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**Caring Sharing Serving Reaching**



## October Worship Schedule

October 6 | 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 13 | 21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 20 | 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 27 | 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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### New Lift Needed at GLDC

As many of you know, we have been having problems with our lift (elevator) for quite some time and Council has been discussing replacement options.

**We have started the process of getting quotes and a new "Lift Replacement" fund has been set up. If you are interested in donating to this new fund, please mark your envelopes "Lift Fund."**

This is a big investment for our small congregation. Council feels a congregational vote is needed so everyone can weigh in on this important decision.

We will have a paper ballot vote on October 6 following the 10 am Sunday service. We would like all to vote, members and non-members.

Thank you!

Dale Raschke, Treasurer



## **“Managing All of Life”**

In many congregations (my own included), the fall season brings with it the annual stewardship campaign that leads into budget formation for the coming year. This provides funding for ministries, staff salaries, outreach support, and much more. This annual occurrence becomes an opportunity for preaching and teaching not just on financial stewarding, but so much more.

Truth be told, we often equate stewardship with money. This is due in large part to the lop-sided emphasis that the church has placed on a very narrow definition of stewardship over many years, neglecting other much-needed emphases: time management, giftedness for serving, care of self, etc. When all is said and done, stewardship begins with the truth that we own nothing. It all belongs to God, as the Word of God makes clear: **“The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof, the world, and those who dwell therein”** (Psalm 24:1). We often talk and act like it all belongs to us: *my house, my car, my money, my life*. But there’s something at work here that is bigger than just my own individual life. God is the Maker and Owner of all that he has made in heaven and on earth. Scripture does not record anywhere that God has ever relinquished his ownership of anything he has made. It all comes from and returns to the Lord. We are merely the managers, the caretakers, of what belongs to the Lord. These things have been placed into our hands to steward wisely and faithfully for a brief moment in time. How will we use them?

Let’s look at one of the Gospel readings from Luke’s record—the words from Jesus:

*“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty’”* (Luke 17:7-10).

Jesus’ words are a just desert to the sense of entitlement that we may have about ourselves. At the end of the day, we are those unworthy servants who are called to do our Master’s duty. And what a mess we have made of what our Master has called us to do! We go off in a different direction from the task God called us to do (like Jonah); we come up with a whole laundry list of reasons why God should get somebody else to do the job (like Moses); when the pressure is on, we deny ever knowing who Jesus is (like Peter). The list goes on and on. And yet, it is that same Master who has laid down his life for these same unworthy servants who have made such a mess of it all. It is the Master himself who has paid the price for all of our misdeeds and errors, what Scripture calls sin. If God the Maker and Owner of heaven and earth did not withhold the life of his only Son, but freely gave him up for us all, who are we to withhold anything of what God has placed into our hands? Our motivation flows out of grateful hearts for all that God in Christ has done for us. We cannot give anything to God that does not already belong to him, but we can – and should – serve God by serving our neighbor who is in need. As Martin Luther once said, “God does not need our good deeds, but our neighbor does.” We are to see our neighbor as Christ in our midst, serving him or her as we would serve Christ himself.

Ourselves, our time, and our possessions – they all come from the Lord and are entrusted to our care in this life. This is a sacred responsibility that we have, to manage all things to the best of our ability with God’s help. May the Lord be honored and glorified in each of our lives as his “unworthy servants,” stewards of God’s gifts that are placed into our hands.

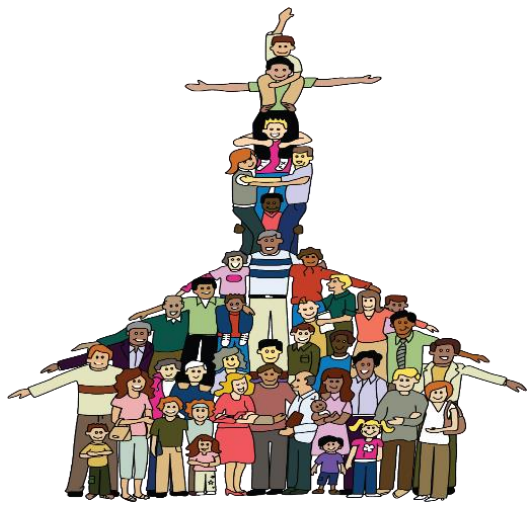
*Pastor Matthew*

# Joint Service September 8, 2024 Blessing of the Children





do everything  
in Love  
1 Corinthians 16:14



# The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod LCMS Stewardship Ministry - October 2024

## "The Singing Church"

Lutherans have historically been called "the singing church." There is no doubt that music has been a major component in the theology and practice of the Lutheran church. Luther once remarked about music, "We can mention only one point, namely, that next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise." Music has a power and purpose that cannot be understated in our worship and the life of the congregation.

