

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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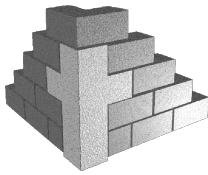
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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠



Our Altar – Our Fourth Cornerstone

OPENING HYMN

"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

(LSB 912)

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our

heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

† **WORD** †

INTROIT

Ps. 18:1-6; (antiphon: Ps. 18:2)

P The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold.

C I love you,
O LORD, my strength.

P The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold.

C I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

P The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;

C the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.

P In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

LSB 946 Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT *Isaiah 5:1-7* (The Lord planted His people to be His vineyard, but they produced wild grapes worthy only of judgment.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "You Are Present with Your Love" (Wayne L. Wold)
Helen Kiepke, vocal soloist

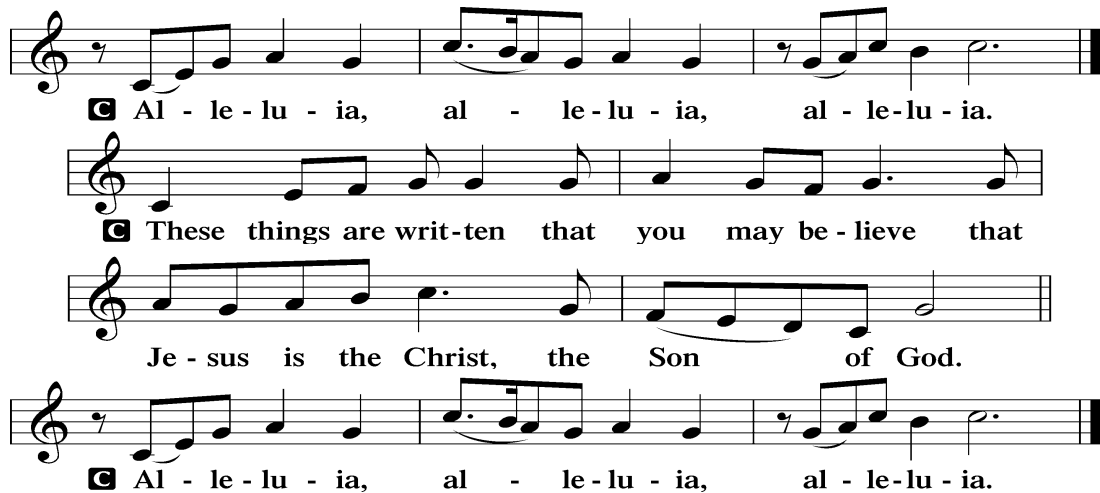
EPISTLE *Philippians 3:4b–14* ("I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God.")

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that
Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.
C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 21:33–46* (The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" (LSB 909)

We Rise for Verse 4

SERMON "Our Altar – Our Fourth Cornerstone" (St. Matthew 21:42)
Pastor Brad Urbach

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11:00 Nicene Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** O Lord, You have planted, nurtured and hedged around Your vineyard, the Church. You sent Your dear Son to give His life for her. Inspire her by Your Holy Spirit to yield much fruit for Your kingdom and grant that many find shelter on her holy hill. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Merciful Father, since Your Son has made us His own by His death, grant that we may share in His sufferings with confidence, and that we may also know the power of His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, grant all orphans a safe place in which to grow and thrive. Bring into their lives generous couples who will open their hearts to give them permanent homes through adoption. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Shine Your light upon us, O Lord, that we may do what is good and right and live as faithful citizens in our nation. Bless Joseph, our president; _____, our governor; and all those elected and appointed to make, administer and judge our laws. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Divine Vinedresser, You prune those whom You love. Strengthen our hearts to heed Your Law, that we may never presume to sin nor trust in our own deeds, but look to the rainfall of Your grace for our source of life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**



P Heavenly Father, You bring forth from this barren earth a holy people to press forward to Your heavenly goal. Direct our zeal toward Your good and gracious purpose, and prosper the work of the hands that labor in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, You sing the song of Your love over the vineyard of Your Church. Lift her united voice through Your Spirit, that she in turn would freely praise Your lavish grace and proclaim Your salvation beyond her walls; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C **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.**

The 8:30 am service continues on page 10 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ **11:00 am Service**

