

Reformation Festival



Live a Life of Fearless Witness

Lord of Love Lutheran ChurchWisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod



Welcome! We are so happy you have come to worship today! Someone has described worship as "a joyful dialogue with God." God speaks to us in his Word, and we speak to him in praise and prayer. May God richly bless you through this "joyful dialogue" today!

Restrooms – The restrooms are located straight ahead as you enter the building. You will also find restrooms in the lower level gathering space at the end of the classrooms on the right side before the exit doors.

Parent's Room – The sound of children in the house of the Lord is music to our ears! However there is also a parent room to the right just before you enter the sanctuary if your little one needs a moment. It is accessed as you exit the sanctuary, on the left, next to the seats reserved for families with small children.

Assistance Getting Around – There is a walker and a wheelchair available in the fellowship hall. Anyone who needs them is welcome to use them. Please speak to an usher if you need help accessing them.

Offering Message – An offering will be gathered in the service today. These offerings support the Gospel ministry of Lord of Love locally, and also the global mission of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Visitors need not feel obligated to give, but certainly may if you wish.

Explanation of the theme of the day: Jesus repeatedly told his followers that living as his disciples would bring hardship. Living life according to God's Law is going to make one appear odd in the eyes of the world, perhaps even evil. Sharing a message of mankind's sin and God's gracious salvation can cause offense. So why not just stay silent if that makes life easier? Why not keep our faith private? Answer: because we are going to live forever. In gratitude for Christ saving us and giving us eternal life, we share the gospel with others, hoping that they will believe and be saved too. Since we know we are going to live forever in the perfection of heaven, we don't worry if being a witness for Christ brings hardship or even death.

Martin Luther wanted to reform the false teaching of the church. He stood firm in the truth of the gospel, knowing it might cost him his life. But Luther knew that, thanks to Christ, he would live forever. So will we. Therefore, like Luther, let us live a life of courageous witness.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

October 27, 2024

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING ANTHEM (sung by quintet)

The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation By water and the Word. From heav'n he came and sought her To be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth; Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish. Her dear Lord, to defend, To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end. Though there be those that hate her And strive to see her fail, Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900, abr., alt.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

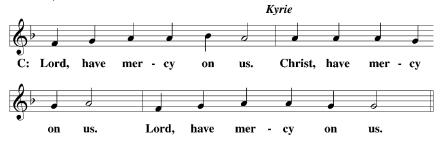


CONFESSION OF SINS

M: 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: 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

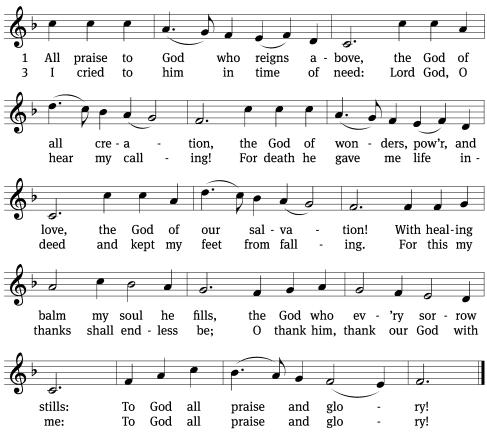


M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Text and tune: Public domain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Daniel 3:16-28

Pastor: ¹⁶ Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego answered King Nebuchadnezzar, "We have no need to answer you about this matter. ¹⁷ Since our God, whom we serve, does exist, he is able to save us from the blazing fiery furnace. So, he may save us from your hand, Your Majesty. ¹⁸ But if he does not, you should know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods, and we will not worship the golden statue that you set up."

All: ¹⁹ Then Nebuchadnezzar was filled with rage, and the expression on his face changed against Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego. He said to heat the furnace seven times hotter than it was usually heated. ²⁰ He ordered some men, who were soldiers from his army, to bind Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego in order to throw them into the blazing fiery furnace. ²¹ So these men were bound in their coats, their pants, their turbans, and their other clothing, and they were thrown into the middle of the blazing fiery furnace. ²² Because the king's order was urgent and the furnace was extremely hot, those men who carried Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego were killed by the intense heat of the fire. ²³ But these three men, Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, who had been tied up, fell into the blazing fiery furnace.

Women: ²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar was startled and immediately stood up. He said to his advisors, "Didn't we throw three men, who had been tied up, into the middle of the fire?" They answered the king, "Certainly, Your Majesty." ²⁵ He said, "Look! I see four men, who are untied and walking around in the middle of the fire, unharmed. What is more, the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods."