But music does more than touch the emotions. Music is a vehicle that carries both the musician and the hearer deeper into connection with the truth of the Scriptures. This is true of the most complex Bach chorale and even the simplest of songs like "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know." Each musical selection within the church shapes the thoughts, minds and faith of the people who experience them.

This is also true of stewardship hymns. We are currently considering the verses of "Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness" (LSB 788) as it shapes our understanding and practice of stewardship. This month we take a deeper dive into verse two:

*Teach us to thank you, Lord, for love and grace  
For life and vision, for a purpose clear,  
For Christ Your Son, and for each human face  
that shows Your message ever new and near.*

The stanza begins by touching on the truth of the Law. Thankfulness is not a natural posture for fallen humanity. For sinners curved in upon themselves, thankfulness for love and grace is something that must be taught. We are those who hoard and clutch. Our confession of our shallow thankfulness highlights the need for us to learn thankfulness to God.

Thankfulness also points to what we are stewards of: love and grace! All the things we have traditionally called stewardship aren't actual stewardship. Rather, what matters is how we steward the one, true and only treasure: the love and grace of God revealed to us in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. So, all stewardship is stewardship of the Gospel! How can we gaze at the cross and empty tomb and not be thankful?

The LCMS defines stewardship as "the free and joyous activity of God's family — the church — in managing life's resources for His purposes." God's love and mercy give us a clear purpose as we live out our Baptism and practice this joyous stewardship. All we are, all we have entrusted to us, and all we are called to do is to connect others with the love and mercy of God revealed in Jesus!

The faithful steward sings with lips and life of this love and mercy that is ever new and near. In the Scriptures. In the Lord's House. At the Lord's Table. This is where our stewardship song starts and ends. Our family, our co-workers and classmates, and our world need to hear this song!



# THE LUTHERAN HOUR

WCCO 830 AM Radio

Heard each Sunday morning at 6:05 am

Hosted by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler (unless otherwise noted)

October 6 "Fit to Be Tied" (Genesis 30:8)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

A strong knot in the right place holds everything together. God made Jesus to be the "Master Point" to bind all people to Himself through faith.

October 13 "Difficult People" (Genesis 31:6-7)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

With God, all things are possible, even how to deal with that difficult person in your life.

October 20 "Children of God--No Longer Losers" (Hosea 12:2-6)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez

God turns lost losers into forgiven sons and daughters. Through Christ, we too become children of God's kingdom, members of His household.

October 27 "God-Struggles" (Genesis 38:28)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

It's been said, everyone you meet is fighting an unseen battle. God calls us to enter the struggle of those around us because, in Jesus, God has entered our struggle.

Main Street Living | Sundays 9 am

Main Street Living is an LCMS program that features pastors from the WFTC, Channel 29/9.2, viewer area. Channel 10 on Comcast.

The first half hour is a reproduction of *This is the Life*, a Lutheran Hour Ministries program made popular in the 60s, 70s, and 80s. The second half hour is a modified Lutheran worship service, which is produced locally. For more information see their website: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the "Twin Cities" tab OR to watch the program go to [mainstreetliving.com](http://mainstreetliving.com).

## Official Acts

Hannah Cornes & Sam Hefel  
Wedding

Friday, September 20, 2024



## Time of Grace

Time of Grace tv program airs globally via various outlets, but you can also search topics and watch the program at [timeofgrace.org/tv-program](http://timeofgrace.org/tv-program). Each episode is a 30-minute study of God's Word with Pastor Mike Novotny. Pastor Mike Novotny has served God's people in full-time ministry since 2007 as a pastor in Madison and now Appleton, Wisconsin. He also serves as the lead speaker for the Time of Grace television program and contributes to the written resources of Time of Grace Ministry.

Sundays KARE (NBC 11) 10:30 am  
[www.timeofgrace.org](http://www.timeofgrace.org)

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## Gloria Dei Annual Yard Clean-Up

Saturday, October 19 beginning at 10 am (light lunch served at 12 noon)

Bring a rake and gloves and help with the yard clean up!

Leaves will need raking, Bushes will need trimming, Plants will need to be cut down

*"Many Hands Make Light Work"* Nehemiah 3

***If you have Thrivent Insurance, don't forget Thrivent Choice Dollars!***

Call every month! Call 1-800-Thrivent (1-800-847-4836).

**When asked for a subject, say "Choice Dollars." When asked for a choice, press 1.**

Then answer the next question with your birth date, when the representatives answers, let them know you want to direct your choice dollars to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 3014 NE McKinley St, Minneapolis.

