



Scripture Verses for October 5th

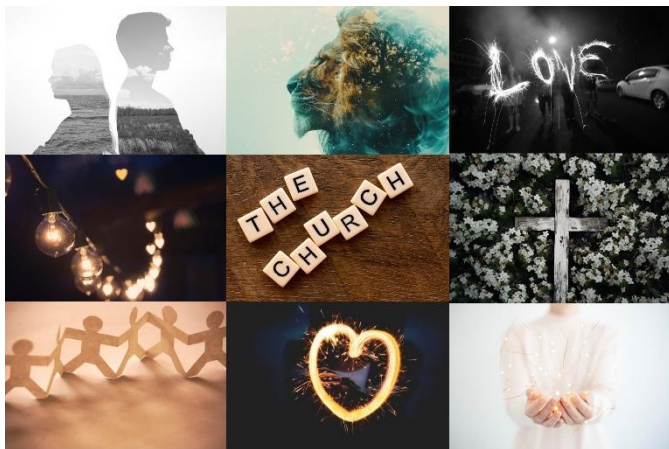
- Psalm 19
- Hebrews 4:11-13
- Luke 4:16-22

Scripture Verses for October 12th

- Exodus 19:3-8
- Mark 2:1-12

Message Series: The Church

Ever thought to yourself, why would/should/do I go to CHURCH? As a pastor, I've even wondered that some days. So what is the local church for? Why does it exist? How is it all apart of God's plan? We get a taste of what things looked like for the early church in Acts chapter 2. Join us this fall as we do a deep dive into the purpose and plan for local churches and how God is using them to bring His kingdom here on earth. Embark on an adventure with us as we explore how God uses the community of believers together to create a family where you are known and loved, experience generosity, challenged to step out of your comfort zone, and find unity. In a life full of ups and downs called to do life together. You're not alone!!



October Campus Meal THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who donated food to make the meal such a success. You are a blessing to so many students!

Family Winter Retreat!

What? Why would you even mention snow! I'll bet that's what you are thinking when you read this. Well, we are starting to get an idea on how many people might be interested in a **winter retreat at Camp Luther in Three Lakes, WI.** When you ask? **February 20-22nd 2026.** There will be snow tubing, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, broomball, campfires, fun potluck meals and worship time together. We are putting together a list of families interested and looking at renting out their cabins for the retreat. You can find out more about the cabins [HERE](#). Cost for the weekend will vary but we anticipate about \$300-\$400 plus your food. **Contact Pastor Chad or Megan Johnston ((612) 242-0068) for more information and to get signed up!**

<https://campluther.com/camp-luther-cottages>



College Bible Study

We are so excited to invite the students back to LMC for [two options](#) for Bible Studies. **Thursday evening at 7:00 PM** mentored by Monica Bylander along with Steve & Jacky Rolf. **Sunday evening at 7:30 PM** student-led study mentored by Micah Thompson. LMC, we could use your help in providing snacks for the Thursday night Bible Study. The sign-up sheet is in the fellowship Hall on the table. Thank you for supporting this important mission field!

Costa Rica Prayer List:

For those of you who were able to be at the Costa Rica presentation last weekend (and for those who weren't...) We had a question about how we can be praying for the ministries happening in Costa Rica:

- Employment for church members and community folks (banana plantation)
- Youth knowing the truth of Jesus and choosing that over what the "World" offers
- Leadership in the family, community, and church from the men. That God builds up strong male leadership
- New Church building plans and church plants
- Raising up leaders within the church



Trunk or Treat is Coming Up Sunday, October 26th from 4:30 - 6:00 pm!

We are excited to be hosting this incredible community event again this year! We are expecting 400 people, including our community helpers - police, firefighters, EMTs, and much more! There are lots of ways to help! Check out the **signup sheets at church or [online](#)**.

- First and foremost, we need your **prayers!**
- [We need trunks](#) - cars, trucks, SUVs, classic cars and motorcycles for the main event! We will even provide the decorations if needed.
- [We need lots of candy](#) and fruit snacks! (We almost ran out last year!)
- [We need volunteers!](#)
- We need Bibles, Devotionals, Kids' books, and Thrivent t-shirts for the Freebies Table!

Please contact April Rixmann if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support.



Gertens Christmas Plant Fundraiser for Youth: Plants & Greens for Home Use!

LMC Youth look forward to another great year of selling Gertens greens and poinsettias this holiday season. Youth receive 30% of all purchases - including poinsettia's designated for church beautification. Funds raised will be used to reduce youth out-of-pocket costs for the upcoming mission trip to Lake Traverse Reservation in SD, in addition to other trips and events.

