



**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, October 20, 2024  
10:15 a.m.

**Mark 10:29–30 – “Jesus said, ‘Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the Gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.’”** This is Jesus’ encouragement for every faithful disciple — let it encourage you today.

# WELCOME TO... church

## WELCOME VISITORS:

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today. We pray

that your worship with us is rewarding. Please be sure to sign your name and address in our guest register, located in the narthex. If you are looking for a church home we would like to invite you to be a part of our Bible Based Church family.

Please **TURN OFF ALL CELLPHONES** before service begins. Phones that are on may interfere with transmission of the service to social media and shutting down your phone can help solve network connectivity problems.



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### OPENING HYMN

*“O Day of Rest and Gladness”*

**LSB #906**

### INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all  
in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word  
and for self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### PSALM 119:9–16

- P** <sup>9</sup>How can a young man keep his way pure?  
By guarding it according to your word.
- C** <sup>10</sup>**With my whole heart I seek you;  
let me not wander from your commandments!**
- P** <sup>11</sup>I have stored up your word in my heart,

that I might not sin  
against you.

- C** <sup>12</sup>**Blessèd are you,  
O LORD;  
teach me your  
statutes!**

- P** <sup>13</sup>With my lips I  
declare  
all the just decrees  
of your mouth.



**C** <sup>14</sup>In the way of your testimonies I delight  
as much as in all riches.

**P** <sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your precepts  
and fix my eyes on your ways.

**C** <sup>16</sup>I will delight in your statutes;  
I will not forget your word.

**KYRIE**

*LSB 152*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*LSB 154*

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### **CATECHISM REVIEW**

#### **Holy Baptism - Third**

**P** *How can water do such great things?*

**C** **Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three:**

**“He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through**

**Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” (Titus 3:5–8)**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

<sup>10</sup>He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. <sup>11</sup>When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? <sup>12</sup>Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

<sup>13</sup>There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup>and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. <sup>15</sup>As he came from his mother’s womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his

hand. <sup>16</sup>This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? <sup>17</sup>Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

<sup>18</sup>Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. <sup>19</sup>Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. <sup>20</sup>For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.



**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

**P** He will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

## EPISTLE

*Hebrews 4:1–16*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup>For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup>For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

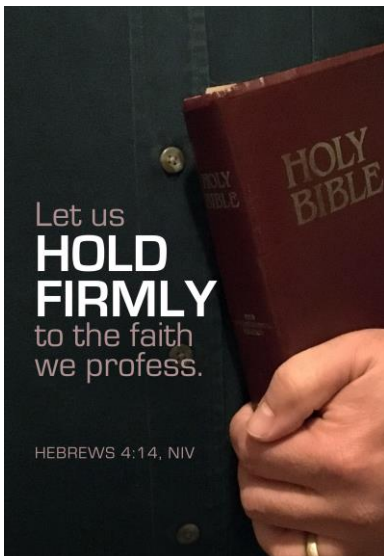
although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” <sup>5</sup>And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup>Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

<sup>8</sup>For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.



<sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>14</sup>Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 156

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 10:23–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God.

For all things are possible with God.” <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”



**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### SERMON HYMN

*“Come unto Me, Ye Weary”*

LSB #684

### SERMON *“And I Will Give You Rest”*

### APOSTLES’ CREED

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of



**God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own”**

**LSB #781**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

### **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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

*LSB 166*

## **CLOSIING HYMN**

**“Christ Is Our Cornerstone”**

**LSB #912**

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**Sunday:** Deuteronomy 19:1-20;  
Matthew 15:1-20

**Monday:** Deuteronomy 20:1-20;  
Matthew 15:21-39

**Tuesday:** Deuteronomy 21:1-23;  
Deuteronomy 22: 1 – 24:9; Matthew

16:1-12

**Wednesday:** Deuteronomy 24:10 – 25:10;  
Matthew 16:13-28

**Thursday:** Deuteronomy 25:17 – 26:19; Matthew 17:1-13

**Friday:** Deuteronomy 27:1-26; Matthew 17:14-27

**Saturday:** Deuteronomy 28:1-22; Matthew 18:1-20



REFORMATION SERVICE

## Circuit Reformation Service

October 30 at 6:30 p.m. St.

John – Merrill

*All are welcome!*

### FAITH and ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES

*Please remember the following in your  
prayers:*

Gary Baumann    Bob Burish  
Cheryl Dahlke    Doris Dahlke  
Rodney Dahlke    Steve Dahlke  
Alice Fromm    Wallace Emmerich  
Angie Harkner    Emma Hein  
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Susie and Ellie Zastrow





## **CHURCH CALENDAR ST. JOHN'S and FAITH**

### **Sunday, October 20**

**8:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion at St. John's**

*Sunday School during Sermon at St. John's*

9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Faith

9:30 a.m. Bible Study at St John's

**10:15 a.m. Worship at Faith**

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Pancake Dinner at Faith

### **Monday, October 21**

5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal at Faith

**6:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion at Faith**

### **Wednesday, October 23**

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. AbleLight Volunteers

5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith

### **Thursday, October 24**

6:30 p.m. Adult Information Classes at St. John's

### **Sunday, October 27**

**8:30 a.m. Worship at St. John's**

*Sunday School during Sermon at St. John's*

9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Faith

9:30 a.m. Bible Study at St John's

**10:15 a.m. Worship at Faith**

11:15 a.m. Bible Study at Faith

### **Monday, October 28**

5:30 p.m. Choir at Faith

**6:30 p.m. Worship at Faith**

### **Wednesday, October 30**

5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith

**6:30 p.m. Reformation Worship at St. John - Merrill**



If anyone has EYE GLASSES AND/OR CASES that are no longer used, there is a Lion's Eye Glass Bucket in the coat room, All glasses and cases can be put in the bucket. Any questions, contact Beth (715-574-0190) or Leon Bartelt (715-574-1261) of the Maine Lion's Club.