*Thank you for your generous giving!*



## **Community Sing Along with Dan Chouinard - October 2 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**

This is for everyone who likes to sing, hum along, or just tap your toes. It's free. Donations welcome. Wednesday, October 2, 7-8:30 pm, at Northeast United Methodist Church, 2510 Cleveland Street NE, (corner of Lowry and Cleveland). Child care provided, as well as cookies and bars.

## **St. Anthony Fire Department Open house**

As part of Fire Prevention Week, St. Anthony Fire Dept. will hold an open house **Saturday, October 5, 1-4 pm**, at the department's garage at 3505 Silver Lake Rd. Firefighters will demonstrate a live burn and allow visitors to use a firehose and get a close-up look at the fire equipment. Sparky the Firedog will be there, and lunch will be served. Residents will also have a chance to recycle used home fire extinguishers.

## **October Community Luncheon in St. Anthony**

St. Anthony Community Services presents a community luncheon on Monday, October 7, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm at 3301 Silver Lake Rd. NE. Cost is \$15 and lunch will be provided by Culver's. The St. Anthony Village Historical Society will celebrate the history of the city. Registration is required at [www.tce.me/iQbmVe](http://www.tce.me/iQbmVe) or 612-706-1176.



## Community Dinner

Join St. Timothy's and the local community on **Tuesday, October 8, from 5 pm to 6:30 pm** (or until the food is gone) for their drive thru community dinner. Please invite your family, neighbors and friends. Everyone is welcome!

St. Timothy's Lutheran Church is located at 825 51st Ave. NE, in Columbia Heights.

### **Edison Class of '49 75th Reunion: October 10 @ 12:00 pm - 3:30 pm**

The Edison High School Class of 1949 will gather in the school's Alumni Room, Wednesday, October 10 for a 75th reunion luncheon, catered by Marino's Deli. Each classmate attending the reunion will receive a special plaque engraved with their name and listing many of the honors and achievements of the 1949 class. Contact Dick Anderson, 612-788-3991.

### Saturday Scribes Author Series with Alison McGhee

Gather at the Columbia Heights Library, 3939 Central Avenue NE, for the Saturday Scribes Author Series, featuring local Minnesota authors. Learn about the author's inspirations, writing process and more. Registration recommended.

**Alison McGhee** presides Saturday, October 12, 10:30 am-12 pm. She writes for all ages in all forms, from novels to poems to books for children. Her bestselling novel, *Shadow Baby*, was a Today Show Book Club pick, and her picture book for adults, *Someday*, was a #1 New York Times bestseller. Her work has been translated into more than twenty languages, and she has won many fellowships and awards, including four Minnesota Book Awards, the Geisel medal, a MacDowell residency, and several American Library Association awards.

## LPNA Clothing Swap

Saturday, Oct. 12, 10 am-1 pm, Logan Park Recreation Center, 690 13th Ave. NE. Bring no more than 15 clothing items you no longer want or need (in clean, wearable condition-something you would give to a friend) to share in the swap, then "shop" the items others have brought. No undergarments or socks, adult-sized pajamas, workout clothing/yoga pants, clothing with embroidered or screen printed personalization (i.e., team sweatshirts), housewares, bedding, linens or toys. There is no requirement to bring items in order to take items, so feel free to come and "shop" the swap no matter what. Men's, women's and kids clothing of all sizes to be included. If bringing donations, please start at the check-in table. Have Fun!



## Polka Mass and German dinner

October 13 @ 12 - 3 pm

Polka Mass and German dinner, Sunday, Oct. 13, at St. Boniface Catholic Church, 633 Second Street NE. Polka Mass at 11 am with Rod Cerar Orchestra followed by German dinner (served noon-3 pm) featuring roast pork, potato dumplings, sauerkraut, red cabbage and dessert. Takeout available. Tickets: \$15 adult, \$10 youth 12 and under. Info: 612-379-2761.

### **Northeast Community Band concert**

The Northeast Community Band will present a free concert at Edison High School, 700 22nd Avenue NE, on **Thursday, Oct. 24**. Tim Martin will lead the band through "The Old Boatman" by Florence Price, "Autumn" by Alexander Glazunov and Gustav Holst's "First Suite in Eb," among others. The downbeat is at **7 pm**.

