NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Zephaniah 1:7-16;
Psalm 90;
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11;
Matthew 25:14-30

CHURCH INFORMATION

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GENERAL FUND GIVING

Last Sunday $5,845
Budget per Sunday $9,927

Everything we do is made possible through your faithful and generous giving.

LIFE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"And so, there's a stage for every age, a place to use the talents we're given and to see faith grow. Blessings to you all as you serve in the many ways God has prepared, as you see that we function together in one blessed Body. We will never tell Him that there's nothing for us to do." Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola, Guest Speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

WAYS TO GIVE

GIVE IN PERSON
Every service we take time to receive a tithe. You can also stop by the church office, Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm



GIVE ONLINE
Go to this webpage to donate:
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MAIL A CHECK
Send your contribution to
1300 Ferguson Drive,
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PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Cameo Kieffer, Barb Hanvey, Gail Stubbs, Carole Soderman, Bamma Taylor, Tim and Gaynel McLendon, Mildred Hensley, Quincy Floerchinger, Joan Steffens, Janet Winhofer, Ben Ide, Dave Snuggs, Kris Smelser, Charley Lannin, Sandra Cinko, Elisabeth Gibbs, Jim Chappell, Jim Freeman, Becki Kateley, Oliver Mills, Roxann Buumfulk-Lee, Jerry and Robin Goroski, DeeAnna Corn, Art Pearson, Robert Cochran, Rick Urick, Brenda Tilleraas, Roine Grosvold, Pat Strand, Donna Parsons, Tom Moring, Rod & Lou Ann Guy, Callie DiFulgentis, Justin Tews, Tara Knight, Eleanor Jandt, Bob Haensel, Char Schram, Jim & Diane Lowry, Becca Thompson, Leona Wenaas, Robbie Stubbs, Nancy Radford, Monica Fournier, Judy Stubbs, Barb Clark

NEED PRAYER?
Call or email the office to be added to this list or to the prayer chain.

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NOVEMBER 8, 2026



Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME

Welcome to our church. We trust God will bless you through your worship here today. We believe that the bread and wine we receive in Holy Communion are the true body and blood of Christ, for the forgiveness of sins, so that in receiving them we receive our Lord. If this is your belief, and you have been baptized into the body of Christ, you are welcome to receive the sacrament here. White grape juice is available for those who do not wish to receive wine. Individually wrapped Gluten-free wafers are also available. If coming up to the front is difficult for you, please tell an usher and we will serve you communion where you are seated.

Out of gratefulness for God's blessings, the ministries of Faith are supported by members and friends who give their tithes and offerings in support of the church, the need in our community, and around the world.

We have a family room located to the right of the sanctuary entrance. Our nursery is open ask an usher to show you where it's at.

If it's your first visit please pick up your welcome gift and sign our guest book at the Welcome Table. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us at Faith!

ABOUT US

We are a loving church — *called to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.*

We are a praying church — *people of prayer who pray for one another and for the needs of our community, world and all in need.*

We are a disciple-making church — *committed to living and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ and bearing witness to our Christian faith in inviting others to know and follow Jesus.*

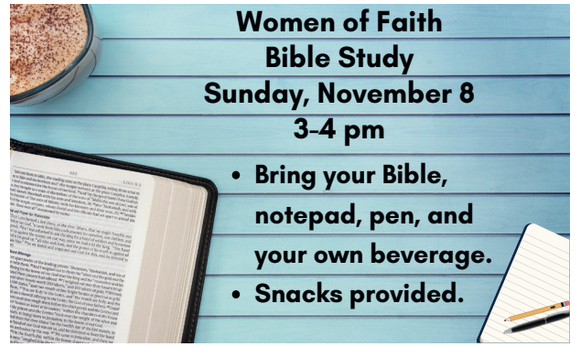
We are a serving church — *serving others in Jesus' name by feeding the hungry, helping the poor and being the presence of Christ in a tangible way.*

AS CHRIST-FOLLOWERS WE

Love God · Love Others · Serve the World

THIS IS THE JOURNEY OF FAITH.

Matthew 28:19-20 "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."







Pastor Alsen will be on vacation
November 10 – 15th.
Lon Holden will be leading
and speaking for the service
on Sunday, November 15th.



EVERYONE WELCOME GRADES 8TH-12TH!

YOUTH GROUP
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

FLY MINISTRIES

Build friendships while growing strong in your faith in a safe comfortable environment.

Also On the Calendar this Week

Today
3 pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday
5:30 pm Personnel Meeting
5:30 pm Bell Choir Practice
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday
9 am Finance Team
10:30 am Bible Study
1 pm Grief Share
4 pm Property Team
6 pm Youth Education Team

Thursday
6:30 am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study
2 pm Biblical Citizenship

NOTES AND DOODLES

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 27

Are We Prepared for the End?



November 8, 2026

AS WE GATHER
It is easy to assume that tomorrow will be little or no different from today. However, the day is coming when life as we know it will end. The final Sundays of the Church Year remind us that our comfortable routines will be interrupted by the God who cares enough to interrupt them. His justice will grab our attention like a lion (Amos 5:19). He will silence all false and empty worship with justice that rolls in like roaring waters (Amos 5:24). Now our Lord and Savior has a serious warning as he concludes the Parable of the Ten Virgins. The warning is, “Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour” (Matthew 25:13) in which the Son of Man, our Lord and Savior is coming. Therefore, Jesus is telling us to watch and to be prepared for the end. So, are we prepared for the end? Now, as we wait for that day, Paul reminds us that our waiting is filled with hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13–14). Jesus died and rose again, and that forever changes our waiting and our preparation.

PRESERVICE MUSIC “You Are My All in All” [CCLI Video]
“God I’m Just Grateful” [CCLI Video]

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ PREPARATION ✠

RINGING OF THE BELL/LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

HYMN “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” [REC 40 vs. 1, 3 & 4]

INVOCATION
Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 70:1*
Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me!
People: O Lord, make haste to help me!

Silent reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God, who is our help and our deliverer.
People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We confess the ways that our worship has fallen into empty words, disconnected from the life to which You have called us. We confess that we have been inattentive in our waiting for Christ's return. Forgive us, renew us, and call us back to You, that we may wait with hope and joy, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives us all our sins. He does not delay! His righteousness flows like an ever-flowing stream. As a called and ordained servant of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

SONG "Soon and Very Soon" [WOV 744 vs. 1-4]

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 5:18–24*
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25:1–13*
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN OF GOD MESSAGE

SERMON "Are We Prepared for the End?" *Matthew 25:1-13*

SERMON HYMN "My Hope is Built on Nothing Else" [REC 192 vs. 1-14]

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
Pastor: You are our help and our deliverer.
People: O Lord, do not delay.

Pastor: Though we know neither the day nor the hour, we wait in hope, O Lord, trusting that You hear our prayers and will preserve Your people. This we pray through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: Amen.

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD
Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

BENEDICTION

SONG "Firm Foundation (He Won't)" [CCLI Video]

DISMISSAL
Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God and WE WILL!!!

