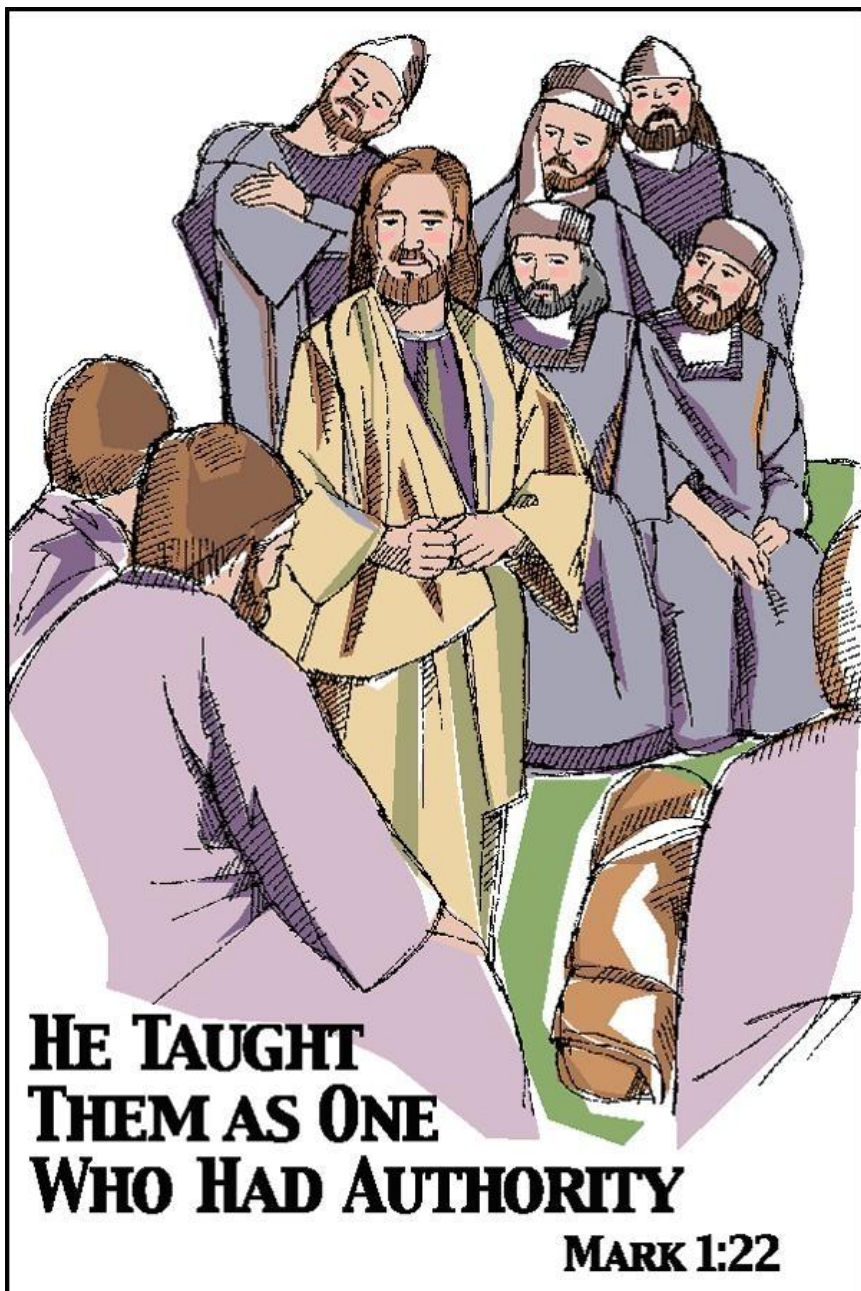




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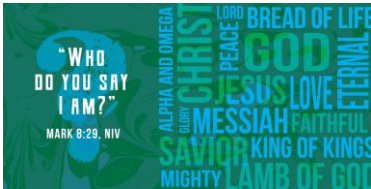
Confirmation. . . .12:45pm

Divine Worship. . . 2pm

Bible Study . . . 3pm

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 119: 129-136;

PRAYERS: Before Communing (Inside Cover, LSB);

HYMNS: LSB 802 LSB 704 LSB 694 LSB 924

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: LSB 802 *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

DIVINE SERVICE

(Setting 3, LSB Pg 184)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: O almighty God, merciful Father

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called 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.