# Special Occasions for Special People





<u>Happy Birthday</u>		<u>Happy Anniversary</u>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pastor Matthew Cephus	7 <sup>th</sup>	Derald & Christine Hadrath
11 <sup>th</sup>	Al Morelli		
11 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Martin Cornes		

## OCTOBER SERVANTS

Elders: Karmon Christopherson

*Altar Care and Usher sign-up is located on the lobby bulletin board.*

<u>Counters:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u> Please see sign-up sheets to volunteer!
6 <sup>th</sup> Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer	6 <sup>th</sup> Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer
13 <sup>th</sup> Al, Pam & Aaron Morelli	13 <sup>th</sup>
20 <sup>th</sup> Sandy Westling and Tom Harris	20 <sup>th</sup>
27 <sup>th</sup> Pat Scott and Shirley Slagle	27 <sup>th</sup>

<b>FLOWERS</b>	<b>CANDLES</b>
	
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*If you sign up for flowers or candles after the newsletter is published, be sure and let the office know. We want to make sure that flowers are ordered and you are properly acknowledged in the bulletin notes.*

*Thanks*



# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 11 am Bible Study <i>The Chosen, Part 4</i>	<b>3</b> 5:30 pm Bible Study	<b>4</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	<b>5</b> 10 am Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
<b>6</b> <b>20<sup>th</sup> S. after Pentecost</b> 10 am Worship w/HC 11:45 am Royal Family Worship 6 pm NA	<b>7</b> 7 pm AlAnon (upstairs) 7 pm Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 11 am Bible Study <i>The Chosen, Part 4</i>	<b>10</b> 5:30 pm Bible Study	<b>11</b> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 5 – 8 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 10 am Living Word Worship & Fellowship 6 – 8 pm Living Word Prayer Night
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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

# Pray For Us Calendar

## HOLY BAPTISM — OCTOBER 1-15

Water and Word wash us into Christ's death and resurrection. "Baptism ... now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 3:21). We daily remember our Baptism through repentance and forgiveness in the cross of Christ. Through our Baptism, we are brought into the Church, the Body of Christ. As we pray, we rejoice in God's gift of Baptism and continue to rejoice in the gifts of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life granted to us in Word and Sacrament.

*Remember God's gift of Baptism as you pray:*

- 1.** Thank God for His gifts of Word and Sacrament, that through these means God freely gives His grace to sinners by faith.
- 2.** Thank God for the gift of Baptism, that His Word works through the water to join us to Christ's death and resurrection.
- 3.** Thank God for the gift of Baptism, that His Word combines with the water to deliver forgiveness and eternal life.

**4.** Rejoice that the Holy Spirit gives faith and sustains us in the faith.

**5.** Thank God for the gift of Baptism for adults, that those who are instructed in the faith and who were not baptized as children may receive the gift of forgiveness and life in the waters of Baptism.

**6.** for parents, that they might faithfully raise their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, teaching them His Word and bringing them to the Sacrament.

**7.** for sponsors, that they might faithfully work with parents to teach the faith to the baptized.

**8.** for all the baptized, that in daily repentance all might cling to God's promises of forgiveness and eternal life in Christ.

**9.** for all the baptized, that they might daily cling to their Baptism and hope in Christ alone.

**10.** for all the baptized, that the Spirit would keep the Church strong in persecution.

**11.** for all the baptized, that they witness to all about the death and resurrection of Jesus.

**12.** for all who are not baptized, that the Spirit would draw them to Christ in faith.

**13.** Thank God for the Baptism of Jesus, that He took on our sins to suffer in our stead.

**14.** Thank God for calling you to be His adopted child and heir of eternal life.

**15.** That Christ would return quickly, that the Church might dwell with Him in righteousness, holiness and blessedness.



## THE LORD'S SUPPER — OCTOBER 16-31

Bread and wine, body and blood feed us with the food that endures to eternal life. Christ gives His body and blood to His body the Church. Those who have faith in the words, “given and shed for you” receive what those words promise, the forgiveness of sins.

*Remember God's gift of the Sacrament of the Altar as you pray:*

**16.** Thank God for the Sacrament of the Altar, that it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine.

**17.** Rejoice that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life and salvation are given.

**18.** That God would grant us faith in His Word, that we worthily receive the Sacrament and live in repentance.

**19.** Thank God for daily bread, even the bread of life that we receive in the Sacrament.

**20.** for preparation before receiving the Sacrament, that all might receive it trusting in the Words of Christ.

**21.** Thank God for the Church and the Office of the Holy Ministry.

**22.** for the unity of the Church, that schisms might cease, and all might be united in the true faith.

**23.** that we, who are many, may see ourselves as the one Body of Christ.

**24.** for the Church, that she remains faithful to the truth of God's Word.

**25.** for the LCMS, that we might believe, teach and confess all things according to God's will.

**26.** with thanksgiving that God continues to strengthen us through His Word and Sacraments.

**27.** for those who do not belong to the Church, that God would call all to faith.

**28.** for the sustenance of the Sacrament of the Altar, that God would grant faith unto eternal life.



**29.** that after receiving Communion, all would amend their sinful lives by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**30.** that God would keep all Christians from being led

*astray by false teachings, and instead bring them to a deeper knowledge of Him.*

**31.** for the endurance of faith until Christ returns.

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