



CALVARY LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL



Church Newsletter

October 2025

From the Pastors

I am with you always to the end of the age. Matthew 28:20

Our congregational study begins in a few weeks and we're taking a journey. We will be following Jesus through the Holy Land with well-known Christian author Max Lucado.

A few years ago (right before the pandemic broke) I had the opportunity to visit many of the sites that we will be looking at in the video series. I enjoyed the opportunity to explore the history, culture and geography of Israel. Here are some of the things I noticed.

In the United States we have a relatively short history and a huge country. Israel is the opposite. The entire Holy Land can fit in the state of Indiana over four times. The distance from the northern to the modern southern border is roughly the same as travelling from the Michigan state line to Kentucky. The Holy Land has a long history. I was asking my guide about the different walls that surround Jerusalem. He referred to one set as the modern walls. I asked when they were constructed. He told me they dated to around the 1500's.

There are many significant archeological discoveries in the past seventy years. David's palace and the pool of Bethesda have revealed many interesting insights into life in Jerusalem in the days of the Bible. A first century synagogue in Magdala (Mary Magdalene's hometown) has been partially excavated and restored. Capernaum (Peter's hometown) has seen significant exploration as well. All of these discoveries have helped us to know more about the places and people and customs that we read about in the Bible.

Many ancient and modern churches that have been built up around the Biblical sites. You can meditate at a church that is built near the Garden of Gethsemane or at the site of the Sermon on the Mount or even the site of Jesus birth in Bethlehem. While the provenance of some of these churches can be debated, it is fascinating to be close to where some of the events of Scripture took place. I appreciated the opportunity to walk the steps of temple in Jerusalem, almost certainly a place where Jesus also walked.

Different Christian traditions place different emphasis on pilgrimages to the Holy Land. My visit got me to thinking about how Lutherans approach a theology of place. The Holy Land is important because it reminds us that Jesus was a real historical figure, and the Bible is a story of real people and real places. But we don't have to go to the Holy Land to be close to Jesus. His promise is that He sends his spirit through His Word. And he promises that as we receive the bread and wine of communion that he dwells in us. Making a journey to the Holy Land is a great blessing and a wonderful experience. But so is travelling to the altar on a Sunday morning to meet Jesus and to receive His real presence with fellow travelers on this journey.

In Christ, *Pastor Mark Schumm*

General News

OCTOBER IS PASTOR / CHURCH WORKER APPRECIATION MONTH

October is when we take time to recognize the faithful service of our church ministry staff. Please say a prayer, share a word of thanks, or send a card to show your appreciation. A box will be provided in the narthex to drop a card or note.

Kurt (Sarah) Ebert (Senior Pastor), **Mark (Joan) Schumm** (Associate Pastor), **Sam (Molly) Troemel** (Associate Pastor), **Udhay (Kalai) Raji** (Tamil pastor & hospital chaplain), and **Brian Krohmer** (Youth Director).

Retired pastors at Calvary, **Howard (Bev) Fabricius**, **Harvey (Carol) Lange**, **Ray Main**, **Jim (Connie) Myers**, **Art (Joy) Wehrmeister**, and **Dave (Jill) Bliss**.

Upcoming Congregational Study

From **October 18/19 through November 22/23** Calvary is beginning a congregational study; *"In the Footsteps of the Savior"* by Max Lucado. In this study, Lucado takes readers on a virtual tour of the Holy Land, to connect them with the places Jesus lived, taught, and performed miracles. The study encourages a deeper reflection on Jesus' life and ministry, helping followers understand how to walk with Him in their own lives and experience spiritual growth.

The goal of the congregational study is to have the entire congregation focused on the same topic. This also runs concurrently with a sermon series. Small groups and sermons serve to encourage, edify, and enhance our personal understanding. There are small groups meeting every day of the week. Some are held at Calvary, others in host homes, and there is an online option as well. If you are unable to find a group that suits your schedule, you are welcome to do the study on your own.

Small group registration will take place at tables in the lobby through October 18/19.

workbooks are available for purchase for \$10.

GriefShare Surviving the Holidays

The holidays are often painful for adults grieving the loss of a loved one. Compassion Ministry is hosting a GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" seminar **Wednesday, November 19**, 6:00 p.m. in Room 125. There is no cost to attend; a light supper and book will be provided. Please help us plan by contacting Mike Loudon or Roxanne Deardurff if you plan to attend.