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

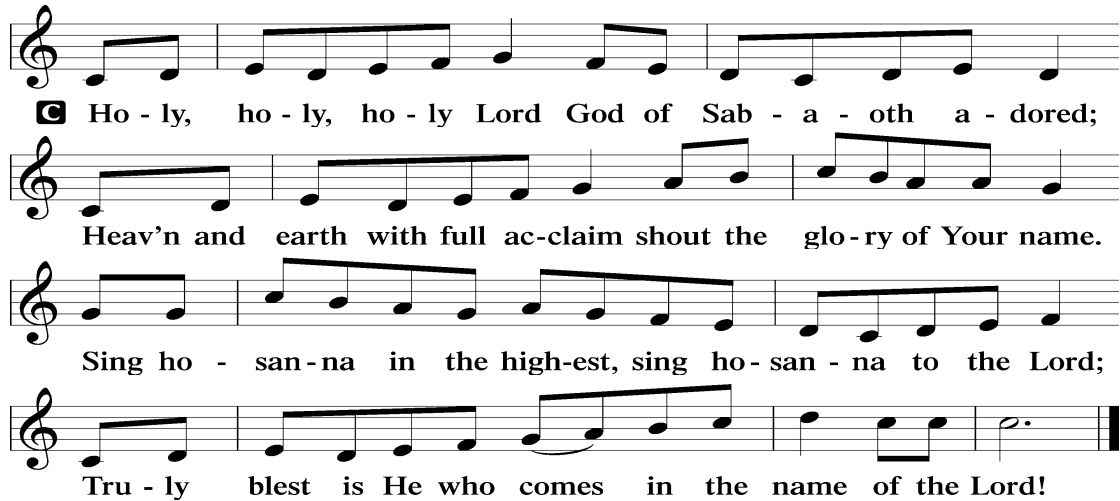
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Your Table I Approach" (LSB 628)
"The Church's One Foundation" (LSB 644)
"Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus" (LSB 529)



(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His

kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

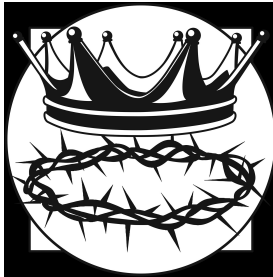
CLOSING HYMN

“God Loved the World So That He Gave”

(LSB 825)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Like a building, we have a foundation stone on which we rest, a cornerstone on which we build, a capstone that holds it all together. Christ is each of those stones—the foundation on which our faith is established, the cornerstone on which our faith is built, and the capstone that holds us up. He is also a stone of stumbling. Those who reject His foundation, His cornerstone, and His capstone are broken into pieces in the Day of Judgment. All of this is revealed in the surprise of a parable about a master who built a vineyard, planted the vines, and set it out for tenants to produce the wine. Instead, they conspired to keep the vineyard as their own, rejected those whom the master sent, and killed his son. This is the story of Jesus and of the people of God that He had chosen and created to be His vineyard. It is a story of warning, but it is also a story of

grace.

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost!

We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Preaching this morning is Rev. Brad Urbach, our Visitation Pastor. Rev. Sam Handschke is our Liturgist.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



Our Broadcasts are sponsored this morning by the family of Lois Erbe in thanksgiving to God and celebration for Lois Erbe's 91st birthday today. We thank Lois' family for sponsoring our broadcasts this week and may God continue to bless Lois with good health and longevity.



The flowers on the Altar this morning are given by Verna Fransen in memory of Harlan, husband, dad and grandpa, whose birthday would have been October 7th. Also Harlan & Verna's 57th anniversary on October 9th.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Sept. 27, Att. 82, Offering \$680.25; **Sun., Oct. 1, Att. 235;** General Fund \$11,062.37; Sunday School \$13.00; Building Fund \$230.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$50.00; HVAC \$1,010.00; Broadcasts \$60.00; State of SD Daycare Grant \$543.60; Bible Study \$13.00; Memorial (Music) in

memory of Arland Klein \$25.00; Endowment Fund (Undesignated) \$25.00; Dakotamart Receipts \$600.00 (\$300 Preschool, \$300 Daycare); Board of Missions (Pulled Pork) \$200.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the form of a **check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!

Bible Studies There is still time to join one of our adult Bible Studies.

Sundays between Worship services, 9:45-10:45, in the St. Matthew (LWML) Room, we are studying the *Gospel of Luke*. On Sunday evenings, at 6:30, the *1, 2, 3 John* study continues in the Living Room.

