Word of God Lutheran Church Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:
With God's help we are called to be a
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in
the Bible and focused on service in the community
and mission outreach.

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost October 20, 2024

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Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • Pentecost

Please refer to the blue With One Voice hymnal for service.

^{*} Please stand as able

[†] All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20

¹⁰ He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. 11 When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? 12 Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. 13 There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, 14 and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. 15 As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. 16 This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷ Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger. 18 Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. 19 Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. 20 For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

<u>Psalm 119:9–16</u>

⁹ How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!

11 I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

¹² Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes!

13 With my lips I declare all the just decrees of your mouth.

¹⁴ In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

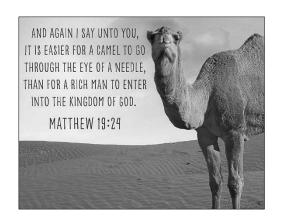
¹⁵ I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

16 I will delight in your statutes;I will not forget your word.

Hebrews 4:1-16

1 Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ² For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³ For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. 4 For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." ⁵ And again in this passage he said, "They shall not enter my rest." ⁶ Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷ again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts." 8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. 9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, 10 for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. 11 Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. 12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 And no creature is

hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. ¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



Mark 10:23-31

²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." ²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, communion will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- A **Book of Remembrance** will be placed in the narthex today and next <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 27</u>, for the All Saints' Sunday service on <u>November 3</u>. Please take a moment to add the names of loved one(s) you would like to have remembered.
- **Discovery Class Brunch** is scheduled for <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 3</u>, following service. Please contact Vince Compagno at <u>vince@vmcise.com</u> for more information.
- Reminder, **Reformation Sunday** is October 27. Please wear <u>red</u> for our annual photo which will be taken following the service.
- WoG's annual **Stew-Off** is <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 27</u> following service. Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun! For more information, please contact Karyn Cummins at <u>karyncummins@hotmail.com</u>.
- **Operation Christmas Child** is up and running. Shoeboxes will be collected through <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 17</u>. Please grab a shoebox, label, and drawstring bag. If you prefer not to pack a box or have extra items you would like to donate, containers are available in the narthex for our *Fish STIX ministry* to pack on <u>November 8</u>.
- Reminder, all shoebox donations for the **Fish STIX ministry** need to be received no later than <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 3</u>.
- Our next RLC Warehouse service opportunity is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 13</u>, at 9:00 AM, and the RLC Mobile Food Pantry will be <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 21</u>, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at <u>suegburnett@att.net</u> for more information.
- The next Midwest Food Bank distribution will be <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 12</u> (8 AM 12 PM & 6 PM 8 PM); <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 13</u> (8 AM 1:30 PM); and <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 14</u> (8 AM 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at <u>ltcbowler@gmail.com</u> or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the weekly announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous <u>Monday</u> at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to woglutheran@gmail.com.

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