



Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Truth – Relevance – Inspiration

Saturday, 10/29 at 4 pm; Sunday, 10/30 at 9 am

Reformation Day (observed) – 2022



Today we welcome **Rev. Robert Marshall**, a representative of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation, as our guest preacher.

This Service Is **Divine Service, Setting Three** (Adapted from Lutheran Service Book, 184-202).

DIVINE SERVICE: *Let us gladly receive God's gifts through word and sacrament!*

- ✦ **Visitors:** Welcome! Please take a visitor basket (Narthex) and introduce yourself to the pastor.
- ✦ **Prayer Request:** Use a "yellow" card (Narthex).
- ✦ **Young Children:** Activity bags (by worship entrance); Little Lamb Room (off Narthex); Children's Message (please come forward).
- ✦ **Phone:** Please silence.
- ✦ **Hearing Assistance:** Available in the Narthex.

- ✦ **Worship From Your Car:** Receive at our main entrance; then listen from your car (FM 89.9).

WELCOME – REFORMATION DAY:

L: Jesus did all the work for our salvation!
C: **We are saved by grace through faith!**

Note: Today's Confession and Absolution will be part of our Lord's Supper liturgy.

PRELUDE: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Strong and Mighty Luther/ Held

SERVICE OF THE WORD

↑ **INVOCATION** – *We remember God's work to clothe us in the righteousness of Christ:*

L: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
Sunday Procession: *We focus on Jesus!*

See the words below / TLH 658 / LSB 657

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
And wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe
Has sworn to work us woe.
With craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might.
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
Whom God Himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is He,
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

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KYRIE (Mark 10:46-52): *Let Us Pray:*

L: O Lord, elected by God Himself,

C: **have mercy upon us.**

L: O Christ, our God-sent champion,

C: **have mercy upon us.**

L: O Lord, who holds the field victorious,

C: **have mercy upon us.**

SALUTATION and COLLECT:

L: The LORD be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: *Let us pray.* Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** ↓ Children! *Please come forward!*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

What Was the Reformation?

Getting back to the truth about how we get to heaven!

What is the way to heaven?

1) What I am doing



2) What Jesus did for me



Jesus Was Crucified Between Two Criminals

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS:

The Blaha Family: Daniel, Jackie, Zachary, Aiden,
Ellyanna and Serafina (*Dan is a son of Alan & Linda*)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

See the words below / TLH 658 / LSB 657

- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threat'ning to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand;
They cannot overpower us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;
In battle we'll engage.
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.
- 4 God's Word forever shall abide,
No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God Himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Though life be wrenched away,
They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom's ours forever!

FIRST READING: Revelation 14:6-7 NAS-95

See Below / Pew Bible Page 1928 / Own Bible

⁶ And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people; ⁷ and 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 heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Note: After the false theology of the Middle Ages (500-1500), God raised-up Martin Luther and others to proclaim the eternal gospel to the

world. Those who effectively hear also fear, glorify, and worship the maker of heaven and earth!

PSALM: 46 ESV

See Below / Front of LSB / Own Bible

- 1 God is our refuge and strength,*
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,*
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
- 3 though its waters roar and foam,*
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,*
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;*
God will help her when morning dawns.
- 6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;*
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- 7 The LORD of hosts is with us,*
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- 8 Come, behold the works of the LORD,*
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- 9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;*
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
- 10 "Be still, and know that I am God.*
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
- 11 The LORD of hosts is with us,*
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
**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.**

No one can make himself righteous; *God's gift of righteousness comes through faith in Jesus!*

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law [that is, all of us], so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God; ²⁰ because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified [made right] in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now **apart from the Law** the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets [the OT Scriptures], ²² even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ being **justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus**; ²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith [when Jesus was crucified and God's eternal wrath poured out upon Him]. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus [in forgiving us, God does not compromise His justice; Jesus paid our penalty].

²⁷ Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith. ²⁸ For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

↑ ALLELUIA and VERSE (LSB 156):
See the words below / LSB 156

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e-ter-nal life.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

The Truth will set you FREE!

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O LORD.

³¹ So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

³³ They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been enslaved to anyone; how is it that You say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin.

³⁵ "The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. ³⁶ "So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ. ↓

HYMN: Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain
See the words below / TLH 288 / LSB 865

- 1 Lord, help us ever to retain
The Catechism's doctrine plain
As Luther taught the Word of truth
In simple style to tender youth.
- 2 Help us Your holy Law to learn,
To mourn our sin and from it turn
In faith to You and to Your Son
And Holy Spirit, Three in One.
- 3 Hear us, dear Father, when we pray
For needed help from day to day
That as Your children we may live,
Whom You baptized and so received.
- 4 Lord, when we fall or go astray,
Absolve and lift us up, we pray;
And through the Sacrament increase
Our faith till we depart in peace.



