

OCTOBER SERMONS & SCRIPTURES

♦ October 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship and Holy Communion

Sermon: Standing Right

First Lesson: Genesis 2: 18-25

Epistle Lesson: Romans 3: 21-31

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10: 2-16

♦ October 13, 2024

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: Father Abraham

First Lesson: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

Epistle Lesson: Romans 4:1-25

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:17-22

♦ October 20, 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: Christian Benefits

First Lesson: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

Epistle Lesson: 5: 1-11

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10: 23-31

♦ October 27, 2024

Reformation Sunday

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: United in Death & Resurrection

First Lesson: Revelation 14: 6-7

Epistle Lesson: Romans 6: 1-14

Gospel Lesson: John 8: 31-36



Council Notes

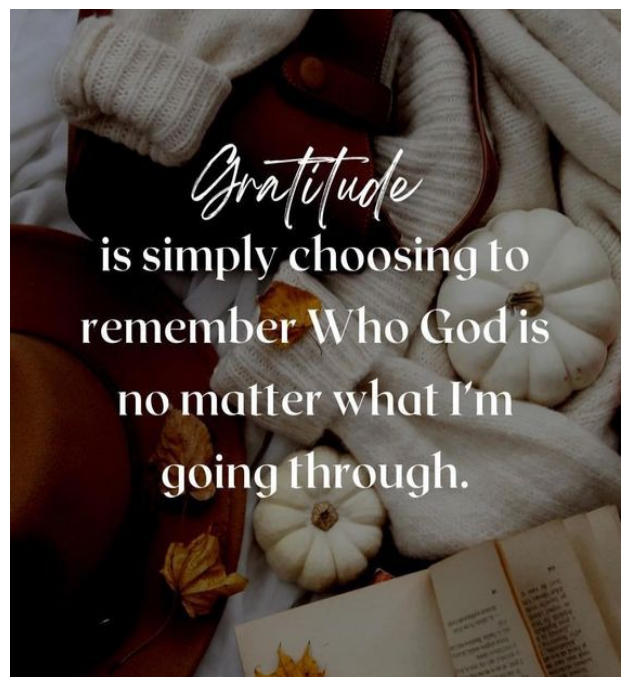
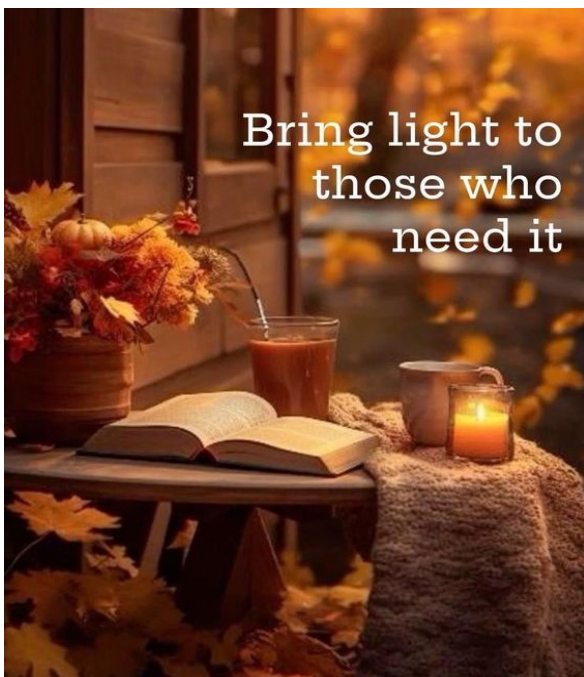
- **Constitution & By-Laws**

It has been twenty-four years since the church constitution and by-laws have been updated. The council has selected a committee of five to review and bring their recommendations to council. Upon approval it will be brought to our annual meeting on February 9, 2025 for congregational approval, according to Article XI, 1.

(Committee: Don Reese, Karen Jorgenson, Greg Flugum, Lydia Gray, and Pr. Bob).

- **Medical Emergency Procedure**

Our recent medical emergency on September 1, became a 911 issue. After discussion and research, the most efficient way to call 911 is to use a landline if at all possible, as that will bring up the address of the caller which will save time explaining who and where. Also, in the event of a future emergency during a service, a deacon should approach the pastor and inform him of the situation and a deacon will call 911 if necessary. We would ask that people remain calm and if you need to exit the sanctuary please use the doors that are the farthest away from the incident. We are thankful to have two nurses and a first responder to oversee any medical emergency. They should be given the needed space to provide assistance until medical personnel arrives if needed.





To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of His calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by His power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

When a missionary friend preached on this recently, one of his questions was, "What are the works of faith and the good works that we have in our hearts resolved to do?" We desire to go back to our ministry in the Philippines, to see the Sama church grow, especially in places where there is no church. We want to see the Bible finished. We want to see faith grow in the communities where we have been planting seeds. It feels like we are one step closer to seeing that happen.

GREEN = PRAISES **YELLOW** = PRAYERS

Chemo is Over!

