Our Savior's Lutheran Church & School

San Clemente, California

"Inspired to Love, Encouraged to Think, and Sent to Serve"

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 4, 2026

9:30am Worship

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4. 2026
9:30am

Introduction
In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

Prelude ***"The Lord's My Shepherd"*** Hannah Lee

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.
Amen.

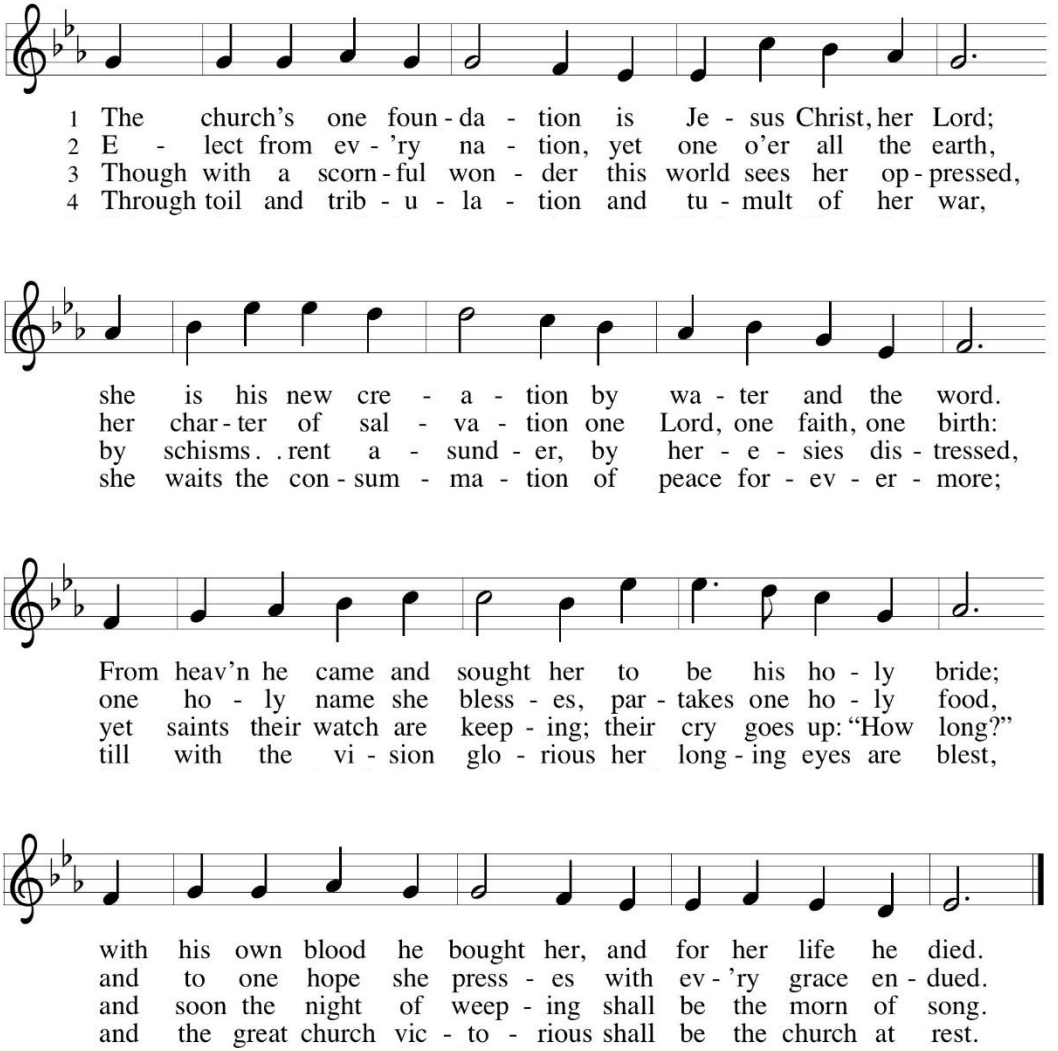
Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

Opening Hymn

The Church's One Foundation



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Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Children's Message

First Reading **Isaiah 5:1-7**

The prophet sings a sad, parable-like love song about the relationship between God and Israel. In this song Israel is compared to a promising vineyard. Despite God's loving care, the vineyard that is Israel has brought forth "rotten grapes" of injustice and distress, when fine grapes of justice and righteousness were expected.