C: ♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

C: ♪ Glory be to God on high and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

OT LESSON:

GENESIS 8:15-22

¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶“Go out from the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—that they may swarm on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” ¹⁸So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him. ¹⁹Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by families from the ark.

²⁰ Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹ And when the Lord smelled the pleasing aroma, the Lord said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. ²² While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease." *

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON:

2 CORINTHIANS 9:10-15

¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹² For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift! *

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P: The Gospel Reading is taken from the Gospel according to the Evangelist Luke, from the 17th Chapter we read beginning at the eleventh verse...

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

GOSPEL LESSON:

LUKE 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?" ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." *

P: So far, the Gospel Reading.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN: LSB 704 - *"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"*

THE SERMON:

MARK 3:1-5

Jesus entered the synagogue again, and a man was there with a withered hand. ²They were watching Jesus closely to see if he would heal the man on the Sabbath day, so that they could accuse him. ³He said to the man with the withered hand, "Step forward!" ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath day to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵Then he looked around at them with anger, deeply grieved at the hardness of their hearts. He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." The man stretched it out, and his hand was restored. **

THE EMOTIONS OF JESUS - ANGER

Why was Jesus angry with the Religious Leaders?

Why might Jesus be disappointed with us?

THE OFFERTORY

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. Should you wish to leave a gift, there are offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary. As our gifts are brought forward to His Altar, we sing His Praise.

PRAYER(S)

HYMN: LSB 694 - *"Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower"*

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: ♪ It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It fitting, proper and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Everlasting God. Who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty coequal; Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS

C: ♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Saba-oth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil;

C: ♪ For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: ♪ Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C: ♪ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT:



In the early church, Communion was thought of so highly that no one except confirmed members of the church were allowed even to watch it. This practice was more strict than necessary, of course. But the early church did understand something that many today do not: that Communion was never intended for indiscriminate use by everyone, but was restricted to those who are properly prepared. If you have never communed with us before, and desire the benefits of the Lord's Supper, please set up an appointment with the pastor to discuss how you can prepare properly.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

C: ♪ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: ♪ and His mercy endureth forever.

P: Let us pray.

C: 🎵 Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: 🎵 and with thy spirit.

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: 🎵 Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor)

C: 🎵 Amen, amen, amen.

CLOSING HYMN:LSB924 - "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us and hope that you will return again. If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with the pastor on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 12, 2025

THIS AFTERNOON AFTER WORSHIP:

✓ Bible Study (Harmony of the Gospels); Sunday School.

THIS WEEK

Sunday: Confirmation 1pm; Worship 2pm, Bible Study/Sun School 3pm.

HOLY COMMUNION

Living Hope's Council determined that Holy Communion would be offered on the 1st and 2nd Sunday of each month during the vacancy. If any member should desire private communion, they need only speak with Pastor Schaller who would be happy to provide it.

SOUTHEAST WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Southeast Women's Retreat will be February 13-15, 2026 at Camp Dogwood on Lake Norman in Sherrills Ford in North Carolina. Theme is Ephesians 4:3 - Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

MIDWEST WOMEN'S RETREAT

Immanuel Mankato invites women of area congregations to a one-day retreat on Saturday, October 25th from 9am-4pm. The theme for the retreat is "Finding our True Identity as a



Reflection of Christ's Image." Presentations will include our Identity in Christ, our Identity Reflected to the world, and Confidence in our Identity. Childcare will be available. To register go to <https://tinyurl.com/3jp5ax8y>. The cost is \$20 if you register before September 24 and is free for young girls under 19. Contact Jen Theneman (507-340-1640 / jtheneman@live.com) with any questions.