Greens - Order Online (Credit/Debit Card Only)

Purchases for greens and gift cards can be made at www.gertensfundraising.com. Enter store code: **94**. All greens purchases will be for home use only. For pictures/prices of greens - [Click Here!](#) Green will be delivered **Tuesday, November 25th**.

Poinsettias - Order Forms (Cash/Check Only)

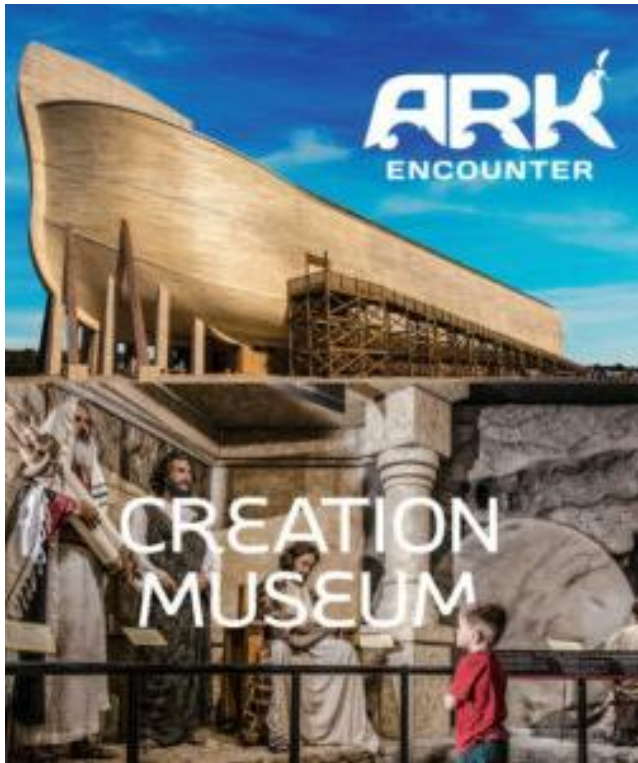
For pictures/prices order form of poinsettias - [Click Here!](#)

Order forms for Poinsettias are also available in the LMC fellowship hall. Please mark on the form if your poinsettia purchase is for home or church use. Poinsettias will be delivered **Thursday, Dec. 4th**.

Orders for both greens and poinsettias must be completed online or turned in by 10:00pm on **Sunday, Oct. 26th**.

Please indicate online (greens) or order form (poinsettias), which youth you would like your funds to be directed toward. If you would like your funds to be dispersed amongst all youth, please write, "All Youth."





Creation Museum and the Ark

Encounter Are you interested in biblical history with exhibits, botanical gardens, planetarium and zoo animals? What about Noah's Ark? In Petersburg, Kentucky is the Creation Museum which allows you to venture through biblical history in 7 parts called the Seven C's beginning with Creation and a walk through the Garden of Eden. There is an exhibit about Israel during the time of Jesus called Borderland. Then 40 miles away in Williamstown, KY is the Ark Encounter. The Ark features a full size Noah's Ark that is 3 decks filled with exhibits that allow you to experience what Noah's life may have been like. There is a restaurant at each location with other dining options which includes coffee, ice cream and candy. And yes there is some shopping in the Gift Shop. This trip would be 5-6 days, which includes travel days and 3 days at the Museum and the Ark, We are able to get a 3 Day Bouncer Pass which offers unlimited visits to both attractions. We could do a day and a half at each. The parking is extra. We could include a river cruise on the Ohio River if there is interest and would be optional. The costs will include transportation, lodging, the pass with parking and nutrition. No date has been decided. Please text or email me (I will be out of the country from Oct 8th to Nov 5th, but still available by email). I hope to be available at church on Nov 9th for questions.



Bags for the Homeless

We are starting to notice the chill in the air at night now, and that makes me think about the homeless. As a congregation, we are hoping to take donations for specific items that we can assemble into "Bags for the Homeless." The bags will be available for the congregation to take (free of charge) and keep in your vehicle. If you see a homeless person or someone that could use the bag, we are hoping you feel free to hand it to them, find out their name, and offer to pray for them. Below are the items we will be collecting. (Place them in the box in the LMC entryway):

Socks, Gloves, Hats, Handwarmers, Band-Aids, Washcloths, Soap, Energy Bars, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Hand Sanitizer, Gift Card (Fast Food)

The Sunday school kids will be packing the bags on **November 2nd**. Please bring items to LMC by **Wednesday, October 29th**.



