## Pilot Knob Lutheran Church Communique



Freedom

October 22, 2025

Galatians 5:1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

We all want to be free to make our own decisions, think what we want and speak what is on our minds, just so it doesn't incite violence.

Is this the freedom Paul is talking about? No! He is referring to being free from keeping religious laws, rules, regulations, and methods to gain a right standing with God. We call that religious legalism.

Jesus obeyed the laws of the Old Testament and fulfilled them all perfectly. The Law shows us we cannot keep them due to our sinful nature, and therefore, fall short of being right with God. Jesus became our sacrifice for sin thus setting us free through faith in his death and resurrection.

Our freedom in Christ is not for us to do whatever we want, because that would put us back under the Law of sin, and selfish desires. Freedom in Christ means we now have the freedom to live unselfishly and to choose what is pleasing to God and even know what is morally right.

Freedom in Christ sets us at war with our fallen selfish nature: which one will we allow to express itself, a choice we didn't have living under the Law.

The bottom line is; we are rescued from sin and slavery to the law by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

Are you truly free?



## By the Way:

Today, 4:30-5:00. Confirmation class. Shorter class this week.

October 26, 9:00 Morning worship. Sermon: One Man

10:15 No Sunday school for all ages.

If you have an article or God sighting you would like to share with the congregation please submit it for publication in the **Briefings**. <a href="mailto:pastorbob@pilotknob.org">pastorbob@pilotknob.org</a>

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Our service also airs on: KGLO 1300 AM at 10:00 AM, and KIOW 107.3 FM at 7:00 AM. Spread the word.