[1] I will sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had
a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
[2] He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a
watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield
grapes, but it yielded rotten grapes.
[3] And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me
and my vineyard.
[4] What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield rotten grapes?
[5] And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.
[6] I will make it a wasteland; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown
with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
[7] For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of
Judah are his cherished garden; he expected justice but saw bloodshed;
Righteousness but heard a cry!

Psalm 80:7-15

7 Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

8 **You have brought a vine out of Egypt;**
you cast out the nations and planted it.

9 You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.

10 **The mountains were covered by its shadow**
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

11 You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.

12 **Why have you broken down its wall,**
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

14 **Turn now, O God of hosts,**
look down from heaven;

15 behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Reading **Philippians 6:4b-14**

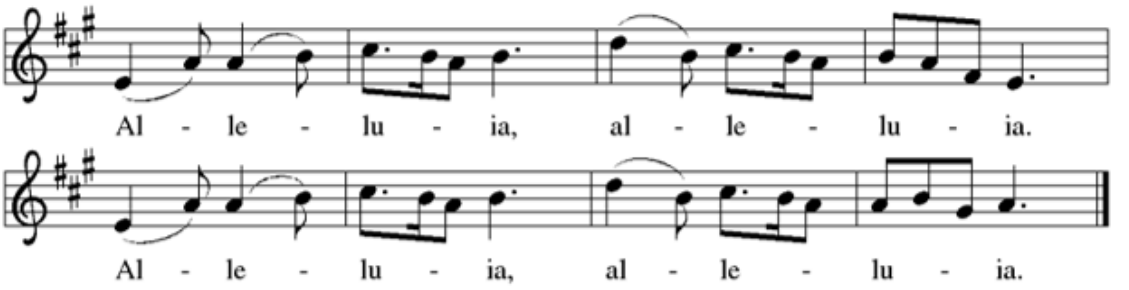
Paul reviews some of his supposed credentials, which no longer have any bearing in comparison to the right relationship he has been given through the death of Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection motivates him to press on toward the ultimate goal, eternal life with Christ.

[Paul writes:] 4b If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:
5 circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

7 Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

[8] More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ [9] and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. [10] I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, [11] if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

[12] Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. [13] Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, [14] I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel **Matthew 21:33-46**

Jesus tells a parable to the religious leaders who are plotting his death, revealing that their plans will, ironically, bring about the fulfillment of scripture.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 21:33-46
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] [33] "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. [34] When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. [35] But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. [36] Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. [37] Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' [38] But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill

him and get his inheritance.’ [39] So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard,
and killed him. [40] Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to
those tenants?” [41] They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death
and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest
time.”
[42] Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:
‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?
[43] “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given
to a people that produces its fruits. [44] The one who falls on this stone will be broken
to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”
[45] When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that
he was speaking about them. [46] They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the
crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Message Pastor Linda Olson

Hymn of the Day ***“You Are the Vine”*** (Page 11)

Apostles Creed
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Passing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always
And also with you

Offering *(Please consider making an offering to World Hunger)*

Offertory ***"As the Deer"*** Hannah Lee

Offering Prayer

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.
Amen.