Men: ²⁶ Then Nebuchadnezzar approached the door of the blazing fiery furnace. He said, "Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out!" Then Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego came out from the middle of the furnace. ²⁷ The satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the royal advisors gathered together and looked at these men. The fire had no power over their bodies. Not a hair on their head was singed, their robes were not damaged, and the smell of fire had not stuck to them.

All: ²⁸ Nebuchadnezzar said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, who sent his angel and saved his servants, who trusted in God and ignored the king's command. They gave up their bodies and did not pay homage or worship any god except their God.



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.



God is our refuge and strength,* an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the <u>earth</u> give way* and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

though its waters <u>roar</u> and foam* and the mountains quake with their <u>surg</u>ing.

Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,* the holy place where the Most <u>High</u> dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;*
God will help her at break of day.

"Be still, and know that <u>I</u> am God;*

I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted <u>in</u> the earth."

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON Revelation 14:6-7

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying in the middle of the sky. He had the everlasting gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth, to every nation, tribe, language, and people. ⁷ He said with a loud voice:

Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the sky, the earth, the sea, and the springs of water.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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 everlasting. Amen.



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. composite.

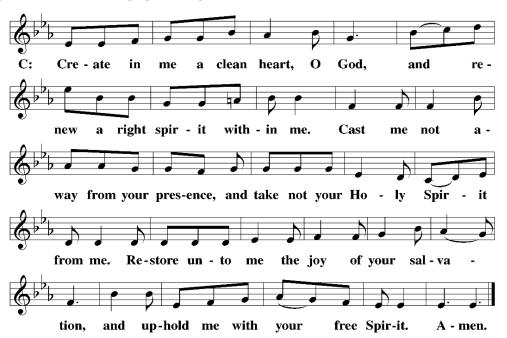
Tune: EIN FESTE BURG (87 87 55 56 7) Martin Luther, 1483-1546, alt.

SERMON Mark 13:5-11

⁵ Jesus began by telling them, "Be careful that no one deceives you. ⁶ Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and will deceive many. ⁷ Whenever you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled. Such things must happen, but the end is not yet. ⁸ In fact, nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines. These are the beginning of birth pains. ⁹ But be on your guard! People will hand you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand in the presence of rulers and kings for my sake as a witness to them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. ¹¹ Whenever they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand what you should say. Say whatever is given to you in that hour, because you will not be the ones speaking; instead it will be the Holy Spirit.

The Gospel Must be Preached!

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

While the offering is being collected, please sign and pass the Friendship Register.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, we give you thanks and praise for all your goodness and tender care, especially on this Reformation festival. Thank you for the gift of your Son and for the revelation of your will and grace. Implant your Word in us, and give us fertile hearts to keep it and bring forth its good fruit in our lives. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of grace, keep us steadfast in your Word, and prevent our wayward hearts from following false gospels that lead us away from you. Provide your Church with faithful pastors who preach in purity that we are saved by your grace alone, through faith alone, because of Christ alone. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, remember all who face adversity of any kind. Comfort them by your Holy Spirit, that they would acknowledge their afflictions as the manifestation of your fatherly will. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, you have given us the certainty of sins forgiven in your Son, set forth as the propitiation by his blood to be received by faith. So lead us to eat and drink your holy body and precious blood in repentance and faith, now and always. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Preserve your Church, O Lord, until that day when we and all your people shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward you have prepared for us and all who have loved his appearing; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

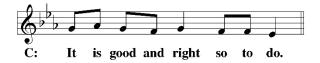
M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

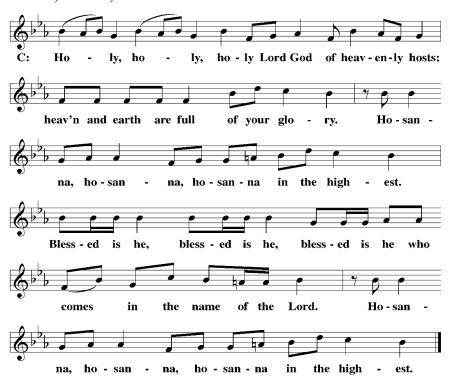


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who in blessing his saints of the past has given us glorious assurance and hope that, following their example of faith, we may run with perseverance the race marked out for us, and receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