GriefShare

Faith-based grief support, help & encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, friend. Wednesdays through November 13, 6:00- 8:00 p.m. Led by trained facilitators Mike Loudon and Roxanne Deardurff. Sessions include videos by experts in grieving, support group discussion, personal study/reflection. Open to everyone. Begin attending at any time; sessions are not sequential. Contact Mike Loudon or Roxanne Deardurff for more information.

General News

Lutheran World Relief Promise Project—School Kits

The Women in Mission have 150 school backpacks to fill and send to Lutheran World Relief. The backpacks will support children around the world with school supplies. Plan to help pack backpacks on **Fri., Oct 10 at 9:00 a.m.** Questions? Contact Karen Hand.

Puzzle Exchange (Sat., Oct 11)

Join us for a Puzzle Exchange with drawings and prizes on **Sat., Oct 11, 10:00 a.m.** in the gym. Bring puzzles and exchange for new-to-you puzzles. If you need help transporting your puzzle collection for the exchange or additional info, contact Corina Hendershott.

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our annual Thanksgiving food drive is soon to begin! Calvary looks forward each year to supporting families in Calvary's church and school. Beginning on October 25/26 grocery bags will be available in the narthex with suggested items listed on the bag. Your donations will be accepted the first 3 weekends in November. Thank you in advance for supporting our Calvary members!



October Memorials

In Memory of Susie (Holton) Myers:

Elise Wolf



Sunday School Attendance Awards Summer 2024-25

Faithful

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| Gracelyn Andrews | Madison Andrews | Haddie Benzinger |
| Reece Hernandez | Damon Honebrink | Layla Honebrink |
| Tyson Honebrink | Annabeth Jackson | Willard Jackson |
| Trenton Kamp | Paisley Langhammer | Landon Madden |
| Kam En Mang | Oliver Marrero | Nang Sian Piang |
| Claudia Soberalski | Luke Soberalski | |



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| Eliana Marrero | Logan Marrero | Lucas Marrero |
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Stewardship Ministry

Christian Stewardship is Our Responsible Use of God's Gifts

Thanks to the Calvary family for your continuing generosity of time, talents and treasures for the benefit of His kingdom. A Christian steward is one who is called to responsibly use all of God's gifts for His purposes. Gifts include things like the Sacraments and the Word, and they also include our family and friends, our talents and skills, our money and resources. Everything that God has given to us was provided so that we may be blessed to use it for His kingdom. In Calvary's monthly newsletter we regularly report on the many examples of how we as a church community are putting this into practice.

Financial and Estate Planning Workshop – Wednesday October 8

Mark your calendars – The Stewardship Ministry Team is hosting a Financial and Estate Planning workshop on Wednesday, October 8 at 6 PM. There will be presentations made by practitioners who will provide insights on Elder Law, Medicare Planning and Investment Strategies. Dinner will be provided. This workshop is open to everyone so please help us spread the word to your friends and neighbors. So that we can better plan for the amount of food needed - please RSVP.

Capital Campaign “Calvary Connects” to Launch in Early October

We've all seen the progress that has already been made as we begin to upgrade our facilities, including the new Calvary Café and the remodeled women's restroom. Facility improvements and upgrades are much needed and are consistent with the actions recommended by the most recent Calvary strategic plan to better connect Calvary with the community. Calvary's leadership decided early this year to move forward with some initial projects with the understanding that a capital campaign would be launched to fund the majority of the work. Please watch for additional details the on the upcoming Calvary Connects capital campaign.

4th Quarter Mission Envelopes Designation – Wycliffe Bible Translators

Gifts received in the fourth quarter of this year (October through December) either in the red-lined “Mission” envelopes or designated generically for “Missions” in your online giving or on the regular offering envelopes are going to the support the work of Chris and Allie Fiorello who are affiliated with Wycliffe Bible Translators. For several years, Chris and Allie Fiorello have been a vital part of this Bible translation movement. As one of our Ministry Partners, Calvary continues to provide support to their ministry through our prayers and monetary gifts to Wycliffe.

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YV8S/campaign/C-103Q9>

Thrivent Action Grants

Please remember that All Thrivent members are eligible to receive up to two Thrivent Action Grants a year. Action grants in an amount of up to \$250 each are available for many projects at Calvary. Recent projects that have been partially funded with Thrivent Action Grants include the Fall Mum Sale and the July El Salvador Mission trip. Have questions about connecting your Thrivent membership to a project? Contact Stewardship.