Prayers of the People *(each petition shall end…)*

Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

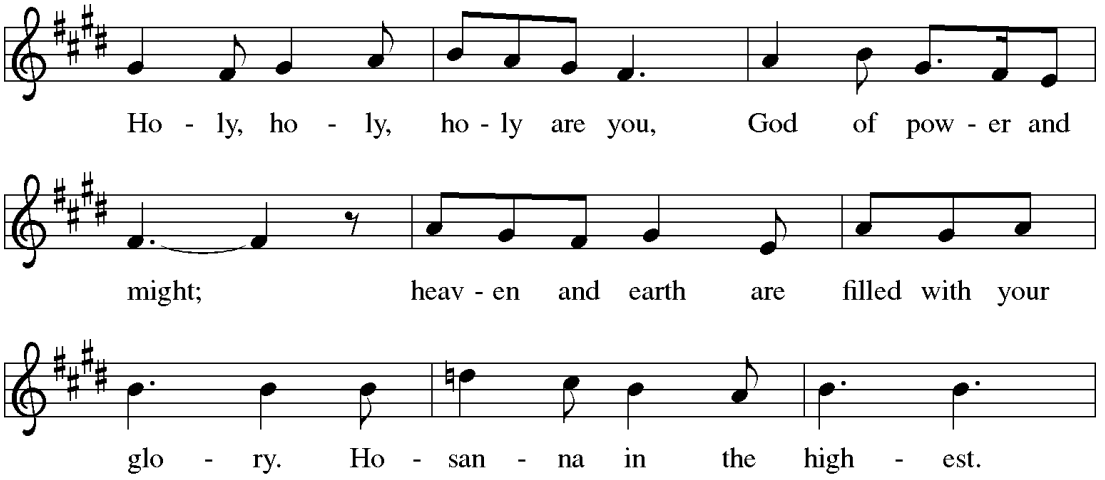
Holy Communion

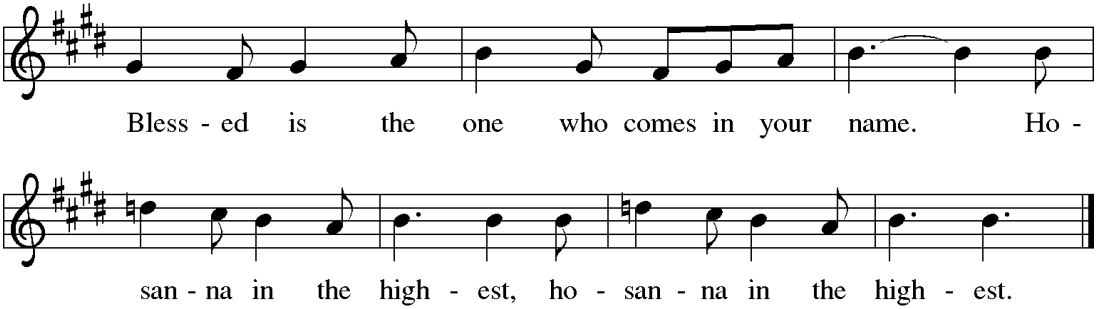
The Lord be with you
And also with you

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right… …we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

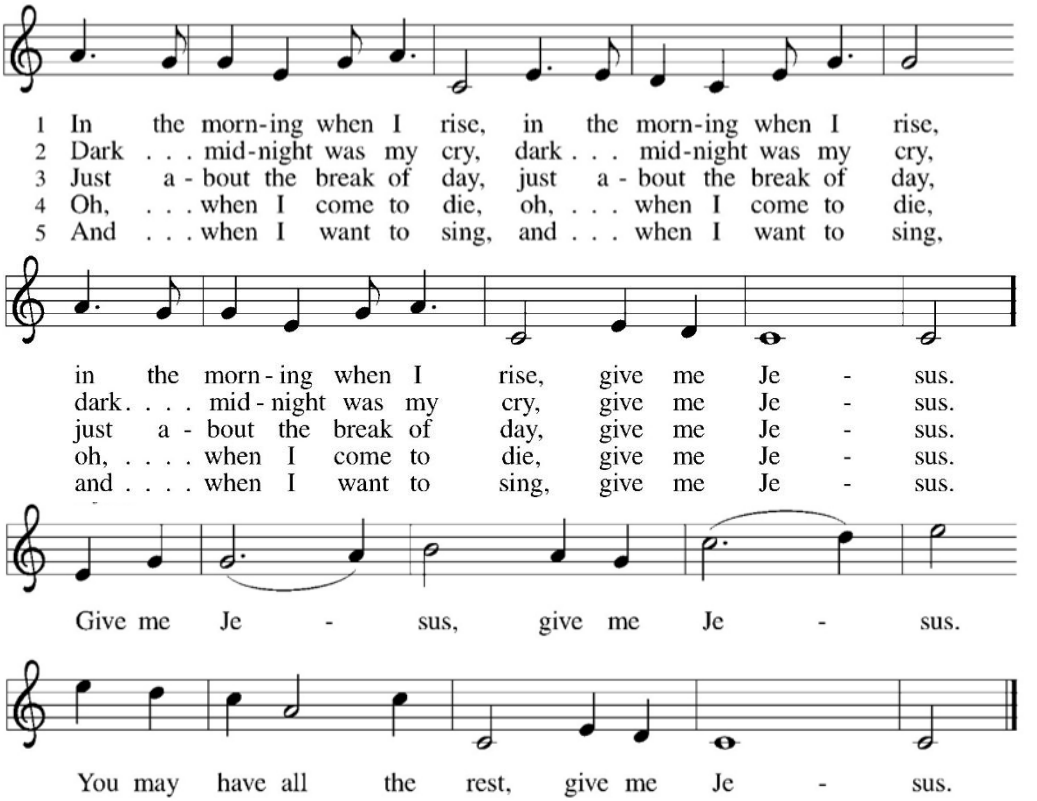




Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Distribution ***"Give Me Jesus"***

Prayer after Communion

Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus.
Amen.

