

October Sermons & Scriptures

● October 5, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship Service and Holy Communion

Sermon: Christian Responsibility

First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Epistle Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:3-15

Gospel Lesson: Luke 17:1-10

● October 12, 2025

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: Entrust, Endure, Faithful

First Lesson: Ruth 1:1-19a

Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:1-13

Gospel Lesson: Luke 17:11-19

● October 19, 2025

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: The Time has Come

First Lesson: Genesis 32:22-30

Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:16-4:5

Gospel Lesson: Luke 18:1-8

● October 26, 2025

Reformation Sunday

Morning Worship Service

Sermon: One Man

First Lesson: Revelation 14:6-7

Epistle Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 11:12-19



THOUGH IT TARRIES,
WAIT FOR IT;
BECAUSE IT WILL
SURELY COME.

HABAKKUK 2 : 3



Dear praying friends,

Its been nearly two months since we arrived back in the Philippines. It is high time we give you an update.

Our Time in Zamboanga

We have maintained our nomadic lifestyle. We spent almost three weeks of August in Zamboanga City. A major part of this trip was a visit to family. It was a blessed family reunion. Due to the death of a dear Sama pastor friend, it took longer for Ruth's sister to arrive from the islands.



Spending time with Ruth's mother and other family.

God Answers Prayer

We can't help but mention the answered prayer we had since our last prayer letter. We asked for mercy on our travels. Our original ticket had us arriving in Taiwan at a horrible hour where there was no public transportation and we were supposed to get down and see my sister. People prayed and our flight from Chicago was delayed by only a few hours. This was enough to get us free meals in Chicago and Hong Kong and also a free hotel stay in Hong Kong. We arrived in Taiwan at a normal time and took the train to Luke's sister's house, guided by her and our niece.



With my sister's family in Taiwan

This has been our experience this last year and throughout ministry. God has answered many prayers in

We also connected with several ministry partners while there. Probably most important was Ruth connecting again with her translation team. To cut to the chase on a long story, we ended up sleeping on the floor of the translation office at the back of the house of the translation project manager's house. Two other housing options hadn't work out for us. However, it seems that our sleeping arrangements were orchestrated by God. It was a generous offer that we were allowed to impose on this growing family with four small children. This extended time together had been scheduled long ago at the beginning of 2020, but never occurred due to the sudden arrival of the COVID pandemic. Hopefully many good things will happen this term as the translation of the Old Testament continues.



Sharing a meal with our hosts.



amazing ways. Sometimes the prayers are big deals and sometimes they are trivial. Last year He answered so many prayers, just not the "big one"...that Ruth would be miraculously healed of cancer. We had to go through a process. But the other answered prayers along the way were God's "I love you" notes to us. We were never abandoned.



Answered Prayer - Free Meal

Working with Muslims, we pray every night that God would cause His church to form in our area of the Philippines among the Sama. That's the "big one" and so far we have had to go through the process. The I love you notes from God keep coming. Please keep praying with us for progress in Tinoto.



Guests at a death anniversary.

Prayer Requests:

All the moving about has made it hard to establish a routine or platform for ministry in community.

Please pray that God would lead us into the appropriate activities to be regularly available for the community with a witness to the Lordship and salvation of Jesus.

Pray that community computer center would become a platform where community members come and we can share our lives with them and especially the gospel.

Pray for the script preparations for the Acts Video Dubbing.

Pray for the development of a Tausug Scripture App Luke is working on in Arabic/Jawi Script. We hope that teachers and students of the Quran would take interest in it and read the text of the Bible in a language they understand.

Pray that health and home would be peaceful enough for Ruth to start translating again.

Pray for Luke's involvement in an upcoming conference for workers to unreached people groups. Pray for his preparation. Pray also that the kids would be a blessing to other missionary kids and that we would be encouraged along with more than 350 others attending.

Thank you for your continued prayer for our family.

The Schroeders



Teaching the story of Ezekiel with Ruth's brother Noelson.



The print version of the Tausug Bible in an Arabic/Jawi Script.

"And the surviving remnant of the house of Judah shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward."

Isaiah 37:31

Praying that as we start up ministry again, we would be rooted in God's word, connected to community and bearing fruit.



A Note of Thanks

I would like to personally "Thank" everyone that worked so hard to make our 150th anniversary celebration a success. I know there were some people that spent many hours working on it.

It meant so much to me. -Pat Hagen

October Volunteers

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Communion	Sarah			
Greeters	Cary/Connie	Jesse/Rachel	Billy/Angie	Val/Karen
Reader	Nicki	Sarah	Angie	Tony
Sound	Devon	Steve	Greg	Brandon
Computer	Rachel	Bobby	Donna	Rachel
Acolyte	Kinsley	Ella	Kazra	Emmanuel
Pianist	Sheryl	Sheryl	Marcia	Val
Ushers	Matt/Zade.....			
Custodians	Randy/Cory.....			

◆ 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!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Confirmation- 4:30	2	3	4
5 Communion Sunday Greeters: Cary/Connie Reader: Nicki Acolyte: Kinsley Sunday school- 10:15am	6	7	8 Confirmation- 4:30	9	10	11
12 Greeters: Jesse/Rachel Reader: Sarah Acolyte: Ella Sunday school- 10:15 Griefshare- 2pm	13	14 Deacons- 5:45pm Council- 6:30pm	15 Confirmation- 4:30	16	17	18
19 Greeters: Billy/Angie Reader: Angie Acolyte: Kazra Sunday school- 10:15am	20	21 Women's Bible Study 2pm (Ruth 4:1-6)	22 Confirmation- 4:30	23	24	25
26 Greeters: Val/Karen Reader: Tony Acolyte: Emmanuel Griefshare- 2pm	27	28	29	30	31	

Birthdays

7- Angie Lawrence
 11- Marcia Sampson
 12- Lou Nath, Dave Reese, Devon Snitzer
 13- Ella Stensrud
 18- Luella Holland
 19- Eleanor Cink
 22- Bert Pederson
 30- Tristan Koopman