Mondays

7:30 pm *The book of Acts* **639 N Euclid Ave** for Middle & High School Youth

Tuesday mornings

9:30-11:00 *The Truth Project* in the home of Vona Johnson, call for directions 605-280-7565

10:30-11:30 *Unshakable* in the Young Conference Room

Wednesday evenings

6:00-7:00 *Luke* (Round two) for those who missed Sunday or Wed. works better

6:00-7:00 *The Engagement Project* at the church

6:30 *Hebrews* takes place in homes. Contact David Zuercher 605-222-8424 for more information

Thursday evenings

6:00-7:00 *Reading the Psalms* in the Living Room at church.

Faith circle is again seeking addresses for the recent 2023 graduates as well as the college students of Faith. Our circle not only sends these young adults small gifts of encouragement but we are also covering them with prayer. It is only through your help that we are able to fulfill this mission within our church, so we thank you very much.

A Reminder...to all parents of college age students to send the stamped, pre-addressed post cards they had been sent, back to the church with your student's college address and their current grade (freshman, sophomore, junior or senior). Faith Circle is getting ready

to send our college students something this month and would like to send them to the correct addresses.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Country Fair will be held **Saturday, Oct. 21** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Organized by the Faith Lutheran LWML, the annual bazaar raises funds for many worthwhile causes. **HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Make and bring items for the booths: homemade arts and crafts, baked goods, candy, homegrown produce and canned goods. Donate small items to be used in gift baskets (these items should be marked “for gift baskets” and left in the coat closet by Oct. 4). Sign up to furnish items needed to prepare the noon lunch. Volunteer to help in a booth. And be sure to attend Country Fair on October 21st! (For more information, contact Dawn Koch at 605.222.8964 or Kathleen Monfore at 605.280.5945.)

Main Street Living “Main Street Living” is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, “This is the Life.” Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit www.mainstreetliving.com to view current and past episodes. **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - “Families Come First” - A man contends with the demands of his career, promotion, and his vocation as a father.

10:30 AM - Rev. Randy Sturzenbecher, pastor at Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church in Black Hawk, SD presents a message titled, "The Anatomy of a List." This sermon is based on Deuteronomy 10:12-21. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “These two choices are vastly different: to give birth to a child or to abort it. But one thing is the same: to choose Jesus is to choose life. For Jesus holds every life—even the tiniest—in the nail-scarred palm of His hand.” *Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth 

Midweek/Catechism classes began Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm. This is for ALL our 2nd-8th graders.

Bible Bowl 2024 We received word from the South Dakota LCMS district on the 2024 Bible Bowl. The books of the Bible are Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition is before Palm Sunday. For more information or to register please see Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske. He is around on Sunday for Sunday School and Wednesday for confirmation.

Middle and High School Bible Study

What: Bible Study for middle/high school youth on the book of Acts

Why: To provide a gospel focused community for teens from all walks of life and to help them to grow in their relationship with God and encouragement of one another.

Where: The Church House - **639 N. Euclid**

When: Mondays at 7:30pm

Invite your friends and bring your Bible to come learn what God has to say through the book of Acts!

Contact Cassandra Ryckman (605-222-4895) or Peter Iverson (605-645-0951) if you are interested or have any questions. Look forward to having you attend!

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Oct. 8

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study

11:00 am Communion

5:00 pm Board of Education

6:30 pm *1, 2, 3 John* Bible Study

7:30 pm Board of Missions

Mon: Oct. 9 Columbus Day

7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Oct. 10

8:00 am Staff Devotions

9:30 am *Truth Project*

10:30 am *Unshakable* Women's Study

5-7 pm 5th grade girls basketball in gym

6:15 pm Board of Property Management

7:00 pm Berea Circle

7:00 pm Choir

Wed: Oct. 11

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm *Luke* Bible Study

6:00 pm *Engagement Project*

6:30 pm *Hebrews* (in homes)

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Oct. 12

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5:30 pm-7:30 pm MOPS

6:00 pm *Reading the Psalms*

7:00 pm Faith Circle

Sun: Oct. 15

8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study
11:00 am Worship
1:00 pm Board of Stewardship/Endow

5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship
6:30 pm *1, 2, 3 John* Bible Study