

PRELUDE: "Carry Me Home"

arranged by Marty Parks

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING SONG:

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (LSB 576)



1 My hope is built on nothing less Than
2 When dark-ness veils His love-ly face, I
3 His oath, His cov-e-nant and blood Sup-
4 When He shall come with trum-pet sound, Oh,



Je-sus' blood and right-teous-ness; No mer-it of my
rest on His un-chang-ing grace; In ev-'ry high and
port me in the rag-ing flood; When ev-'ry earth-ly
may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His right-teous-



own I claim But whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.
storm-y gale My an-chor holds with-in the veil.
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
ness a-lone, Re-deemed to stand be-fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is



sink-ing sand, All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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.**

Silence to reflect on God's Word and 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

INTROIT: *Psalm 121:1–2, 5, 7–8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*

Heaven and earth will pass away, **but my words will not pass away.**

I lift up my eyes to the hills. **From where does my help come?**

My help comes from the Lord, **who made heaven and earth.**

The Lord is your keeper; **the Lord is your shade on your right hand.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil; **he will keep your life.**

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in **from this time forth and forevermore.**

***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.***

Heaven and earth will pass away, **but my words will not pass away.**

SONG OF PRAISE: *“The King of Glory” (AGPS 227)*

Refrain: The King of Glory comes, the nation rejoices; Open the gates before Him, lift up your voices.

1. **Who is the King of Glory; how shall we call Him? He is Emmanuel, the Promised of ages.**
(Refrain)

2. **In all of Galilee, in city or village, He goes among His people curing their illness.** *(Refrain)*

3. **Sing then of David’s son, our Savior and Brother, In all of Galilee was never another.**
(Refrain)

4. **He gave His life for us, the Lamb of salvation, He took upon Himself the sins of the nation.**
(Refrain)

5. **He conquered sin and death, He truly has risen, And He will share with us His heavenly vision.** *(Refrain)*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING:*Malachi 4:1–6*

P: “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL:*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

P: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

C: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

P: Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

C: in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

EPISTLE:*2 Thessalonians 3:6–13*

P: Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone’s bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SONG:*“King of Kings” (AGPS 151, sung twice)*

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

HOLY GOSPEL:*Luke 21:5-28*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21st chapter. **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, “As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” And they asked

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!
2. *No more crying there, we are going to see the King!*
No more crying there, we are going to see the King!
No more crying there, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!
3. *No more dying there, we are going to see the King!*
No more dying there, we are going to see the King!
No more dying there, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: *"The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" (LSB 348)*



1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light tri - um-phant breaks,
 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, To bear and fight and die,
 3 Oh, bright-er than the ris - ing morn When Christ, vic - to-rious, rose
 4 Oh, bright-er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race
 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light and beau-ty brings.



When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a-wakes.
 But crowned with glo - ry like the sun That lights the morn-ing sky.
 And left the lone-some place of death De - spite the rage of foes.
 The day when Christ in splen-dor comes And we shall see His face.
 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo-ple pray: Come quick-ly, King of kings!

SERMON

SONG OF RESPONSE: *"In God We Believe" (AGPS 136)*

1. In God we believe: the Creator whose pow'r
In mercy has brought us for worship this hour.
He graciously grants us our years and our days
And blesses with kindness our work and our ways.

2. In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secured.
True God and true man once the cross He endured
To grant our lives wholeness, forgiveness of sin.
With hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace within.

3. God's Spirit at work in our lives we confess;
With power and truth the church now He does bless.
As saints, God's forgiven, one day we shall then
Be living in glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY:

“Be Thou My Vision”

1. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
2. High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's
Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(please stand if you are able)*

(Each petition ends “Lord, in Your mercy” and we respond, “hear our prayer.”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Margaret Hanebutt, Roger Hanebutt, Brendan Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Rev. Russell Koen, Vernon Koester, Nancy Langrehr, Kevin Liefer, Mary Liefer, Paul Mollet, Norma Preston, Jay Prigge, Mary Schultz, David Snyder; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Mary Gibson, Taylor Gregory, Shirley Hartmann, Tina Heinemann, Gerald Hitzemann, Andrea Kuehner, Izzy McDermott, Tyson Moonier, Ron Pflueger, Oliver Scarbie, Sue Schreier, Lorraine Serio, Mary Jo Shelton, Ted Stellhorn, Milton Theobald III, Matthew Vallett, Amy Winkelman, Roger Womack.