HYMN:
Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
See the words below / TLH 261 / LSB 655

- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

- **Thanks for honoring the LORD:** By giving to His work ♦first, ♦proportionately, and ♦faithfully.
- **Jesus said:** “Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure--pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return” (Luke 6:38 NAS-95).
- **Offering:** A plate is available in the center aisle.
- **Consider Including Bethlehem in Your Will:** You could receive tax benefits while supporting the preaching of God’s word to future generations. Get help: www.lcmsfoundation.org; 800-325-7912

↑ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: *Let Us Pray*

After Each Petition: L: LORD, in Your mercy.
C: Hear our prayer.

Reminder: God always can help and heal, but it doesn’t mean He always will; *most important is knowing Jesus as Savior and Lord!*

For Our Nation and Others

- ➔ **Election Day Is November 8:** Let’s support candidates and policies that agree with God, the Bible, morality, and common sense!
 - Since children are gifts from God, *let us vote for candidates that support life.*
 - Since immorality brings God’s judgment, *let us vote for all that is pleasing to God.*
 - Since God made, controls, and sustains the heavens and the earth, *let us vote for candidates and policies that support the use of our God-given resources.*
 - Since a strong and fair justice system will rightly punish the criminals and protect law-abiding citizens, *let us vote for strong policing and courageous judges.*
 - Since many criminals and killer-drugs are coming in through our southern border, *let us vote for candidates who will close the border and put a proper system of legal immigration in place.*

- ➔ **Armed Forces:** *For toughness, strength, and courage!* James Martin, Chris Sala, Warren Gellings, Nick Riviotta, Jacob Smith, Drew Tenney, Chris Weseloh
- ➔ **Safety Forces:** *For community support, judicial support, courage, and safety!*
- ➔ **The People of Ukraine:** *For peace!*

For our Congregation

NAU **James 5:16** ...pray for one another...

- ➔ **Reformation:** *Centuries ago, and today, many assume that GOOD WILL BE GOOD ENOUGH to get into heaven, but all such teaching is false! God requires sinless perfection, yet since all have sinned, ALL NEED JESUS!*
- ➔ **Outreach:** *For success in reaching people with God's love and truth!*
- ➔ **Classes – BC & SS:** *For teaching that is Biblical, clear, interesting, and relevant!*
- ➔ **Bible Basics Courses:** *For the Holy Spirit to bless all who attend!*
- ➔ **Childcare Center:** *For increased enrollment and success in reaching out to the parents!*
- ➔ **Care:** *For the following who cannot attend: Wally A, Helga B, David C, Jeanette D, Carole G, Hedwig G, Nancy H, Edmund & Christl K, Elsa M, Regina M, Bonnie M, Connie P, June R, Jean S, Mike & Susanna T, Ed W (They receive a mailing each week and a visit each month. Someone missing? Let us know!)*
- ➔ **Stephen Ministry:** Norma S (*leader*); Alan C, Nancy B (*ministers*); and care receivers.
- ➔ **Grief Share:** *For blessings on the facilitators and all attendees – Tuesdays at 6:30.*
- ➔ **Leadership Team:** The following positions will be open for 2023: ☞ Assistant Coordinator, ☞ Pastor Team, ☞ Financial Secretary, ☞ Treasurer, ☞ Worship, ☞ Care, ☞ Education, ☞ Childcare, and ☞ Outreach.

- Elections for those positions will take place on Sunday, November 20 at our annual voters meeting at 10:30.
- If you are interested in any of those positions, see the end of this service folder for a summary of each position.
- If you want to run for a position (and are not currently on the leadership team), complete a Leadership Team Application – available in the Narthex.

- ➔ **Health Concerns:** *See below for names and needs, then please pray accordingly!*
 - **Carol Dickau** (1) – hip replacement, **11/4**.
 - **Jim Ford** (3) – bladder issue, double vision.
 - **Dr. Giessler** (2) – fell 10/16.
 - **Eleanor Lewis** (3) – skin cancer.
 - **Jerry Huttner** (1) – brain cancer.
 - **Jim Jenni** (2) – rehab from a stroke.
 - **Mike Kaderle** (1) – heart valve surg. **11/3**.
 - **Connie Pysz** (1) – dialysis.
 - **Debbie Stender** (1) – hip replacement surgery – hopefully soon!
 - **Bill Sweeny** (1) – dialysis, rehab.
 - **Harold Weseloh** (3) – swollen eye.