We are happy to announce that 6 rounds of chemotherapy and targeted treatment every three weeks resulted in **the disappearance of one of the malignant tumors** in Ruth's breast, the **second tumor shrunk** down to only 4mm and the DCIS (for those of you who know what that is) also responded to the treatment to the point that **our surgeon says he believes he can remove the cancer by a lumpectomy** (only cutting out a small portion) and not a mastectomy (cutting off the whole breast). This is an answered prayer! Our last meeting with him, he told us not to expect the DCIS to shrink and we would probably be facing a mastectomy. **We praise God!** We have hope that Ruth seems to have passed through the worst part of cancer treatment.

Ruth's surgery is on October 2nd.

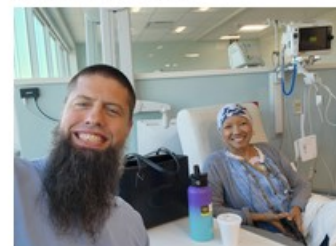
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A visit from our SIM field director. We have had multiple encouraging visitors.



Ruth rings the bell after her final chemo treatment.



The doctor must get a clear cut where the outer edges of his cut need to test negative for cancer or they will have to discuss another surgery. Please pray for more successes in Ruth's treatment.

We're Hitting the Road

Believe it or not, our time in the U.S. is a job. It is our chance to reconnect with prayer supporters and dear friends. Our flexibility in the past has allowed us to crisscross the U.S. with no problems. Cancer treatment doesn't understand that. In fact Ruth is supposed to be back for targeted treatment every 3 weeks and we still have a month of radiation ahead of us.

However, it looks like her recovery from the lumpectomy will be easier than other treatments. On October 16th after a targeted treatment, she may get to set out with all of us on our missionary tour to visit Big Fork, Montana, Spokane, Washington, Seattle, and then Sunnyvale, California. They might even allow her to stay out for a month in between her targeted treatments! We are excited to get to see those of you in these locations and hopefully some of you that are on the paths to get there.

Pray for our travels.

Pray that God may give us words to speak.

Pray for good planning. Ruth may have to take a flight or two depending on when she is ready to travel and when she has to be back for treatment.

Odds and Ends Prayers and Praises

Luke will defend his M.A. Thesis in mid-November.

Pray that he finishes it.

Yahiya is able to continue in his work as a lifeguard.

We have help from Luke's parents and brother's family for homeschool.

This is what typical treatment day looks like. Chemo is over, but Ruth will return every three weeks for targeted treatment until one year from when her treatment started.

Travel Schedule

October 20

Bethany Lutheran, Big Fork

October 27

Redeemer Lutheran, Spokane

November 3

Denny Park Lutheran, Seattle

November 10

St. Luke's, Sunnyvale



Our kids have enjoyed time with their family. We have been present for several birthdays, including Alasa turning 14 and Gideon turning 7. Da'ud will celebrate his birthday before our travel starts again.

Please let us know how we could pray for you:

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651-307-9553

Striving (with you) side by side for the faith of the gospel.

The Schroeders

10 Lies Satan Feeds Us about Worship

*from Joe McKeever <https://www.crosswalk.com/author/joe-mckeever/>

* Worship is an integral part of the Christian life. It allows us to solidify our relationship with God and reminds us to focus our hearts and minds on his word. In the same way a human body requires food and water, so does our spiritual health depend on worship. Without it, our hearts grow cold and our faith withers into nothing.

* Scripture tells us that the devil will do anything to get between us and God. 1 Peter 5:8 even warns us to be, "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."

* Our enemy will wait, and scheme, and hunt for any sign of weakness in our lives. It shouldn't come as any shock that he'll try to sabotage our worship. In the days ahead, be sure to put on the armor of God, and keep these 10 lies from stealing your joy!

* 1. **Worship is All about You**

You'll need a worshipful setting, worshipful music, in a building with worshipful architecture. The leaders of the worship service must do things just right; otherwise, if you do not worship, the fault is all theirs.

* 2. **You Should Be "Getting Something" Out of Worship**

If you leave the church campus unable to identify what you "got out" of the service, someone has failed you mightily.

* 3. **Worship is Irrelevant; it Doesn't Matter**

Millions of Americans are buying into that lie. All you have to do is see how most people skip church altogether on Sundays.

* 4. **Only Exciting, Emotional Worship Matters**

If it's not loud, fast, and intense, it doesn't count.

Listen to people put down the more traditional, more restrained, more formal type of worship and you will know that lie is being bought into. We speak of worship services being dull, dead, sleep-inducing, and cold. One wonders if it ever occurs to us that the Father in Heaven alone judges worship.

* 5. **The Quality of Your Offering Does Not Matter**

Read the Old Testament book of Malachi to see the folly of this. People were bringing diseased animals to the temple as their offerings. The Heavenly Father was/is no fool; He understands an insult when one is given. The amount of your offering and the sincerity of your worship matter. But not in the way we might think. The widow (Mark 12) put in two small coins, but our Lord said hers was the largest offering given that day. The point is obvious: What gives the offering its weight is its value to us.

* 6. **The Architecture Must Be Conducive to Worship**

My friend Mike Canady tells of an American preacher who traveled to the African country where he (Mike) served as a missionary, and addressed the believers there on how to construct buildings and Sunday School space and such. Mike laughs, "The people there knew how to have church: Under the nearest mango tree."