MILITARY: Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Chase Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler, Abbey Vallett; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Kaleb Barriger, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Chad Buch, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Craig Moll, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan

+those who mourn: family of Loretta Bievenue; died in the Lord on Friday, October 31

+those who mourn: family of Terry Reinhardt; died in the Lord on Tuesday, November 11

THE LORD'S PRAYER and CLOSING PRAYER:

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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. A-men.**

BENEDICTION:

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: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG:

“In Christ Alone”

1. In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.

**This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.**

2. In Christ alone who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless Babe.
**This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.**

3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.
**Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me.**

For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ,

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
**From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.**

POSTLUDE: “The Solid Rock”

arranged by Anna Laura Page

Instrumentalists: Lindsey and Jonathan Hudak, John Kellerhouse, Brandon Nehrt

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This Week with Our Lord, November 16-23, 2025

SUNDAY, November 16-

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Jr. Youth Operation Christmas Child Packing Party in Fellowship Hall

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Family Painting Party at School

Monday, November 17-

5:30 p.m. BBB vs. St. Mary's

5:30 p.m. GBB @ ICS

7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir in School Music Room

Tuesday, November 18-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

3:15 p.m. Office Staff Meeting

5:30 p.m. BBB vs. ICS

6:00 p.m. GBB @ Steeleville

6:00 p.m. Altar Guild Meeting in Church

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 19-

7:00 a.m. Public School Confirmation

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. 3rd through 8th Grade Chapel at Church

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

3:15 p.m. Public School Confirmation

6:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education Meeting

Thursday, November 20- *Pastor Mark Winkelman day off*

6:00 p.m. BBB @ Coulterville

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice at Church

GBB "A Team" Tournament at TSJ begins

Friday, November 21- *Epistle Articles are due!*

Fall Picture Retake Day at School

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel at School

BBB "A Team" Tournament at Good Shepherd begins

Saturday, November 22-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Blaine Rohlfing

SUNDAY, November 23-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Austin Stellhorn

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Aliviah Gulley

12:00 p.m. Sonshine Visits Meeting

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

November 9: Worship: 363; Communion: 87; Adult Bible Classes: 37; Sunday School: 45

Nov. 11-12: Women's Bible Study: 16. Chapel on Nov. 12: 246; Chapel on Nov. 14: n/a

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join together in the grace of giving. 11/9- General: \$12,047.15; School: \$550.00; Christmas Decoration Fund: \$120.00; LCFS Gifts: \$50.00; Elder Baskets: \$110.00; Lutheran Witness: \$27.85.

2026 LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL:

If you are currently receiving or would like to be added to receive the Lutheran Witness subscription, please call the office at 282-2394. We will need to submit our renewal order by December 1st. The 2026 subscription payment of \$27.85 may be turned into the office or collected in the offertory. Please have checks made payable to the church.

FLOWERS IN CHANCEL:

+ The flowers on the pedestal today are given in memory of Susie Harms.

+ To have flowers in worship please call the office at 618-282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Loretta Bievenue who died in the Lord on Friday October 31st at the age of 82 years. She received a Christian funeral here on Thursday, November 6th. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

MATCHING OPPORTUNITY UPDATE:

We have met our \$5,000 matching goal but will continue to receive donations until November 16th. Please mark envelopes "matching gift" or put this in the memo line of checks.

JUNIOR YOUTH – OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PACKING PARTY:

Sunday November 16th - 12 pm (or after church) until 2 pm in the church fellowship hall. This is also the same day as the 6th grade painting party fundraiser so if any 6th graders come to help, they can walk over to school whenever the fundraiser starts or whenever they need to be there. If everyone could bring an item or two to help fill the boxes that would be great! Let Erin Kuehn know if you have any questions!

EVENING GUILD GATHERING:

Tuesday, November 18, at 7:00 pm, the Evening Guild gathers in the fellowship hall. Guest speaker: Stephanie Liefer sharing the Youth Gathering this summer.