For Others

- ➔ **Health Concerns:**
 - **Edie Alderson** (1) – lung biopsy, blood clots.
 - **Kimberly Borland** (3) – skin issues, pain.
 - **Paul G** (2) – Brain surgery to remove tumor.
 - **Melanie Himmelberger** (3) – bone cancer.
 - **Michelle Schneider** (2) – liver/kidney issues.
 - **Mark Woodward** (1) – throat & lung cancer; now receiving more chemo.
- ➔ **Comfort and Peace:** To Jim and Eileen Kovach, and family and friends of Jim's mom, Rose, who passed away 10/21.

Celebrate and Give Thanks

Physical Birthdays:

11/4 Gloria Hurka

Spiritual Birthdays:

10/31 Tiina May

11/1 Hannah Hlavacek

11/4 Lynne Gellings

Wedding Anniversaries:

10/30 Ken & Linda Hinkle (46th)

10/30 Greg & Klara Seefeld (30th)

11/4 Chuck & Ruth Blaha (30th)

This Week: 10/30 – 11/5

Sunday:

- ➔ 9:00 Divine Service
- ➔ 10:15 Prayer – see a
Stephen Minister
- ➔ 10:15 Refreshments – *Join us down the hall*
- ➔ 10:30 Classes:
 - ★ **Adults & Youth:** LHF Presentation
 - ★ **Children:** Joseph Forgives His Brothers



Monday:

- ➔ 4:00 Youth Confirmation – Zoom

Tuesday:

- ➔ 6:00 – Grief Share

Wednesday:

- ➔ 9:30 – BFC Bible Time
- ➔ 6:00 – Bible Basics – Class 4 – *Confession and the Sacrament of the Altar; everyone is welcome to attend!*

Thursday:

- ➔ 10:00 Living the Lutheran Lectionary

Friday:

- ➔ 12:00 Pray – *Gather at the altar*

Saturday:

➔ 3:00 Bible Class

➔ 4:00 Divine Service

Before going to bed, remember to:



Conclusion:

L: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

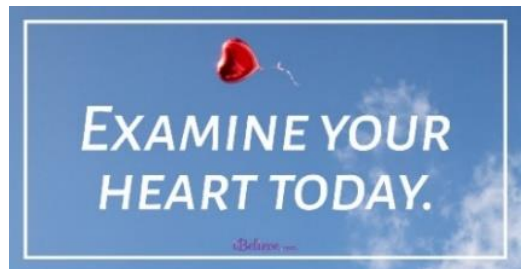
C: Amen. ↓

Let Us Have the Attitude of Jesus When He Prayed:

Not My will, but Your will be done. Then, *let us accept God's will and be at peace in Jesus!*

SUPPER PREPARATION

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



LORD'S SUPPER SELF-EXAMINATION:

The Supper can certainly give us much assurance that our sins are forgiven through Jesus, *but self-examination is essential: "Let a person examine himself" (1Co. 11:28 ESV).* Therefore, please use the following information for your own self-examination:

Part 1: Am I a Christian? (5 questions)

1. **Do I believe the Bible is true?** Y N

2. **Am I sorry for my sins** (*admitting them and wanting to turn from them*)? Y N
3. **Am I trusting in Jesus alone** (*in who He is – the Son of God, and what He did – living as my sinless substitute, receiving my sins and eternal punishment, and laying down His life*) **for my entrance into heaven?** Y N
4. **Am I baptized?** Y N
5. **Do I desire to live for Christ?** Y N

Summary: A Christian knows the Bible is true, is sorry for his sins, is trusting in Jesus alone for eternal life, has been baptized into Christ, and desires to live for Christ! If those things are true for you, *then you are a Christian!* If not, let's schedule a time to talk!

Part 2: Am I right with others? (2 questions)

1. **Am I reconciled with others?** Y N
2. **Am I forgiving others?** Y N

Summary: Even if others refuse to reconcile or accept our forgiveness, *it is vital for us to try to work things out and extend forgiveness!* Are such things true in your life? If not, repent!