MISSION BREAKFAST

The Luther Memorial Mission Committee has planned a Mission Breakfast for Saturday November 8th at 9am at Luther Memorial in Fond du Lac. Bring a breakfast item and stay for a Mission Presentation!

USED SMARTPHONES FOR AFRICA

Missionary Bruce Naumann is requesting donations of a certain kind of Android smartphone, for use by pastors and pastoral students in East Africa. If you have a used phone that was once on a Verizon plan and would like to donate it, please bring it to the church office. Verizon is preferred because it will work with African cell carriers, but most others will not. These phones are much appreciated by students and pastors in our sister African churches - thank you!

Note: *The phones don't need a sim card, since the user there has to purchase one. It's best if the phone is also factory-reset (wiped of user information). Please don't buy a new phone to donate, the folks overseas might be tempted to simply re-sell it.*

ABERDEEN CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATION

Zion Lutheran Church (formerly of Ipswich, SD) welcomes you to a dedication of their new church building: 1223 4th Ave SW, Aberdeen, SD. Join us 5 pm Sun. Oct. 26 for a Reformation-themed dedication service followed by a German-themed dinner. You are welcome to bring any side dish to share. Reach out to Pastor Daub at pastor_daub@hotmail.com or (406) 240-0980 with any questions.

As a merger with Prince of Peace (Hecla) and Redeemer (Bowdle) members residing in the Aberdeen area, Zion has called Pastor Daub to serve the congregation and is currently in the process of relocating their legal incorporation status from Ipswich to Aberdeen.

GREAT LAKES PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Two weeks ago, Calvary Lutheran in Marquette, Michigan hosted the 2025 Great Lakes Pastoral Conference. The conference began at 10am (ET) on Tuesday September 30th and concluded at Noon (ET) on Thursday October 2nd. The following papers were presented and received at the conference: New Testament Exegesis of Romans 8:12ff by Pastor Luke Bernthal; American Lutheranism by Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld; A Review of a portion of Rick Curia's Paper on Objective Justification by Pastor Neal Radichel; Old Testament Exegesis of Psalm 84 by Professor Paul Naumann; A Study of Titus 3:10 by Pastor Chad Seybt; The Athanasian Creed by Pastor Andrew Schaller. Pastor Terrell Kesterson served as Chaplain and Pastor Michael Wilke was the conference speaker. Pastor Paul Agenten served as liturgist. The 2026 GLPC was set for September 29-October 1st in Fairchild, Wisconsin. Speak with Pastor Schaller if you would like to read one of the papers. The Conference offering was given to the CLC General Fund.

THE EMOTIONS OF JESUS

Jesus was fully human and also fully God. He did things that only God could do to prove that He was God. He also exhibited his human nature from time to time. The Gospel writers (especially Mark) occasionally give us a glimpse into the emotions of the God-Man. This fall we will look at some of those glimpses.

<u>Emotion</u>	<u>Bible Passages</u>
Anger	Mark 3:1-5
Sorrow/Grief	John 11:33,35,38; Hebrews 5:7-9
Compassion	Mark 4:41, 6:34, 8:2, 10:16
Distress/Groan	Mark 7:34; 8:12, 14:33-34

CLC WORLD MISSIONS PRAYER LIST – CONCLUDED

Congo-ECLSAFA (Central Africa) – Pastor Jacques Pondi Lumiangu in Kinshasa has scheduled a number of outreach seminars in the coming months. The congregation is also facing challenges with renting their church building and is unable to fully support Pastor Pondi Lumiangu, so he is facing financial challenges as well. Pray for outreach work of the ECLSAFA Congo and that God would abundantly provide for their needs.

Please continue to pray for all of our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world, who, by God's grace, are dedicated to proclaiming the truths of God's saving Word for the salvation of souls as they trust the promise of our Savior that His Word will not return to Him void but will accomplish that for which He sends it.

Missionary Peter Evensen (Togo, West Africa) – Missionary Evensen continues to work with the 3 students at the Mt. Horeb seminary as they are on schedule to graduate and be ordained the beginning of December. He will then begin to edit and improve the French translations of the curriculum for the next batch of student. Pray for the Lord's continued blessing on Missionary Evensen's work to prepare faithful preachers and teachers of God's saving word.