Compassion Ministry

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our annual Thanksgiving food drive is soon to begin. We look forward to supporting our church and school families as well as members of the community with boxes of canned goods in time for the holidays. Grocery bags with suggested donations will be available in the narthex beginning the weekend of October 25/26 with donations accepted for the first 3 weekends of November. Thank you in advance for supporting this endeavor!

Cancer Companions are Ready to Support You!

Whether you are in need of prayer support or wish to gather with others who have cancer in a group setting – we are here to serve you! Group support sessions begin on Sunday, October 5, at 3:00 p.m. in the conference room. Sessions are not sequential, so you may join at any time.

Call the church office or Diane Gibson 741-9686 to register or ask questions. Flyers are available at the welcome center in the narthex or in the church office. Feel free to invite anyone you know who might need encouragement on their cancer journey.

The Compassion Team Needs Your Input

Our compassion team is putting together a list of 'help' resources for our congregation. When you have a need for outside services or support, it's nice to know of some reputable local companies, services, or programs. We'd love your input! What resources have you used that have been a support to you? Please contact Diane Gibson if you have a resource in the Indianapolis or Greenwood area you would like to add to the list.

Categories include:

- Transportation
- Home maintenance recommendations
- Aging support such as CICOA and PACE
- Caregiver support
- Home care, respite care
- Hospice
- Disability support
- Celebrate Recovery programs
- AA and Al-Anon groups
- Legal aid
- Marriage and family counseling
- Mental health counseling
- Financial support
- Food support

Adult Ministry

Lunch OUT! Wednesday, October 1, 11:00 a.m.

For our "First Wednesday" in October outing, we're meeting at Longhorn Steakhouse, 4820 E. Southport Road, Indianapolis.

Tables will be saved for Calvary Lutheran, no reservation needed. Adults of all ages are welcome – come join us for good food and some fun Christian fellowship.

Questions? Contact Barb Sorgius, 317-783-2000.

Lunch & Learn Wednesday, October 15, 11:00 a.m.

Presenter: Missionary Jon Lieberman, Chosen People Ministries

Program: He will discuss their history using the traditional elements of a Jewish Passover Seder and their mission of working with Christian Jews.

Lunch: Pork loin, scalloped potatoes, green beans, and dessert.

Cost: Suggested donation: \$5.

Questions? Barb Sorgius, 317-783-2000.

Adult Ministry Day Trip (Wednesday, October 22nd, 10:00 a.m.)

A day trip is planned to have lunch at the Farmhouse Café and Tea Room in Bean Blossom, IN, **Wednesday, October 22nd**. We will leave from the north parking lot of Calvary at 10:00 a.m. and eat lunch at 11:00 a.m. when it opens. They do not take reservations. RSVP to Barb Sorgius if you plan to attend and if you will be carpooling with us (317-783-2000). Please check out their website to view the menu and beautiful pictures of the café and its surroundings filled with flowers, etc.

Youth Ministry

FLIGHT (High School Youth Group)

The high school youth group meets weekly on **Sunday nights from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** Check the church bulletin for weekly updates regarding specific weekly events.

LAUNCH (5th-6th grades)

All 5th and 6th grade youth are invited to the next LAUNCH event on **Saturday, October 25th from 6:00-9:00 p.m.** for our Camp-In!

SAIL (7th-8th grades)

All 7th and 8th grade youth are invited to the next SAIL event on **Saturday, October 25th from 6:00 p.m. through Sunday, October 26th at 7:30 a.m.** for our Camp-In!



Executive Director

From Your Executive Director

This time of the year, I worry that my monthly letter runs the risk of being like the 1993 movie "Groundhog Day": the temptation to talk about and celebrate the Reformation runs deep. (508 years this year, by the way.) Instead, I am going to discuss a different kind of reformation, one that happened in 1839 in Perry County, Missouri, among the Saxon Germans who arrived in the United States to establish a colony of Lutherans.

If one reads the history of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod in the book "Zion on the Mississippi", the events leading up to 1839 are well documented. In a nutshell, Germans faithful to the Lutheran doctrine objected to the Prussian Union foisted on the church by the Emperor Friedrich Wilhelm III in 1817. Known in Germany as "Old Lutherans" they left the country and emigrated to the US, arriving in St. Louis.

After buying land and relocating to Perry County, Martin Stephan, one of the pastors, was declared to be the bishop of the colony. Stephan's leadership – or some might say rulership – of the colony did not last long, for in the spring of 1839 he was accused of sexual misconduct, and on May 30th deposed and excommunicated for that misconduct (as well as embezzlement). He was banned from the colony, placed in a boat and forced to row across the Mississippi River to Illinois, leaving C.F.W. Walther as the senior pastor for the colony.