Part 3: Do I believe what the Bible says about the Lord's Supper? (2 questions)

1. **Are the elements of the Lord's Supper bread, body, wine, and blood?** Y N
2. **Is the main benefit of the Supper the forgiveness of sins?** Y N

Summary: Since all have sinned (Rom. 3:23), Jesus gave His body and shed His blood to provide forgiveness. In the Lord's Supper, by the power of God, Jesus' given body has been united to the bread and Jesus' shed blood has been united to the wine. Since Christians cannot live sinless lives (Eccl. 7:20), the Lord's Supper is God's way of assuring us that – *in Christ* – we are forgiven. Do you believe such things? If not, let's schedule a time to talk!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (“Christian Questions with Their Answers” by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther):

- L: **(1)** Do you believe that you are a sinner?
 C: **Yes, I believe it. I am a sinner.**
- L: **(2)** How do you know this?
 C: **From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.**
- L: **(3)** Are you sorry for your sins?
 C: **Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.**
- L: **(4)** What have you deserved from God because of your sins?
 C: **His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.**
- L: **(5)** Do you hope to be saved?
 C: **Yes, that is my hope.**
- L: **(6)** In whom then do you trust?
 C: **In my dear Lord Jesus Christ.**
- L: **(7)** Who is Christ?
 C: **The Son of God, true God and true Man.**
- L: **(8)** How many God's are there?
 C: **Only one, but there are three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**
- L: **(9)** What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?
 C: **He died for me and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of sins.**
- L: **(10)** Did the Father also die for you?
 C: **He did not. The Father is God only, as is the Holy Spirit; but the Son is both true God and true man. He died for me and shed His blood for me.**
- L: **(11)** How do you know this?
 C: **From the holy Gospel, from the words instituting the Sacrament, and by His body and blood given me as a pledge in the sacrament.**
- L: **(12)** These are the words of institution: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *“Take, eat; this is My body,*

which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: *“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

L: **(13)** Do you believe, then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the sacrament?

C: **Yes, I believe it.**

L: **(14)** What convinces you to believe this?

C: **The word of Christ: Take, eat, this is My body; drink of it, all of you, this is My blood.**

L: **(15)** What should we do when we eat His body and drink His blood, and in this way receive His pledge?

C: **We should remember and proclaim His death and the shedding of His blood, as He taught us: This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

L: **(16)** Why should we remember and proclaim His death?

C: **First, so we may learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins. Only Christ, true God and true Man, could do that. Second, so we may learn to be horrified by our sins, and to regard them as very serious. Third, so we may find joy and comfort in Christ alone, and through faith in Him be saved.**

L: **(17)** What motivated Christ to die and make full payment for your sins?

C: **His great love for His Father, for me, and for other sinners.**

L: **(18)** Finally, why do you wish to go to the Sacrament?

C: **That I may learn to believe that Christ, out of great love, died for my sin, and also learn from Him to love God and my neighbor.**

L: **(19)** What should admonish and encourage a Christian to receive the Sacrament frequently?

C: **First, both the command and the promise of Christ the Lord. Second, his own pressing need, because of which the command, encouragement, and promise are given.**

L: **(20)** But what should you do if you are not aware of this need and have no hunger and thirst for the Sacrament?

C: **To such a person no better advice can be given than this: First, he should touch his body to see if he still has flesh and blood. Second, he should look around to see whether he is still in the world, and remember that there will be no lack of sin and trouble. Third, he will certainly have the devil also around him, who with his lying and murdering day and night will let him have no peace, within or without.**

L: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD’S PRAYER: *See back of either hymnal*

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

A: **Our Father who art in heaven...**

PAX DOMINI: *The Peace of the Lord*

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: **Amen.**

HYMN: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

See the words below / LSB 621

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God to earth descending
Comes our homage to demand.
- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heav'nly food.

DISTRIBUTION INSTRUCTIONS:

- ♦ Receiving at your pew: Please inform an usher.
- ♦ Alcohol-Removed Wine: Center of each tray.
- ♦ After the Agnus Dei: Come forward to the railing.
- ♦ Receive. Go in peace. Return via the side aisle.
- ♦ Main dismissal: After everyone has returned.

DURING DISTRIBUTION:

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Wagner

LORD'S SUPPER DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER: *Let Us Pray*

L: Father in heaven, *with sorrow* we came to the Supper, *with faith* we have received Your gift of forgiveness, and *with peace* we have returned to our places; *help us now* – by the instruction of Your Word and the power of Your Spirit – to live unto Your glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN: *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

See the words below / TLH 370 / LSB 575

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;

No merit of my own I claim

But wholly lean on Jesus' name. **Refrain**

**Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

BENEDICTION: *Believe and Be Blessed*

L: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His *countenance* (face) upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.



