

Quilting Ministry Volunteers Needed: Join our quilting ministry and help spread warmth and comfort to those in need. We have lost several members. We are seeking volunteers to assist with quilting projects that benefit Lutheran World Relief. Tasks: cutting fabric, piecing quilts, binding and tying. No experience necessary! We will provide guidance and instruction. Quilters meet Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. Contact Dawn Peterson (715-263-2385) if interested.

Shopping cards for Nilssen's, True Value, and Kwik Trip are available every Sunday between services from the Lutheran Men in Mission for Christ. The men receive back a percentage of the sales for mission projects.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	11:00 AM-Fellowship 11:00 AM-Choir Practice
Monday	9:00 AM-Prep. for Lefse Making 7:00 PM-Evening Grace Men & Women Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 AM-Lefse Making
Wednesday	9:00 AM-Prayer Shawl Group 5:30 PM-8:30 PM-Youth Supper with Open Youth Room 6:15 PM-7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation 7:30 PM-9 th Grade Confirmation
Saturday	Set your clocks back one hour! 7:00 AM-Men's Bible Study
Next Sunday	ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship with Communion 9:30 AM-Fellowship 9:40 AM-Sunday School 10:00 AM-Traditional Worship with Communion (New Members Received) 11:00 AM-Fellowship 11:00 AM-Choir Practice



Luther's Seal:

1. *Black Cross – Debt of our sins is paid by Jesus on the cross.*
2. *Red Heart – The one who believes from the heart will be saved. (Romans 10:10)*
3. *White Rose – The believer is declared clean and pure in Christ.*
4. *Blue Sky – Our future will be heavenly like the clear blue sky above.*
5. *Gold Ring – This will be a most precious gift like a gold ring for all eternity.*

Reformation Sunday Worship

**October 27, 2024
10:00 AM**

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson

Welcome and Introduction

*Call to Worship

P: This is the day the Lord has made,

C: **let us rejoice and be glad. †**

*Confession

Adapted from Luther's Small Catechism

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **You shall have no other gods.**

P: We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

C: **You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not use his name to curse, swear, lie or deceive, but call upon God's name in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

C: **Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not despise preaching and his Word, but regard it as holy, and gladly hear and learn it.

C: **Honor your father and mother, that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not dishonor or anger our parents and others in authority, but honor, serve, and obey them, and give them love and respect.

C: **You shall not murder.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and befriend him in every bodily need.

C: **You shall not commit adultery.**

P: We should fear and love God that we lead a pure and decent life in words and actions, and that husband and wife love and honor each other.

C: **You shall not steal.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not take our neighbor's money or property or get it by dishonest dealing, but help him to improve and protect his property and means of income.

C: **You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, or give him a bad name, but defend him, speak well of him, and take his words and actions in the kindest possible way.

C: **You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house or obtain it by a show of right, but do all we can to help him keep it.

C: **You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, workers, animals, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

P: We should fear and love God that we do not force or entice away our neighbor's spouse, workers, or animals, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. He who believes and is baptized will be saved (Mark 16:16).

C: **Amen.**

*Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)

Almighty God, **through the preaching of your servants, the blessed Reformers, you caused the light of the gospel to shine forth. Grant that we may faithfully defend it against all enemies and joyfully proclaim it to the salvation of people everywhere to the glory of your holy name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

A Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. **20** Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin. **21** But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. **22** This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, **23** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, **24** and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. **25** God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished-- **26** he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. **27** Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. **28** For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

Children’s Message

*Hymn of Praise “Beautiful Savior” #518

*Gospel Reading: John 8:31-36

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. **32** Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." **33** They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" **34** Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. **35** Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. **36** So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day “O Jesus, I Have Promised” #503

Rite of ConfirmationLBW p. 198

***The Lord’s Prayer**

Adapted from Luther’s Small Catechism

- P: I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray as Christ our Lord taught us.
 - C: Our Father in heaven.**
 - P: With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that he is our true Father and that we are his true children, so that we may pray to him as boldly and confidently as dear children ask their dear father.
 - C: Hallowed be your name.**
 - P: God's name is certainly holy by itself, but we pray in this petition that we too may keep it holy.
 - C: Your kingdom come.**
 - P: God's kingdom certainly comes by itself even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may also come to us.
 - C: Your will be done on earth as in heaven.**
 - P: God's good and gracious will certainly is done without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.
 - C: Give us today our daily bread.**
 - P: God surely gives daily bread without our asking, even to all the wicked, but we pray in this petition that he would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.
 - C: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**
 - P: We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins or because of them deny our prayers; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we ask, neither have we deserved them, but we ask that he would give them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment.
- So we too will forgive from the heart and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

C: Lead us not into temptation.

P: God surely tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us, so that the devil, the world, and our flesh may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins; and though we are tempted by them, we pray that we may overcome and win the victory.

C: But deliver us from evil.

P: In conclusion we pray in this petition that our Father in heaven, would deliver us from every evil that threatens body and soul, property and reputation, and finally when our last hour comes, grant us a blessed end and graciously take us from this world of sorrow to himself in heaven.

C: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

P: We can be sure that these petitions are acceptable to our Father in heaven and are heard by him, for he himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Therefore, we say, "Amen," "Yes, it shall be so."

Announcements

Blessing

Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



You are invited to use our QR code for online giving. Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Organist: Brian Wick
Reader: Bert Petersen
Greeters: Neil & Emily Larson and Tim & Patti Wyss
Counter: Dan Cain
Ushers: Keith Anderson & Dave Somsen
Fellowship Servers: Dave & Carol Somsen

October 20th Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM –22; 10:00 AM –114; Total:136

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all who join in worship today, especially any guests.

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Bob Moe, Dixie Croes, Dennis Luehman, Levi Ramsey, Cyndy Witthoft (sister of Deann Wagner), and Ashley & Hayden (Nancy & Roy McQuinn's granddaughter & husband) deployed to Middle East. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Confirming their faith in Christ Jesus and committing to remain in the covenant of baptism today are the following 10th graders:

Devin Alvermann	Brennon Colbeth
Andrew Buhr	Miles Johnson
Seth Cain	Ben LaBeree
Jerret Case	Natalie Petersen

Tickets are now available for the general raffle. All raffle items are now on display. Please help by buying or selling raffle tickets. Tickets are available in the church office or from Kathy Wick.

Our popular basket raffle is planned to go along with our church dinner in November. Fill a basket with a gift theme. Empty baskets are available in the entry.

Fall Dinner Lefes Work Days – Monday, October 28th & Tuesday October 29th: 9:00 AM and Monday, November 4th & Tuesday November 5th: 9:00 AM. Volunteers are needed to help peel potatoes on Monday and with rolling lefse on Tuesday. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the entry.

Sign-up sheets for workers and food donations for the church dinner are in the entry. Take one or more food donation Post-it notes from the board and record your donation on the sheet.