Then came a conundrum: having no bishop, the colony worried they did not have a legitimate church. From this came what is now known as the Altenburg debate, between Walther and Adolph Marbach, a lawyer. This debate centered on how the church would be led and who would lead it. To cut to the chase of the outcome: a pastor would be the spiritual leader of the church, and the laity would be the secular leaders of the church. Pastors would be responsible for preaching and teaching the Word of God in its purity and administering the sacraments faithfully. The lay people would be responsible for the day-to-day operations. What an amazing reformation this was to the Lutheran church at the time – and perhaps one of the many reasons Walther is sometimes called "America's Luther". He reformed the way in which our churches would operate. No longer top down, but members with a voice.

And this is what makes congregations in the LCMS different from many other denominations. We are not adherent to an episcopal structure with bishops and archbishops telling the congregations what to do. We each determine how we operate, with our pastors being our spiritual leaders. At Calvary, we exercise this freedom in our congregation by the way we are structured – and how we adopt our own mission and vision as a congregation: To Engage People in Christ, through Learning, Caring, Connecting. We decide what our role is as Christ's church, not a third-party forcing direction on us from afar. As Walther believed, when people are gathered around the Word of God and His sacraments, and these are properly taught, then there is a legitimate church. How fortunate we are to have this freedom to act: God entrusts us to make the best decisions for His people here at Calvary and for our community!

Let us continue using this freedom in our congregation, keeping the spirit of the Reformation alive. *Sola fide, sola scriptura, sola gratia! And sola Christus! (Faith Alone, Scripture Alone, Grace Alone! And Christ Alone!)*

In His and Your service,

Bill Laut

The Unused Portion

Goods are packaged in a variety of ways. Dry goods are usually boxed or contained in cellophane packaging. Foods requiring refrigeration are placed in proper containers able to handle the frozen and refrigeration conditions. The goods that are packaged like apple sauce, mayonnaise, salad dressings, condiments, and the like seemingly always have a portion that remains in the container. No matter the time and effort consumed to completely empty the container, a portion of the product remains unused. Many of these containers incorporate a design aiding in holding and grasping. The result is interior niches and spaces that make it impossible to fully use every portion bought. Imagine if the millions of these manufactured containers were able to be emptied completely the amount of food that would be available instead of being tossed in the garbage. A portion of these food products which were processed to be used and consumed are now only wasted. God has created each of us with unique gifts and talents. These gifts are to be used and consumed in His service. Just like the containers often contain unused product, as God's vessels we too may fail to fully use the gifts of His Spirit according to His Will. We have been created in His image. Through God's equipping we are commanded to tell others the Good News that is ours to share. God does not desire for us to throw away any of our time, talents, or treasures but to fully consume them as He leads and directs us. The work of God never ceases. We are privileged each day to share this message with the students and families of Calvary Lutheran Church and School.

Parent Teacher Conferences & First Trimester

Our first trimester will be completed on Friday, November 14. Report cards will be distributed on Wednesday, November 19. Parent Teacher conferences for Kindergarten 8th grades are scheduled for Wednesday, October 8 and Thursday, October 9 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Students in Preschool, Kindergarten through 8th grade will be dismissed on Friday, October 10 at 1:00 p.m. **Please note:** No PS-K; 1-8 afternoon school Extended Care on October 10.

Fall Break

School will not be in session on Monday, October 13 through Friday, October 17. This fall break matches a week of Perry Township's fall break. School will resume on Monday, October 20.

Bible Quiz

Our Bible Quiz Team will be competing in this academic competition on Tuesday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m. at LHSI. The team has been studying the Old Testament Book of Judges. They will answer questions in this book as they compete with the other Lutheran elementary schools in the Indianapolis area. We thank Mrs. Faubion for her efforts as Bible Quiz coach. We thank the Lutheran High School of Indianapolis for sponsoring this event.

SMILE SMILE SMILE

The students of Calvary Lutheran School will have their school photographs taken on Tuesday, September 23. Tuesday will be a non-uniform day allowing the students greater choices for their photographs. Any absentees from Tuesday will have their pictures taken on re-take day scheduled in November.

Would you like a copy of our weekly school newsletter?

The Gazette is distributed on Thursdays during the school year. To receive a copy of the Gazette, please contact the school office. A copy will be emailed to you each Thursday communicating the events and activities of Calvary Lutheran Church and School.