The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.
Amen.

The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Hymn ***"I Come with Joy"*** (Page 12)

Dismissal

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude Band

Hymn of the Day

"You Arer the Vine"

You are the vine and we are the branches,
Keep us abiding in You.
You are the vine and we are the branches,
Keep us abiding in You.

(Chorus)
And we'll go and we'll go
In Your love in Your love
And we'll go and we'll go
In Your name in Your name
That the world that the world
will surely know will surely know
That you have power to heal and to save.

You are the vine and we are the branches,
Keep us abiding in You.
You are the vine and we are the branches,
Keep us abiding in You.

(Chorus)
And we'll go and we'll go
In Your love in Your love
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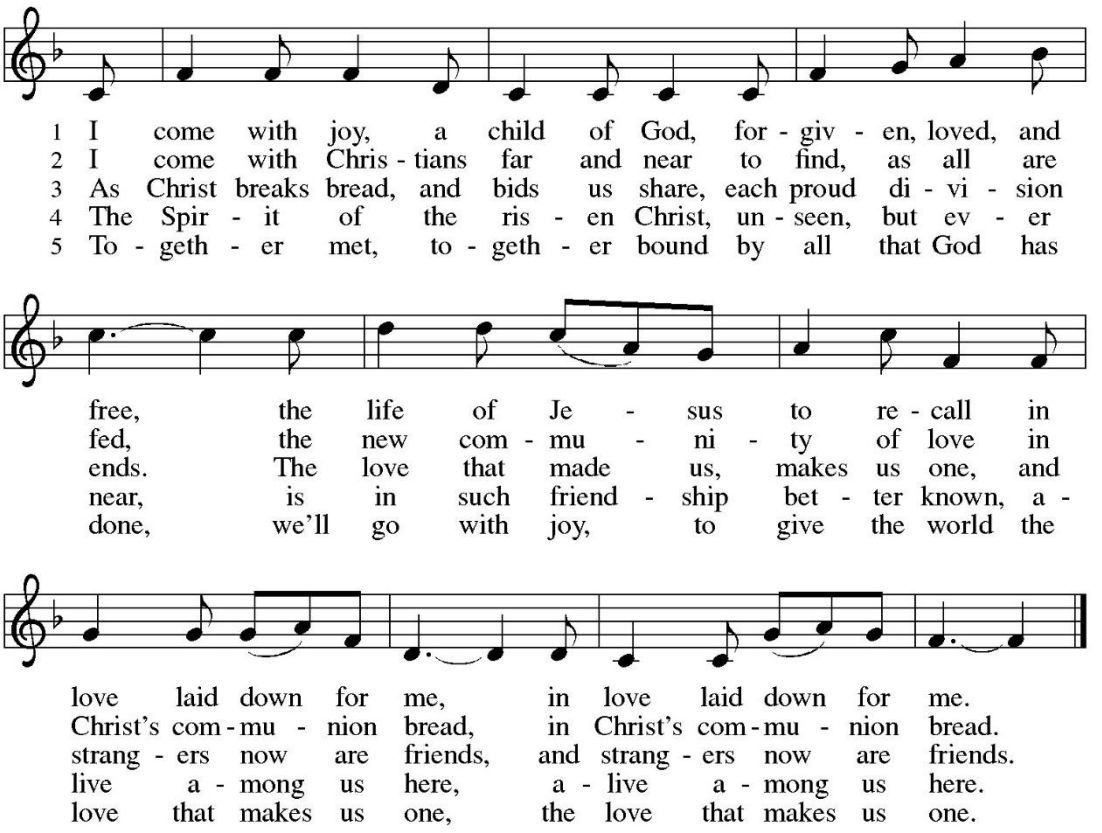
(Ending)
You are the vine and we are the branches,
Keep us abiding in You.

Sending Hymn

I Come with Joy



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Weekly Messenger ✦ Sunday, October 4, 2026

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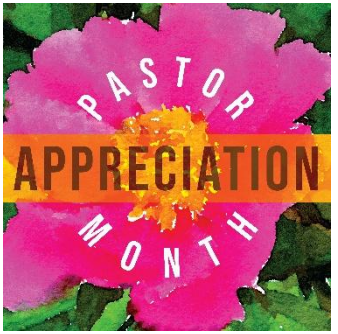
Prayers for Judi Klaske, diagnosed with breast & pancreatic cancer. Please pray for strength during this time and good results for all treatments going forward.