LCFS GIFTS: *Donations to be in office by Friday, November 21st!*

Sharing with those in need, is showing the love of Jesus. We will again be adopting 12 children through Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois, to provide gifts for them at Christmas. Please have your monetary gift in an envelope marked "LCFS gift" to the school's office or drop it in the offering plate by Nov. 21, 2025, so that there is ample time to purchase the gifts. See Mr. Becker for the label(s) that need to be placed on each unwrapped gift. I plan to deliver all the gifts on Friday, Dec. 5. The money collected will be divided equally among the classes in Daycare-8th grade. Thank you for your love and compassion to those who are less fortunate.

SONSHINE:

Sonshine Visits Meeting, **Sunday, November 23rd** at 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments to be served.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION FUND UPDATE:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Decoration Fund! We've reached our goal and can refresh many of our bows, ribbons, and ornaments. Special thanks to Jo Ellner for generously giving her time and talent to remake the bows and purchase the supplies needed. Your support helps make our church shine this Christmas season!

DECORATING CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS:

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Friday, November 28th around 2pm.

ELDER BASKET DELIVERIES AND DONATIONS:

If you would like to contribute to our Christmas gifts for our homebound and shut-in members, please place your gift in an envelope marked "Elder Baskets" and put it into an offering plate at church or bring/send it to the church office. Deliveries will take place the morning of Saturday, December 6.

EVENING GUILD MISSION PROJECTS:

Musketeer Market food drive: Any canned items and new or gently used coats of all sizes are welcome. ComWell's Homeless Care Kits to be distributed in Randolph County. The kit bags need warm hats, scarves, gloves, socks, puzzle books, baby wipes, and snacks. Monetary donations to either of these are also accepted and welcome.

SPREADING THE LOVE OF JESUS:

St. John's Lutheran Daycare is seeking help with the mission of spreading the love of Jesus. In December we are looking to visit Garden Place to sing and visit with residents. In order to do this we would be using a bus for up to two hours. Any individuals that could assist in the bus cost for this mission would be greatly appreciated as we are excited for this journey to bring love and joy to the residents as well as the children. The cost is not expected to exceed \$100.00. For more information on assisting in this endeavor, please call the center at 618-282-3873 ext. 224 or by email at amandaf@stjohnsredbud.org We thank you for your support.

SECOND THURSDAY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES:

We will be having a Holy Communion Service on the second Thursday of the Month. So, mark your calendars. Service will be held on Dec. 11th, and Jan. 8th at 3:00 pm. Feel free to come and join us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office or Pastor Mark Winkelman.

COOKIE WALK:

Trinity Lutheran Church in Millstadt invites the community to its annual Christmas Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 13, from 9:00 am to noon. Come stock up on all your favorite delicious HOMEMADE Christmas Cookies which are sold by the pound (\$14 per pound for mixed cookies and \$15 per pound for fancy cookies). Advance orders are welcome. Please contact Shirley Boehm at 618-476-1113 to place your order or for any other information. Trinity's address is 503 East Washington, Millstadt, Illinois 62260. The building is walker, wheelchair, and stroller friendly. Proceeds will go to the Millstadt Food Pantry.

LCMS MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

11/16- Robert Kueker, Wyatt Kennedy; 11/17- Debra Hartmann; 11/18- Lorna Schneider, Cynthia Stellhorn, Trinity Bolter, Chloe Reinhardt; 11/19- Darla Hollmann, Byron Rahn, Taylor Giglotto; 11/20- Jonathan Ratz, Lacy Evancich, William Kuehn; 11/21- Kalin Liefer, Melinda Kiefer, Terrill Deffenbaugh.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. The big decision to make is whether an estate plan is merely a legal/financial activity or is it an activity of faith. Your will can include a Christian preamble, a statement of faith captured in permanent record, meant to give confession of your faith and encouragement for beneficiaries of your estate to practice faithful stewardship, just as you have. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor has samples to share with you to get you started. Contact Scott Radden phone# 618-977-4049 or email scott.radden@lfnd.org.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Addington Place-Sparta: Kathryn Chunn; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke, Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care-Waterloo: Martha Rohlfing; Cedarhurst of Tesson Heights: Ruth Hecht, Paul Schrieber; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers, Wil Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Geraldine Koester.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Columbia: Pat Byer; Red Bud: Elaine Guebert, Alice Hick, Mary Liefer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorna Schneider, Esther Williams, Helen Winkelman.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Barb Korves, LuAnn & Rick Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Trudy Woolbright.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2025-2026: (Chairman, Stuart Langrehr)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Louis Stellhorn (618/623-8495)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman-Elder Ron Liefer (618/282-3950)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 5: W/M Krick thru J. Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6 : P. Malik thru L. Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru D. Schrader- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/282-8228)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Michael Schnepel (618/363-9575)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann – A. Zeller- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