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?!

God has opened the doors to families who would not have considered Christian education opportunities within their financial abilities. How are these doors being opened?

Scholarship Grant Organization Program [SGO]

Private and corporate funded mechanisms are in place providing tuition scholarships to qualified families. All students are eligible for these scholarship grants. The same household income levels are used for the Indiana vouchers and the scholarship tax credit program. Calvary Lutheran Church and School has established our own Scholarship Tax Credit fund through The Lutheran SGO of Indiana, Inc.

Why should I consider donating to the Scholarship Grant fund?

Benefit #1: Each year Calvary Lutheran Church and School provided over \$30,000.00 in scholarship money to families unable to pay the entire tuition costs. Donating to the SGO fund has eliminated these budgeted scholarships.

Benefit #2: All your donated money comes right back to Calvary Lutheran Church and School.

Benefit #3: 50% of your corporate or private donation is an Indiana state tax CREDIT. If your state tax liability is less than your CREDIT, that CREDIT is extended for up to 9 years.

Currently, \$95,000.00 is needed to fully fund the scholarship grant applications. Please send in your donation by December 31, 2025 to the Lutheran SGO.

Please call the school office for further information. You are invited to visit www.lutheranSGO.org for additional information. Donor forms are available online.

Be sure to identify Calvary Lutheran Church and School, Indianapolis as the recipient of your donation.



The Together Project

We're in the final stretch of our **Together Campaign** which has focused on **campus improvements, debt reduction, and merit scholarships**. We're thrilled to share that our community has stepped up in a big way pledging over **\$1 million!** Help us cross the finish line and email for more information.

Lutheran High School - 50 Years

We have opened our doors for the 50th year of Lutheran High School. God has blessed Lutheran High School and our families! Join us for LHS Trivia Time weekly on our social media pages and follow along throughout the year at LHSI.org.

LuFest - February 6, 2026

Grab your friends and join us for an unforgettable night celebrating and supporting Lutheran High School at the beautiful Indiana Roof Ballroom. Early Bird Tickets are **NOW AVAILABLE** at LuFest.org.

SAVE THE DATES

Grandparents' Day will take place on October 2, and Homecoming will follow on October 3. Mark your calendars for these two very special events.

LHS Fall Preview Night

LHS will be hosting a Fall Preview Night on Tuesday, October 21 at 6:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for you to tour the campus, learn more about Lutheran High School's academics, arts, sports, faith, financial aid, meet teachers & students, and get ready for high school. Visit LHSI.org to RSVP.

SugarPlum Holiday Fair

Shop handmade crafts and products from more than 100 vendors at our **Annual SugarPlum Holiday Fair** taking place on October 25 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Fellowship Ministry

Outdoor Family Night (Saturday, October 18)

Our Fellowship and Outreach teams will sponsor a family outdoor event on Sat., Oct 18 from 5:30—8:00 p.m.

Activities include a bonfire, competitive games, and BOUNCE house fun! There will be hot dogs for roasting, delicious chili, other snacks and beverages available. Calvary's Youth will be offering yummy S'more kits to be enjoyed! They request a free will offering to help with future Youth activities.

Mark your calendar for the Family Fun outdoor event! If you're worshipping that evening, of course come and join us afterwards!

Women in Mission

Save the date for the Annual Holiday Bazaar!!!

The 56th Annual Holiday Bazaar will be **Saturday, November 8, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Bazaar planning has begun! *You can find details at clcs.org/bazaar.*

Are you looking for a way to serve and have great fellowship with others at the same time? We are currently looking for many **volunteers** to help with the planning stages. Coordinators are needed to organize various aspects of the bazaar. Team members are needed to work with coordinators to accomplish tasks. It takes many hands and minds to make a successful bazaar. To volunteer please contact Karen Wright.

Proceeds from this year's bazaar will benefit Calvary School STEM supplies and materials, Renovation of the church's Welcome area, and Support for Servant's Heart who helps families by providing year-round support for those struggling to make ends meet.

Booth sales are open. If you or someone you know is interested in having a booth at the bazaar they should contact Angie Ransdell. A booth can also be reserved at <https://calvary-women-in-mission.square.site/>.

Do you have an **auction item**? Are you willing to donate a service? Can you ask the company you work for to donate items and/or services? You can help make this year's SILENT AUCTION a great success! Pick up a form at the Women in Mission table or table outside the church office and return to the church office or Karen Hand's church mailbox. Items must be received by Sunday, October 19.

