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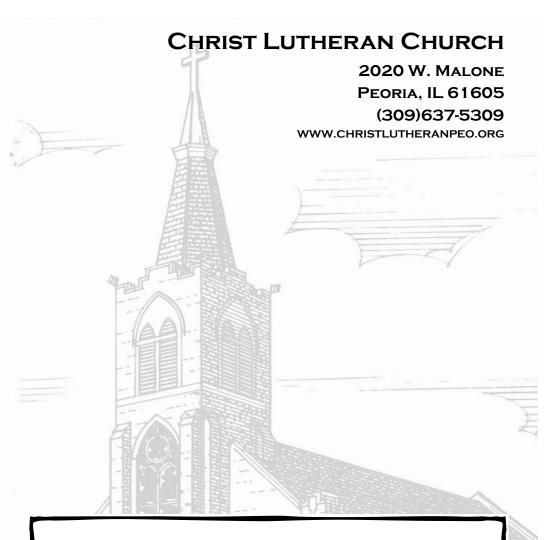
Boldly living Christ's extreme love; Building Faith and Community **HOSPITALIZED**: Dale Eckhoff

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Shawn Foote, Pat Kretzmann (Rebecca Best's mother), Jan Long, George Von Behren, Tina Hill (friend of Linda Von Behren), Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-inlaw), Jeff Lowe, Michael VandeVoorde, Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-inlaw of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), Amelia Martin (granddaughter of Debbie Lawrence), Doug Closen (son of Debbie Lawrence), Neil Johnson (brother of Debbie Lawrence), Susan Gulley, Laurie Burkley, Diane Hollis (friend of Wayne Siebels), Sheila Sturdivant, Julie Campen, Rod Delicath, for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, CLS staff and students, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU that if you have someone you would like to be remembered in The Prayer of the Church during worship on Sundays, send an email to angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). Names on the prayer list will be updated each week and removed after approximately 4 weeks, unless the office is otherwise notified. We will renew prayers when requested.

## THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (OCT. 30th - NOV. 5th)

| MON 10/30: | Bell Choir      | 6:30 PM  |
|------------|-----------------|----------|
|            | Trunk or Treat  |          |
|            | Chapel          |          |
|            | View and Chew   |          |
|            | Adult Choir     |          |
| THU 11/02: | Parish Ministry |          |
| FRI 11/03: | •               |          |
| SUN 11/05: | Holy Communion  | 9:00 AM  |
|            | LWML Bake Sale  |          |
|            | Sunday School   | 10:15 AM |
|            | Bible Classes   |          |

| 2023 BOARD OF ELDERS  |                |  |  |
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OCTOBER 29, 2023
REFORMATION DAY

Scripture of the Day

Revelation 14:6-7, Romans 3:19-28, John 8:31-36 Vol. 78

October 29, 2023 Reformation Sunday No. 49

#### **WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED GUESTS!**

**NOTE TO OUR GUESTS:** Since Holy Communion is a public demonstration of unity in faith, those who commune should express their acceptance of the faith and teaching for which we stand. Our welcome to visitors is heartfelt. Visitors from another Lutheran church or Congregation are asked to please approach our Pastor, if you have not already done so, before attending communion this morning. Also, if you're not a member of an LCMS church but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest to receive the blessing. Individual cups are available, in addition to the common cup, as you approach the Altar. **Non-alcoholic white wine** is available in the center of the tray.

<u>VISION STATEMENT:</u> Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

**ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR:** Bryant Carter

**ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION**: Tommie Washington, Luke Grebe, Bryant Carter

**GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICES TODAY**: Brooke Mooney

**ACOLYTES FOR TODAY**: Kayley Smith, Gracie Smith

**ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Andrew Simmons, Dominic Silotto

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for All Saints Day - The First Lesson: Revelations 7:(2-9) 9-17, The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3, and The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12.

THERE IS NO SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON TODAY. The Sunday School Workers Appreciation Luncheon is today after service. The kids will have a service project to work on upstairs for the Trunk or Treat on October 31st at 5 PM. Next week, we will begin our focus on gratitude and thankfulness in the lessons for the month of November.

IN HONOR OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS, the Parish Education Board is serving food during the Sunday School hour. We thank those who also brought in food in honor of their teacher. Please take this opportunity to thank our Sunday School Teachers. Adults: Pastor Eckhoff, Ralph Teske, Jim, Jeff Grebe, Al Schneider. Music Openings—Chris Schneider, 2&3's Joanne Reith, 4&5's—Norma White, 1st-5th grade—Sarah Anderson and Laura Baize, 6th-High School—Luke and Jana Grebe. We are always looking for substitutes or helpers. Please let Laura Baize or Chris Schneider know if you can help.

**LAST WEEK:** Tithes and Offerings: \$4,386.00; MTD: \$50,894.25. Improvement Fund: \$25.00; MTD: \$400.00. Attendance: 127. Sunday School Attendance: N-K 4, 1st-5th 7, 8th-HS 3, Adults 40, Visitors 2, Total 56.

### THIS IS THE 49th SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

John 8:36 – "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." To-day we celebrate Reformation Day. Luther is rightly remembered as a champion of the Gospel — but he also called himself "the apostle of good works." For only by being set free by the Gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free: His blood covers over our sins, and now we stand before God as His beloved children, invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.

**FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR:** in glory to God and thanksgiving by Nancy Marlott.

<u>VIEW AND CHEW</u> - We will be doing "That the World May Know". <u>Please bring your lunch;</u> we'll also have drinks and other snacks available. Please feel free to invite your friends! If you have any questions, please contact Alan White.

<u>MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!</u> - There are quite a few upcoming events that you may want to put on your calendar now. There will be more information as the dates get closer. The following include:

- October 31st—Trunk or Treat 5-6 PM
- November 11th—13th Annual Dinner and Auction
- November 19th—Congregation meeting
- December 9th—LWML Cookie Walk
- December 24th—Family Christmas Service (9:00 AM)

LWML NEWS...The ladies of LWML will be remembering veterans next month by collecting a variety of hygiene items and other items for Peoria Rescue Ministries. The Downtown Mission and Esther House have partnered with Heartland Health Services, as well as the VA, in providing emergency/crisis care and programs available for veterans to access. Donations of deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, body wash, q-tips, razors, combs, hats and gloves for winter, and men's t-shirts (sizes 2X, 3X, and 4X) will be collected on October 29, November 5, and November 12. Delivery will be made to Peoria Rescue Ministries on Monday, November 13. Donation boxes are available by the rear Annex Door and across from the Community Room. Cash donations will also graciously be accepted by Suzanne Heinz or Bonnie Farrell. ALL donations will be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

**JUST A REMINDER**...the monthly mite donations will be collected next Sunday at the annex entrance. Mites for Missions!

# REFORMATION SUNDAY Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (LSB 656)

# Confession and Absolution The First Lesson

Revelation 14:6-7 p. 1036

The Epistle Lesson

Romans 3:19-28 p. 941

**Adult Choir** 

"Seek the Lord"

The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36 p. 865

Nicene Creed Hymn of the Day

"All Depends On Our Possessing" (LSB 732)

Rev. Karl Eckhoff

"He Still Fights for You!" Psalm 46

Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Words of Institution
Distribution Hymns

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word" (LSB 655)

"By Grace I'm Saved" (LSB 566)
"Salvation Unto Us Has
Come" (LSB 555)

Post Communion
Thanksgiving
Benediction
Adult Choir

"The Lord's Peace"

**Closing Song** 

"God's Word Is Our Great Heritage" (LSB 582)