* 7. **Everyone Else Worships Better Than You**

You're the only one who gets bored, has trouble concentrating, and whose mind wanders during prayer.

* 8. **Your Feeble Attempts are an Insult to the Lord**

Better you stayed away than to offend the Lord with such.

* 9. **We Pay the Preachers to Worship for Us**

Our job is to come to church and watch them perform and then critique them. If I give them a passing grade, I have done my job.

* 10. **Worship Is a Passive Activity**

When our worship leaders do their jobs well, we worship. Worship is something that happens to us, not something we do. Whether I feel anything or not is unimportant; what counts is I can check off worship for one more week.

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Uganda's National Flag



Mountain Gorilla:

Uganda is home to more than 50% of the world's mountain gorillas.



Lion:

Lions can be seen in several national parks in Uganda.



Crested Crane:

Uganda's National Bird



Uganda Kob:

Uganda's National Animal

I am in Primary seven / Secondary _____ / Other _____

Dear Alicia Date 5th 08 - 2024

I greet you in Jesus name. I hop you are fine and everyone in your family back to me. I am also fine. I am doing well in my studies and I thank you for paying my school fees may God bless you. At school we are learning well and in this are topics going on in my class. In SST we are learning about the Libya's oil and in Sci we are learning about Resources and in MTC we are learning about Measures and in ENG letter writing is still going on. I want to thank you for giving me gifts which I bought my clothes and shoes. And I want to tell you that I got 11 aggregates in mid term exams. And I have my memory verse and it is got from John 3:16 Jesus wept. Thans From Philip.

Translation

We thank you for all you are doing to improve the quality of life of this child.

How GriefShare has helped others



Over 1 million people have found healing through GriefShare.

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Hope & Healing
after the death of a loved one

Q: Is GriefShare for me?

When a loved one dies, it can feel like you're alone. Few people understand how painful and isolating your grief can be. But that doesn't mean you have to suffer by yourself.

At GriefShare, you'll find a safe, comforting place where you can talk with others about your grief. You'll find support, direction, and guidance on how to make it through.

If you could use help with any of the topics below, GriefShare is for you.

Q: What topics are covered?

- Your Grief Journey
- Sadness & Loneliness
- Fear & Anxiety
- Anger
- Regrets
- Grief & Your Relationships
- Questions for God
- Hope & Resilience

And many more ...

Q: How will GriefShare help me?

At this 13-week grief recovery support group, you'll:

- Hear insights from grief recovery experts
- Meet others who understand what you're going through
- Receive comfort and support
- Learn practical tips for navigating your grief
- Discover the 6 signs of healing

Q: What should I expect at a group?

Each week you can expect to view a 30-minute video filled with helpful guidance, discuss grief-related issues, and gain personal recovery tips through your workbook.

3 key parts:



Video seminar



Group discussion



Personal workbook

Q: How do I join a group?

Church and meeting information

When: Every Other Sunday, 2 p.m.
October 6, 2024–March 16, 2025

Where: Pilot Knob Lutheran Church
2391 330th St
Forest City, IA 50436

Contact: Pr. Bob Snitzer 641-585-2791 or
Sue Reese 641-590-0479
pastorbob@pilotknob.org

Register: griefshare.org/findagroup

Need another day or time?

Visit griefshare.org/findagroup to find a list of groups in your area. Or find a group meeting online.

Find a group today!

Online groups available

Not able to attend in person?
Know someone who lives out of town?
This option is for you!

October Volunteers

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Communion	Steve			
Greeters	Joel	Don/Bobbi	Randy/Deb	Greg/Sherry
Reader	Angie	Nick	Bobbi	Matt
Sound	Greg	Brandon	Steve	Don
Computer	Bobby	Bobby	Rachel	Donna
Acolyte	Kazra	Cooper	Ella	McKenna
Pianist	Sheryl	Val	Marcia	Marcia
Ushers	Matt/Zade.....			
Custodians	Pat Hagen.....			

★ If you find that you have been scheduled for a ministry time that you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and let pastor know. Thank you!

OCTOBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Deacons- 5:45pm Council- 6:30pm	2 Confirmation- 4:30pm	3 Quilting-10am	4	5
6 Communion Sunday Greeters: Joel Reader: Angie Acolyte: Kazra Griefshare- 2pm	7 Bday: Angie Lawrence	8	9 Confirmation- 4:30pm	10	11	12 Bdays: Dave Reese Devon Snitzer Lou Nath
13 Greeters: Don/Bobbi Reader: Nick Acolyte: Cooper Bday: Ella Stensrud	14	15 Women's Bible Study- 2pm	16 Confirmation- 4:30pm	17 Quilting-10am	18 Bday: Luella Holland	19
20 Greeters: Randy/Deb Reader: Bobbi Acolyte: Ella Griefshare- 2pm	21	22 Bday: Bert Pederson	23 Confirmation- 4:30pm	24	25	26
27 Greeters: Greg/Sherry Reader: Matt Acolyte: McKenna	28	29	30 Confirmation- 4:30pm Bday: Tristan Koopman	31		