Save things to be sold in **The Attic** (No shoes, clothing, building materials, large pieces of furniture, or large electronics). Please price the items at no less than \$.25 before bringing them to Calvary on Friday, November 7, between 3:30 and 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, November 8 between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m.

Is baking your thing? You can bake and freeze now. Then bring your goodies to Calvary on Friday, November 7 to be sold in **the Country Kitchen**.



Women in Mission

Ladies' Pinochle Club

Whether it's your first time or you're an old pro, join us for Pinochle! We meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Pinochle will meet **October 13th**. Please join us.

Questions? Contact Sandra Wilson.

Ladies' Bible Study, Saturday, October 4th, 8:30 a.m.

The August Ladies' Bible study will be on **Saturday, September 6th** and will be from the Lutheran Women's Summer 2025 Quarterly and shared by everyone.

Join us in the Church Library on **Saturday, October 4th** at 8:30 a.m.

Extravagant Sharing

Many in our Southside community need our support for their daily needs. They go to the Emmaus Lutheran Food Pantry in Fountain Square to fill their need for food. The food pantry is prepared to help! We help meet the Pantry's needs through our Extravagant Sharing. During the month of October bring some **PANCAKE MIXES** (that only need water or milk added) AND **SYRUP** to the shelves in Calvary's church lobby, across from the main church doors. **BOXES OF DRY CEREAL** are always needed by the food pantry. Thank you all for your donations and loving support of our needy community. God bless you all!



Blankets for Babies Fall Schedule

Our Fall meeting dates are **Tuesdays, October 7th and November 4th** from 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the café area.

We have been meeting for 17 years to knit / crochet blankets for newborns. The need is great. The blankets are donated to Life Centers located at Southern Plaza.

Our group is usually 4-5 ladies, so we really need additional help. We have teachers, yarn, and crochet hooks to get you started.

Questions? Call Susan Daniels. Hope to see some new faces!

Outreach Ministry

Calvary Touch-a-Truck Was a Big Success!

Calvary's Touch-a-Truck on September 6th was attended by over 450 people! We were blessed with good weather and great attendance. Many thanks to the Outreach, Fellowship and Facilities ministry teams, Steve Bardonner, Dave Leim and more than 70 Calvary volunteers who made this day possible! We thank the first responders, companies, and Calvary members who brought more than 20 trucks and other vehicles for everyone to get a hands-on experience. A special thanks to Mike Daake for preparing materials so that kids of all ages could build over 90 birdhouses!



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Fan Into Flame

October 5, 2025 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. William Mueller

The Apostle Paul, while imprisoned and most likely very near his upcoming execution, writes one more letter to Pastor Timothy. Through this text God is reminding us – who are the people He has used in our life to bring and grow us in faith in Jesus Christ? And He is challenging us – who are the people God is using us to encourage and grow someone in faith in Jesus Christ?

Sermon Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Readings: Psalm 62; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:1-10

Featured Choirs: St. John Lutheran School, Plymouth, Wis.; Holy Cross Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: St. John's Lutheran Church, Lexington, Ky.

Thankful for Being Thankful

October 12, 2025 – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Paul Shoemaker

The miracle of healing the 10 lepers reminds us of the earthly healing and support we receive from God. The one thankful leper reminds us of the miracle of true faith in Jesus, a faith that heals us eternally.

Sermon Text: Luke 17:11-19

Readings: Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:1-13; Luke 17:11-19

Featured Choir: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Hamler, Ohio

What Will Jesus Find?

October 19, 2025 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Scott Zeckzer

Prayer is one of the gifts that God has given to us. Sometimes it is easy to pray and other times it seems difficult. The Good News is we always have help when we pray and a loving Father who always listens.

Sermon Text: Luke 18:1

Readings: Psalm 121; Genesis 32:22-30; Luke 18:1-8

Featured Choirs: Lincoln Lutheran High School, Lincoln, Neb.; St. Peter's Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.;

Featured Art and Architecture: St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

In Christ's Word

October 26, 2025 – Reformation Day “observed”

Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege (Guest Pastor)

Christ's Word is what Christians must continually hear. That Word spoken again and again by Jesus includes the harshest Law and then the sweetest Gospel. Martin Luther realized this truth.

Sermon Text: John 8:31-32

Readings: Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Featured Choir: Choir of the Council of Presidents of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Featured Art and Architecture: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

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CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Sundays 8:00 & 10:45 AM

Family Education Hour (Bible Study & Sunday School) 9:25 AM

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