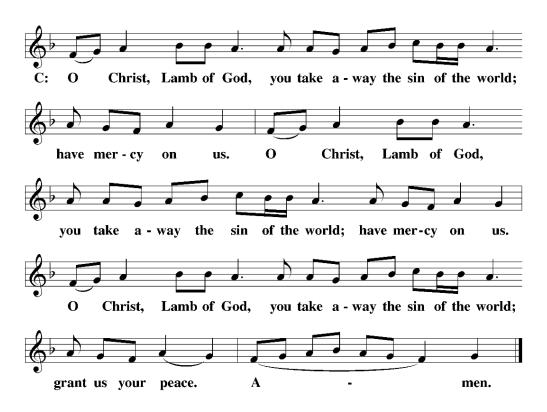
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

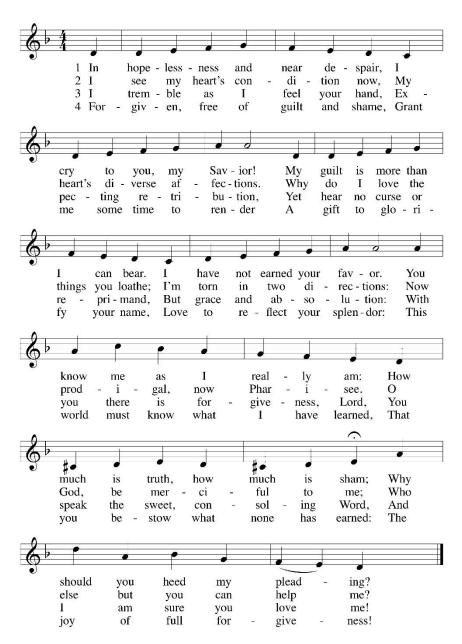




BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.



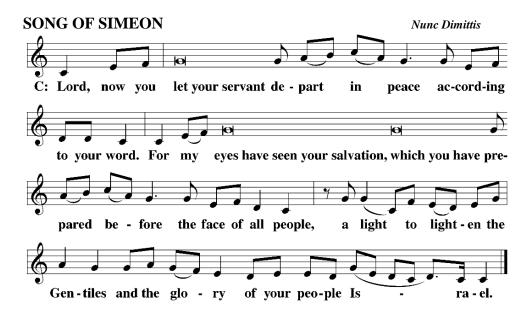
This hymn is a recasting of Martin Luther's great penitential hymn "From Depths of Woe I Cry to You"

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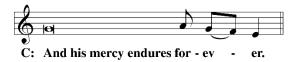


THANKSGIVING

STAND



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

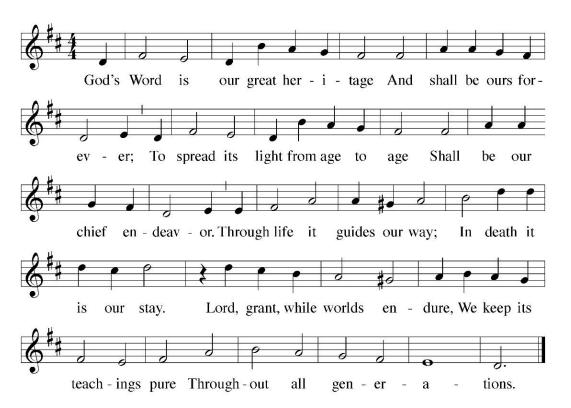
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 293)

God's Word is Our Great Heritage



Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861–1925. Tune: REUTER (87 87 66 66 7) Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am: Exodus, sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: The Gospel of John, lower level

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Revelation, lower level – No Class 10/23

<u>Friday 6:00 am:</u> Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45 | **Matthew** *DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)*

<u>Sunday October 27:</u> Reformation Festival | Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Quarterly Open Forum, Sunday School and Teen Class

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: 8:00: Mitch Myhre and Phil Boll
- Ushers 8:00: Dave and Ben Olson
- Ushers 10:30: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Wayne Kaalberg
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel and Reagan Oughton
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Doughnuts

<u>Sunday November 3:</u> All Saints' | Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School and Teen Class

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: 8:00: Mike Wilson and Jim Miller
- Ushers 8:00: Steven and Sef Fox
- Ushers 10:30: Josh Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Doughnut

<u>Happy Birthday</u> We wish God's blessings to Jenny Johnson (10/27), Kiki Sullivan (10/29), Elizabeth Schoeneberg (10/30), and Bonnie Punzel (11/02) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

<u>Anniversary</u> We wish God's blessings to Nate and Jen Sauer (10/29) as they celebrate their anniversary this week.

<u>In Our Prayers</u> Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman, and Steve Tobison, who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), and Shannon Garrett.

COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE

October 28: Quilting Group | 12-3 – Lower Level

October 29: Choir Practice | Sanctuary

November 2: Eastside Lutheran Craft Show

November 3, 10, 17 & 24: Member Photo Secessions

November 7: Elders & Deaconess Meeting – Fellowship Hall

November 18: Council Meeting – Fellowship Hall

November 16: Ladies Coffee/Breakfast – M-N-M's Waunakee

November 27: Thanksgiving Eve Worship | 6:30 p.m.

November 30: Christmas Tree Set-Up & Decorating | 9:00 am

Food Pantry Collection Ends October 31

Plastic Bins are located at both entrances for donations for the food pantry. You may stop in anytime Tuesday – Friday from 8:30 - 3:30 if you would like to donate. All donations go to the DeForest Area Needs Network. (DANN)

Fall Open Forum | TODAY October 27 - 9:15 - 10:15 am

The Fall Open Forum will be held between services October 27th. No Adult Bible Study.

Youth Group Outing to the Creek Bed Farmacy | TODAY, Meet at Church at 2:00 pm

There is a sign up for the Youth Group Fall Outing that is also being offered to the congregation to join for an afternoon of Corn Mazes & Family Fun at the Creek Bed Farmacy.

Eastside Lutheran Art & Craft Fair | November 2

This year's Eastside Lutheran Art & Craft Fair is being held November 2 from 9:00 - 3:00 pm. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping! Admission is Free!

Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show | December 12 - 12:00 - 4:30 pm

The Fellowship Committee has booked a group space for the Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show on Thursday December 12th. The show runs from 2:30 - 4:30 pm with lunch served at 1 PM. We will meet at church at 12PM to carpool. A minimum of 20 people is needed for the group rate. Payment due by Nov. 24. See Sharon Freund with questions.

Membership Directory - Pictorial Photos

As we have been Blessed with a growing congregation, we felt it would be nice to update our Membership Directory. Throughout the month of November we will have opportunities between services and after late service until 12:30 pm to for individual or family photos to be taken in efforts to update our member directory. These will be 5-10 minute secessions to get updated photos only. There is No cost and No sales, simply photos. You will have a choice of 2 backdrop colors or a designated space outdoors to have your photo taken. If you have a recent photo that you would prefer to use, please submit to

<u>lolchurchoffice@gmail.com</u>. We are looking to update those that are outdated or for members who would like a refreshed photo, so we are encouraging everyone to participate, however there is no obligation. There is a sign up for each week for either between services or after late, so our photographers have an idea of how many to expect each week.

Winter Clothing Collection for the Dane County Jail

Throughout the month of November we will be collecting gently used winter coats, hats, gloves, or boots to donate to the Dane County Jail Ministry for those being released from the Dane County Jail and are in immediate need for a winter jacket and winter clothing: Winter Coats: Men's, Women's and unisex size L, XL, XXL, 3X, 4X. Men's and women's: pants and sweatshirts size medium to 2XL. Donation will be accepted until December 2nd. There is a bin in the fellowship hall coat room.

Drumstick Drive

Once again, Lord of Love is participating in our annual Drumstick Drive. We will be providing food items for a number of Thanksgiving meals for families in need within our community... How can you donate? Watch for our Turkey Tom to appear in the narthex, Pluck a feather, and purchase the designated item. All donations need to be delivered to church on November 24^{th} . (Turkeys can only be delivered on November 24. Meals will be assembled from 11:30 – noon, for the receiving families to pick up from 12:00 – 1:30 pm) If you would like to volunteer to assemble the boxes please add your name to the signup sheet located in the entry of Church. Anyone is welcome to participate.

Ladies Friendship Holiday Dinner Outing | December 5, 6:00 pm | Rodeside Grill

What a fun evening this will be for the ladies of our congregation to enjoy a dinner out, followed by some joyful time of Holiday games & fellowship. We will also have an ornament exchange for those who are interested. Simply bring an ornament of a value of \$5 or less to participate in the exchange. You do not have to participate to attend. This Holiday Dinner Outing is open to all the ladies our congregation.

Christmas Tree Set Up and Decorating | November 30, 9:00 am

We would like to welcome anyone who would like to join us to meet at the church at 9:00 am to help set up and decorate our two Christmas trees and beautify our sanctuary for the Holiday Season celebrating Jesus' birth. All ages are invited to attend, treats will be provided.

September Financials

Monthly Budget Report	September 2024	Year to Date
Income	\$ 33,789	\$ 105,152
Expenses	\$ 31,052	\$ 92,930
Excess Income/Expense	+ \$ 2,737	+\$ 12,222

Budget year July 2024 – June 2025



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD." Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.