## ST. JOHN'S NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

Looking for updated pictures and contact information for all St. John' members and their families.

Please check your church mailboxes for more information.



**THANK YOU** to the ladies of LWML Zone 6 and the members of St. John's. There is a table full of "Gifts of the Heart" that has been collected for Christian Care Daycare at St. John's. The variety of supplies and gifts will be used to guide the ways and instruction of our loving Lord to each child in our care.

## ADULT INFORMATION CLASS

Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.  
at St. John's.

For more information talk with Pastor Love. All are welcome to join the class.





## FELLOWSHIP FUNDRAISERS

St. John's will be hosting Fellowship several times a month beginning October 27. Funds raised will go to Hurricane Relief.



## FALL EVENT

### LUTHER MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

N5302 Townhall Road and Highway 17,  
Gleason

#### Harvest Dinner on November 17

11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Buffet of Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes,  
Stuffing, Squash, salads and desserts

Dine In, Carryout, Drive Through

Adults \$13    Child 6-12 \$7    5 and under  
Free



## FALL SPORTS ARE IN FULL SWING!!

Whether you are cheering for the Badgers, Packers and/or your favorite high school teams, don't forget your tailgating and celebration supplies whether at home or away. It's also time to remember those supplies for fall harvest or yard work. Holidays are coming up soon. Pick up scrip for all your household needs. Help support the ministry of our church through the Scrip program. ... *All without it costing you an extra penny!*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You for your generous sacrificial offerings to the Lord, to help us keep our ministry going. You can also mail your offerings to Our Churches at

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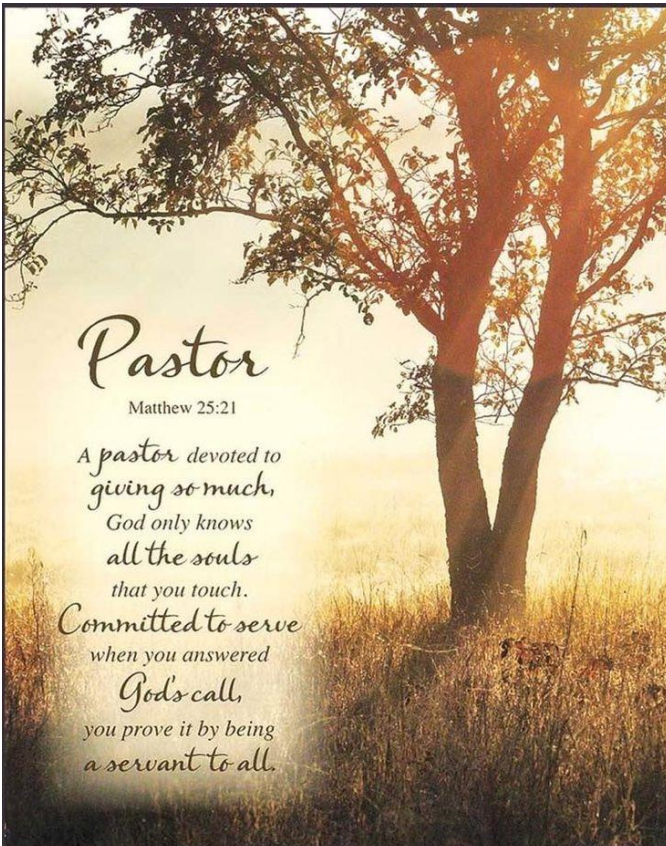
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## UPDATE on BUILDING ADDITION

Work has begun on the Special Storage Addition to Faith Church. Financial details are provided. Any questions or for more information talk to any one of the Trustees

including Chris Stogbauer, Barry Krenz, Kevin Kleinschmidt, Bob Duwe, or Bruce Krenz. Plans for the addition are on display in the narthex of the church.

DESCRIPTION	Total Cost	Down Payment	Balance Due
Village Permits	\$842.88	\$842.88	
Design Contract	\$8,235.00	\$6,588.00	\$1,647.00
Building Contract	\$54,215.00	\$5,421.00	\$48,794.00
Tree Removal	Donated		
Excavation	Donated		
Fill	Donated		
Electrical (est)	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00
Heating (est)	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00
Cement Work (est)	\$17,000.00		\$17,000.00
New Door	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00
Interior Panel (est)	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Shelving (est)	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$92,792.00</b>		

*To date, \$12,851.00 has been paid from the Home Purpose Fund. A separate account has been set up for the Building Addition. To date, \$590.00 has been designated for the Addition Fund. Members are encouraged to support the project both prayerfully and financially.*