TODAY'S FLOWERS *are given to the honor and glory of God from Pat Downey.*



October is

Pastor Appreciation Month

We, as a congregation, thank you Pastor Linda for the wonderful spiritual guidance, leadership, love and support that you share with each and every one of us.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

Be sure to show your personal appreciation!

Sunday, October 4

"World Hunger Sunday"

9:30am - Worship

10:30am - Church Potluck

Wednesday, October 7

12:00pm - Women's Bible Study

6:30pm - Middle School Youth Group

Sunday, October 11

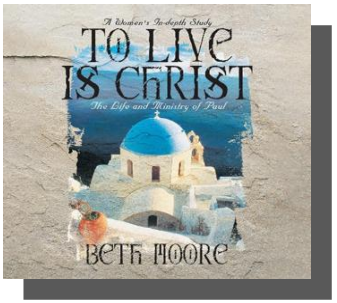
9:30am - Worship,
Blessing of the Quilts

10:30am - Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship on the patio following worship

OUR SAVIOR'S CHURCH POTLUCK
SUNDAY- OCTOBER 4, 2026
FOLLOWING 9:30AM WORSHIP

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS
AND FAMILY.



Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Women's Bible Study 2026-2027

To Live Is Christ-
The Life and Ministry of Paul
***by* Beth Moore**

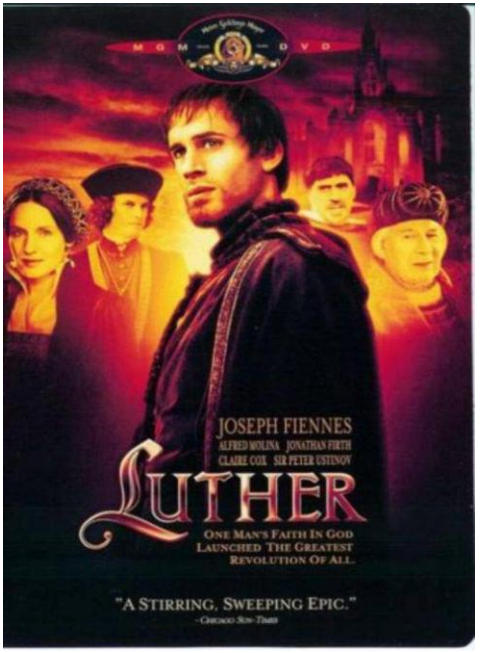
Wednesday, October 7 & 21
12:00pm - 2:00pm
Meet in the Founder's Room

"Blessing of the Quilts"
Sunday-
October 11th
during 9:30am worship

Ingathering at
Red Hill Lutheran Church
Tuesday- October 20th

We had a visitor in the church and school office recently. What type of lizard do you think this is?

Answer is in the October Newsletter



OCTOBER MOVIE NIGHT

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2026
Time: 5:30pm
What???

We will be enjoying potluck dinner
(please bring your favorite dish) and watch the movie
"Luther" in the Founder's Room.
Invite your friends, neighbors, relatives and???

Reviews:

"Fiennes has imagined and created from within. His Luther is not the thunderer we might expect, but he is, wondrously, the incarnation of a man passionate for God and angry with mundane intercessions."

"Luther" is a big screen historical epic, ennobling and uplifting. It was shot on over 100 sets, in 20 locations throughout Germany, Italy and the Czech Republic. We highly recommend it. It ultimately speaks to people's faith, with a good presentation of the Gospel and deserves to be supported by Christians when there are so few uplifting and faith-based theatrical films. This is a story worth knowing. Martin Luther's bold actions were used by God to produce an era of personal and religious freedoms unprecedented in history.

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Please take a moment & sign-up to volunteer on Sundays.

You might like to...

Usher - Read - Serve Communion - Serve Refreshments

The Volunteer Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you may sign-up through SignUpGenius

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November Volunteers- click HERE to sign-up
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Sunday, October 4, 2026- Worship Volunteers

Usher- Lola Davies
Reader- John Skipper
Communion- Paul Beck
Altar Guild- Lola Davies
Live Stream- M'Liz Kelly

Thank you to all our wonderful and dedicated volunteers.