Door Offering: Today, having heard about this important ministry, you are invited to give a door offering – by using the plate on a table in the narthex. *Everything put in that plate will be given to support the ongoing work of LHF!*

Bible Class Today: Rev. Marshall will tell us about LHF's mission work around the globe, and how God calls people to faith through the Lutheran literature available in their own languages.

Other LHF Support: You may use the special offering envelope attached to the LHF brochure that is in this service folder.

Dangers of Halloween

- Halloween history is evil.
- Halloween tries to make sin and death fun.
- Halloween can open the way to demons.
- Halloween: What Would Jesus Do?
- "...anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God" (Jam. 4:4).

POSTLUDE and CANDLE EXTINGUISHING:

A Mighty Fortress

Summaries – Open Leadership Team Positions

- **Assistant Coordinator:** Assist the coordinator when he is present and serve in his absence.
- **Pastor Team:** The leader and teammates distribute The Lord's Supper and oversee various spiritual aspects of our congregation's ministry.
- **Financial Secretary:** The leader and teammates receive, secure, count, record, and deposit the offering; approve the offering envelopes; and prepare and distribute financial statements.
- **Treasurer:** The position is limited since we now have a paid bookkeeper. The treasurer verifies each bill, assigns it to the proper account, signs the checks he receives from the bookkeeper, and sees that they are distributed.
- **Worship:** The leader and teammates oversee the ushers, candle-filler, and altar guild; and put up and take down items in the worship area related to the church year seasons.
- **Care:** The leader and teammates extend various forms of loving care to members and non-members, including prayers, meals, cards, visitor baskets, and Stephen Ministry.
- **Education:** The leader and teammates oversee things related to education, such as the Sunday School program and the library.
- **Childcare:** The leader and teammates assist the childcare director and serve in various ways to build bridges between our congregation and the staff, parents, and children of our center.
- **Outreach:** The leader and teammates oversee, develop, and act in various ways to reach out to non-members.

Organ Music for All Saints' Day

You are invited to Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 9201 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 7 PM. Organist, James Alfieri. Featuring music in Celebration of All Saints' Day by Ross Anderson, Emma Lou Diemer, Wilbur Held, Gerhard Krapf, C. S. Lang, Dan Locklair, B. Wayne Sanders, and Dale Wood. Please come!

Needs at BLC

Will You Volunteer?

- ➔ **Sunday Morning Refreshments:** Volunteers are needed. Thanks to Heather H. who is being a blessing! Please give her and others a hand! Let's figure out the best way forward! Thanks!
- ➔ **Ushers:** Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact **Matt Kusssmaul (440-668-5475)** or the Church office.

Thanks For Serving on 10/29 & 10/30

Altar Guild: Kathy G, Heather H

Saturday: Organist: Gayle P; Usher: Jim & Shawn W

Sunday: Organist: Gayle P

Pastor Team: Harold W

Ushers: Jerry H, Lilli R, Carl B

Refreshments: Doris C, Miriam E

Sunday School: Heather H, Cedrick H

Financial Team: Natalia F, Ken H

Thanks For Serving on 11/5 & 11/6

Altar Guild: Kathy G

Saturday: Music: Kathy G; Usher: Matt K

Sunday: Organist: Gayle P

Pastor Team: Matthias M

Ushers: Rand S, Nevin S

Refreshments: Doris C, Miriam E

Sunday School: Stacey G, Harold W

Financial Team: Natalia F, Tricia W

Can I Help You? *Pastor*

- Bible Question? Please get it to me in writing.
- Visit? Let's get something scheduled.
- Private Confession? Are you struggling due to a particular sin or need assurance of God's forgiveness? Let's have a conversation that is *private* and *spiritually beneficial*.
- Join? Let me know: Some can transfer or join by profession of faith; others need to take my Bible Basics course. You can still join the current course: Wednesdays at 6:00
- Baptism? Take a Baptism Information Packet (*from the rack by the main entrance*).
- Youth Confirmation? Let me know. *We meet on most Mondays at 6:30!*
- Funeral? It's good to prepare your service in advance – *choosing readings, hymns, etc.* Take a Funeral Preparation booklet (*from the rack by the main entrance*).

Your Service Folder

- ➔ Extra one? Put it in the **green** basket.

Numbers From Last Week

Received God's Gifts – Services:

- Saturday at 4:00 – Inside: **25**; car: **2**
- Sunday at 9:00 – Inside: **52**; car: **1**

Studied God's Word – Classes:

- Saturday at 3:00: **11**
- Sunday at 10:30: **25**
- Thursday at 10: **5**

Supported God's Work: Watch for GIVING numbers next week!

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