Coffee for a Cause! We are serving

"Promised Grounds" coffee on Sunday morning during "Sweet Jesus" time. We will have the coffee available for purchase (whole bean only). Proceeds will go toward C4 continents missions and every ounce sold is an ounce of clean water for someone in a 3rd world country through "Filters of Hope!"

[BUY HERE](#)



Youngish Adult Missional Community:

If you are a young'ish adult and have been looking for a Bible study group, and/or some fun folks to hang out with that also love Jesus, check out the LMC Young'ish Adult Group! They are now meeting every week on Tuesdays at 5:00 for a meal and then study, beginning around 6 pm. We will be diving into *Practicing the Way* by John Comer Mark Comer as we learn practices for Following Jesus everyday. Want to know if this group is right for you? Call/text Brandon: (715) 781-6063 or Bekah: (612) 806-6718. Childcare is provided.

Opportunity to Submit Prayers to

Pastor Chad: Submit a prayer to Pastor Chad with this [LINK](#) or scan the QR Code. All prayers will be anonymous unless indicated otherwise. If you'd like the church to pray for them, please indicate that. The power of prayer is SO GREAT!



Giving at LMC: We recognize we have givers from every generation at our church, so whether you're still writing a check faithfully, or if you give online, we're excited to announce we recently added four new ways to give using digital wallets:

1. PayPal
2. Apple Pay
3. Google Pay
4. Venmo



When you go to the Give Now Link, Choose my account and then payment method. You can then choose from your bank account (ACH) or one of the other above methods listed above.



Raise Right Cards: Gifting that gives

back! Find gifts for everyone on your list while raising funds for Luther Memorial. Shop gift cards from over 750 top

brands. Whether you buy the gift cards to give as presents to family and friends, or to use them to buy your gifts— Luther Memorial earns with every gift card purchased. You may also pick up a retailer list and order forms at the Raise Right table on Sunday mornings. You may also order cards in the church office. Refer to the dates below for ordering dates. Scan the QR Code to order from the entire online catalog.

This Week at Luther Memorial:

Sunday 10/5	8:00 AM Sunday Worship 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Sunday Worship 7:30 PM Unashamed UWRF Study
Monday 10/6	2:00 PM Ellen & Brian MC @ LMC 6:30 PM Slate Missional Community 7:00 PM Brace Missional Community
Tuesday 10/7	9:30 AM Women's Journey Team 11:00 AM LMC Staff Meeting 5:00 PM Young'ish Adult Group 6:30 PM Ross Missional Community
Wed 10/8	8:30 AM Mid-Week Connect 6:00 PM Mama's MC @ Crystals' 6:30 YOUTHerans 6:30 PM Teen/Parent Discussion
Thursday 10/9	8:00 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM NAMI 7:00 PM College Bible Study
Sunday 10/12	8:00 AM Sunday Worship 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Sunday Worship 7:30 PM Unashamed UWRF Study

Worship Assistants: October 5th

October 5th	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
MUSICIANS	Anita Slate	Anita Slate
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Kris Strub	Kris Strub
USHER	Tony Bylander	Sandy Bowen
GREETER	Wurdell Family	Candy Bettendorf
CLICKER	Greg Wurdell	Levi Schuermann
ALTAR FLOWERS	Pat & Wayne Armstrong Anniversary	
READER	Kris Strub	Trevor Wahlquist
VIDEOGRAPHER	Gabe Wurdell	NA
RAISE RIGHT	Tony Bylander & Linda Kirk	
FOOD SHELF	Anita Slate	
ALTAR GUILD	Catherine Elzinga & Michael Guell	
LAWN MOWING	Dan Halverson	
SWEET JESUS	Thompson Family	

Worship Assistants: October 12th

October 12th	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
MUSICIANS	Praise Team	Praise Team
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Chad Schuermann	Chad Schuermann
USHER	Ed Swenson	Pat & Susan Pierce
GREETER	Dan Halverson Family	Quentin & Marilyn Schultz
CLICKER	Brian Schultz	Anita Slate
ALTAR FLOWERS	Pat & Wayne Armstrong Anniversary	
READER	Bobbi Jo Lierman	Heide Bishop
VIDEOGRAPHER	Monica Bylander	NA
RAISE RIGHT	Susan Pierce & Marilyn Schultz	
FOOD SHELF	Anita Slate	
ALTAR GUILD	Catherine Elzinga & Michael Guell	
LAWN MOWING	Mike Drinken	
SWEET JESUS	Turchin Family	