Missionary Bruce Naumann (Tanzania-East Africa) – Thank the Lord for good health and safe travel as they have recently returned from visits to Zanzibar and other TCLC districts. Pray for their patience, strength, and zeal for the Lord's work among our fellow believers in East Africa. You can follow Missionary Naumann's blog at <https://clc-tz.blogspot.com/>.

Missionary Todd Ohlmann – Missionary Ohlmann has been granted a 5-year visa to visit India again, after it was revoked five years ago. Over the next few months, he is scheduled to visit Nepal, India, Liberia, and Togo. Pray for God's blessing and provision on the necessary arrangements for these trips, and for his wife, Beth, as she continues to care for her elderly father, who is on hospice and is longing for his heavenly home. You can read reports and see pictures here: missionaryohlmann.blogspot.com.



THE MAN WITH THE WITHERED HAND

(PARALLEL ACCOUNTS)

Matthew 12:9–14 (ESV)

He went on from there and entered their synagogue. ¹⁰ And a man was there with a withered hand. And they asked him, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?”—so that they might accuse him. ¹¹ He said to them, “Which one of you who has a sheep, if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not take hold of it and lift it out? ¹² Of how much more value is a man than a sheep! So it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.” ¹³ Then he said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” And the man stretched it out, and it was restored, healthy like the other. ¹⁴ But the Pharisees went out and conspired against him, how to destroy him.

Luke 6:6–10 (ESV)

⁶ On another Sabbath, he entered the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was withered. ⁷ And the scribes and the Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the Sabbath, so that they might find a reason to accuse him. ⁸ But he knew their thoughts, and he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come and stand here.” And he rose and stood there. ⁹ And Jesus said to them, “I ask you, is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to destroy it?” ¹⁰ And after looking around at them all he said to him, “Stretch out your hand.” And he did so, and his hand was restored.

Mark 3:1–6 (ESV)

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. ² And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³ And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” ⁴ And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵ And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶ The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer has returned the call of Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. • Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI, has called Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity in West Columbia, SC to serve as their pastor. • Peace Through Christ in Middleton (Madison) WI, has called Pastor Stephan Sonnenfeld, who currently serves Redeemer Lutheran in Dowagiac (Sister Lakes), MI.

General Missions 2025

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

Amount Pledged 2025	Received as of 8/31/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (44)
\$5,500.00	\$3,709.00	\$1,791.00	\$41.00

Living Hope General Budget 2025

*The Voters of Living Hope set the General Budget.
This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.*

General Budget	Received as of 8/31/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate Amount (16 Sundays)
\$95,419.00	\$55,895.25	\$39,523.75	\$2,470.00

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HOME DEVOTIONS FOR OCTOBER 13-18, 2025

Monday – Matthew 13:44-46 Jesus encourages disciples who have given up much to follow Him. They have a treasure that is far greater than anything they have given up. The kingdom of heaven is theirs in Him!

Tuesday – Acts 17:15-18 Paul leaves persecution behind when he is brought to Athens, home of some famous philosophers. But neither persecution nor the worldly wise can stop him from preaching about Jesus!

Wednesday – Acts 17:19-31 When brought before the leading philosophers, Paul tells of the God who made the world, gives all people life, and who will judge the world by the One who was raised from the dead!

Thursday – Acts 17:32-34 The resurrection from the dead proved to be a dividing point among the Athenians gathered, but some became followers of Paul and believed the message of the kingdom of Christ.

Friday - 2 Chronicles 13:3-18 The army of the rebels under Jeroboam is twice as large as the army led by Abijah. But God plus one of His own is a majority and the rebels' superior numbers and strategy are defeated!

Saturday – Leviticus 19:9-18 The gift of God's kingdom brings forgiveness from the selfish acts that humans do to one another. The fruit of the Spirit is love, which reveals itself in helping rather than exploiting our neighbor.



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