As the days draw closer to Christ's return, we have witnessed people brought before kings and governors for the sake of Jesus' name and the truth that every life is precious in God's sight, just like Jesus warned (Luke 21:10-12). But don't be afraid! "This is your opportunity to bear witness" (Luke 21:13)! We can go out "leaping like calves from the stall" (Malachi 4:2), proclaiming the sanctity of all life because we know that God promises to "give you a mouth and wisdom" (Luke 21:15) and that the "sun of righteousness" shall soon "rise with healing in its wings" (Malachi 4:2).

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Luke 21:6 – "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." Everything in this world is headed for the graveyard, but some things are also destined to rise from the grave. On that Day of Resurrection — as we look back on our earthly life — what will we see? What will have really mattered? This is a good question to ask ourselves in this season of the church year that focuses on The Last Things.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

This week begins a new series on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" will take listeners through a study of some of the hymns of thanksgiving in Lutheran Service Book. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we continue our series on the Gospel of Matthew! This week's study will cover chapters 22-25. Don't forget to tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (11/22 at 10 a.m. CT). We'll be starting a discussion of the Lord's Prayer as found in the Large Catechism. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Name on the Front"

Mercy is an others-focused attitude because God is an others-first God. (Romans 12:5-6). Listen on KFUO AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m., on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM or on Sirius XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 9 a.m.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD LUNCHEON:

Date: Friday, Dec. 5, 2025

Registration: 11:30 a.m. in Koburg Hall

Luncheon: Noon

Ingathering: *New socks and underwear, sized infant through 12 years, for the Re-Sell It Shop. Bring items to Koburg Hall.*

Program: *Laudamus- Special performance by the Seminary's premier choir*

Director Dr. Sam Eatherton, Kreft Professor for Music Arts

Menu: Roasted turkey with gravy, sweet potato casserole, cornbread, green beans, dinner rolls, peppermint cheesecake

Cost: \$20 per person

RSVP Deadline: Nov. 21, 2025

Mail reservation with your check(s) made payable to Concordia Seminary Guild to:

Ellyn Petrovic, 3375 Dana Drive, Arnold, MO 63010-4255

OR online (csl.edu/sem-guild-luncheon) **Questions?** 314-952-8202

CASEY'S REWARDS:

Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to St. John's school through the Casey's app.

ATTENTION COFFEE DRINKERS:

We are in Community Coffee's program, "Cash for Schools." By clipping the proof of purchase off packages of ground coffee and/or K cups our school earns rewards. You can drop off proof of purchases at the school office. Thank you for participating in this program to benefit our school!

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Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy Fourth Grade – Monica Snyder

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Jr High Science – Sara Shepherd

Athletic Director – Scott Voss Cooks – Catrena Heck and Marilyn Oettle

Before/After School Care – Courtney Schoenbeck

School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Amy Williams,
Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz,

Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz,

Hailey Guebert, Brittany Smith, Madison Falkenhain, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison

Trask, Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements, Tori Muench, Molly Huether, Cailee

Strong, Ally Hodges, Reagan Birkner, and Olivia Noethen.

Church Council

Chairman: Michael DeRousse Vice-Chairman: Kevin Guebert
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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Winkelman
Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (8 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker
Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Easton Ruebusch; (8 a.m.) Henry Schnepel
(10:30 a.m.) Holden Wagner
Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley & Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Kalin & Kathy Liefer
(10:30 a.m.) Vernitta Wolter & Cindy Ebers
Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Breanne Muench
Flower Servers: Amanda Ruhmann & Doreen Schnepel Paraments: Irma Birkner