Way).

<u>College Midweek Bible Study:</u> This group meets online every Wednesday at 8:30. If you are interested in joining us, e-mail Pastor Pete (<u>DCEPete@gmail.com</u>) to receive a link.

Friday Night Party! – Middle School: Youth and friends are welcome to join us on Friday, October 17th from 6-9 pm in the Annex for October's Party. \$5/person covers snacks, drinks, and pizza.

<u>Confirmation Workshop – 8th Grade Youth:</u> This Sunday, October 5th, from noon-1:30. Lunch will be provided for the youth.

Homemade Casserole Orders are being accepted by the ladies of Christ Lutheran Church & School in Perry. All proceeds from this project go to various local and overseas LCMS missions in Pakistan and Honduras, and Christ Lutheran Elementary School. Casseroles are available in both 3 x 5 and 8 x 8 sizes. Vegetable casseroles available are Sweet Potato, Squash, Broccoli and Hash Brown. Meat Casseroles are Wisconsin Ham & Swiss, Lasagna, Chicken Tetrazzini, Mexican Chicken, and Breakfast Casserole. Order by email (christlutheranperry@gmail.com or phone/text Lavern (478) 951-5445 or Lorrie (478) 320-4434. 478-397-5905. Closing date for orders is October 12, 2025. Order forms are on the Information Desk. Thank you!

Pumpkin Patch

Open daily (October 9th – 31st) Noon-7:00 pm.

Invite family, friends, and neighbors to come for some fun and buy a pumpkin.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor Andrew Howe. **LITURGIST**: Pastor Andrew Howe. **ELDER**: Bill Bohm. **LAY READER**: Pruett Burge. **ALTAR GUILD**: Marcia Brighton, Toli Van Buskirk & Carrie Wurdeman.

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Bill Bohm (Sat 6 pm), Mark Dieckmann (Sun 8 am) and Dave Yingling (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES**: Jude Van Buskirk (Sun 8 am) and Alyson Curenton (Sun 10:45 am). **LAY READERS**: Ginger Martin (Sat 6 pm), Kathy Robinson (Sun 8 am) and Bonnie Hudlin (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD**: Marcia Brighton, Toli Van Buskirk & Carrie Wurdeman. **GREETERS**: Alyce Quillin (Sun 8 am) and Maggie Monahan & Gina Ragan (10:45 am).

<u>Last Week's Attendance</u> Saturday – 40 Early – 72 Late – 116 Total – 228

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

4:30 pm

5:00 pm

6:30 pm

8:30 pm

Saturday

Next Sunday

Today 6:30 pm TAG Night 8:30 pm Young Adult Bible Study Monday 1:00 pm Women's Small Group 7:15 pm Bell Choir Tuesday 6:30 pm Boards 7:00 pm Elders Wednesday 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir 8:30 pm College Bible Study Thursday Pumpkin Patch Unloading (TAG Families) 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study

Praise Team Rehearsal

Young Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study

SLDT Meeting