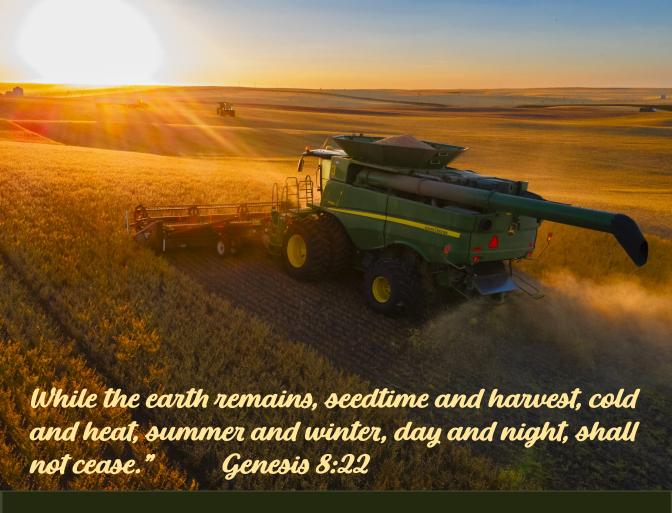


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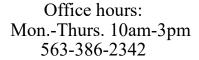


Worship Times: In-Person ~ Sunday 9:00am Adult & Youth Bible Study - Sunday 10:30am Sunday Devotionals via Facebook - Every Sunday Communion is celebrated every Sunday @ 9:00am

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Pastor Licht is off On Mondays





The Gospel for October



October 5, Luke 17:1-10 Temptations to Sin

17 And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! 2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. 2 Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

October 12, Luke 17:11-19 Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers

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."

October 19, Luke 18:1-8 The Parable of the Persistent Widow

18 And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ For a while he re-

October 26, Matthew 11:12-19

Messengers From John the Baptist Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12 From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, d and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴ and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. 15 He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

¹⁶ "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,

> 17 "'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds." ^[f]

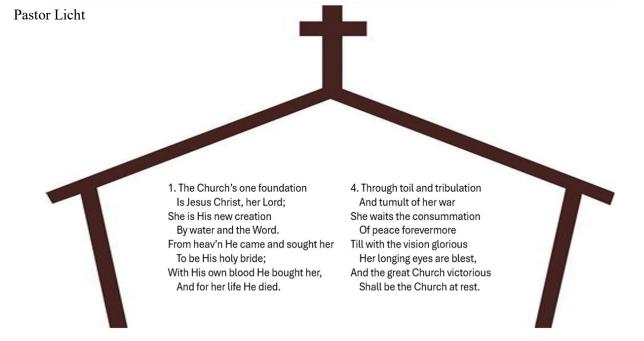
fused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" ⁶ And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

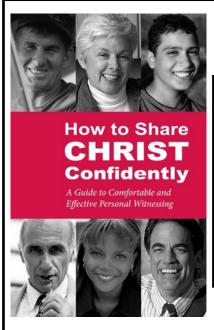
Perhaps recent events have you feeling like we're living in a tinder box that could burst into a raging fire at any minute. Or maybe the news headlines have you thinking the spark has already been struck, the dry kindling is already burning and all we can hope for is that the flames might be contained before they burst into an unstoppable conflagration. Whether you're feeling that way or not, it's always good to remember God's promises for His Church. The world may be ablaze, but the Church will stand. Jesus has promised to be with His Church to the end of the age and that not even the forces of hell itself will overcome her (Mt 16:18; 28:20).

In just a few short weeks we'll be celebrating the Reformation. We'll remember how the tinder box was ignited when a German monk, Martin Luther, called on the Church to return to the truths of Holy Scripture. Luther had hoped for thoughtful, reasoned debate. Instead, he ended up declared an outlaw, and armed conflicts would erupt when those who opposed a church grounded in God's Word alone sought to stop those who were teaching the central message of that Holy Word: salvation by God's grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ Jesus, alone.

Jesus is the Church's foundation that guarantees she will stand no matter the fires that might rage around her. Be it the coals of civil unrest combusting into civil war, or the flare of international conflict bursting into the inferno of a world war, the Church has not, nor will it ever be defeated. In fact, the Church is the only place of safety, the only refuge to which we must flee, if we hope to be protected when the sparks are flying and the fires are raging. And in reality, the fires have not stopped burning since the devil struck his flint against the rock of God's Word with the question, "Did God actually say...?" (Gen 3:1).

In the middle of a world set on fire by sin, God has placed His Church, and in that place of refuge He has put you. Consider the following two stanzas of the great hymn, "The Church's One Foundation" (LSB 644). As you meditate on these words, picture yourself arm-in-arm with Jesus, standing in His Holy Sanctuary, where not even the flames of hell itself can touch a single hair on your head.





HOW TO SHARE CHRIST CONFIDENTLY Sundays @ 10:30am

Why should you consider joining us for this study?

- **1. Serious Christians** take seriously the sharing of their faith.
- **2. However,** we often find the experience frustrating and uncomfortable.
- **3. Thankfully,** God enables us to understand what inhibits our witness, and even more important, **He also enables us to improve.**



LifeLight



Wednesdays @ 9am & 7pm



Sunday School

Every Sunday At 10:30am



New Member Class

If you or someone you know is **interested** in joining our church, please contact Pastor Licht or call the church office, 563-386-2342.



If you have any questions, Contact Jessica Welch



AND I HEARD THE VOICE OF THE LORD SAYING, "WHOM SHALL I SEND, AND WHO WILL 80 FOR US?"
THEN I SAID, "HERE I AM! SEND ME."

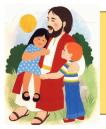
ISAIAH 6:8

tithe of the land. whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees. it is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord." Leviticus

27:30

"Every





LITTLE BLESSINGS DAYCARE

"Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program."

Submitted by Angela Stickel, Interim Director

Little Blessings — "Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program."

This month the Teachers and Children of the Daycare want to show our appreciation to Pastor Licht. The children love going to "Jesus Time". They have been learning so much about Jesus and the Bible.

I also wanted to share that one of the children had a birthday. The cake that he brought to daycare to share with his friends was a "Jesus" cake. He was so excited. His mom said that out of all the cakes he could pick, he wanted to have a "Jesus" cake. It's the little things that make your heart smile.

Thank You. Pastor

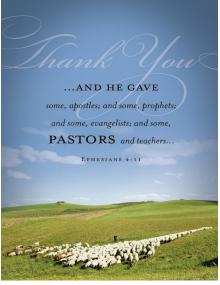
We asked the Pre-K kids what they liked the most about "Jesus Time" with Pastor... Here are some of the answers we got. Enjoy!

"The Lord's Prayer" -Willow
"Hearing stories about Jesus" -Cora
"Giving Pastor a hug after Jesus Time"- Theodore
"The Hey Man song"- Jolee

So, Pastor if you think our rowdy bunch are not listening. They hear you and are enjoying the time they spend with you in the God's House.

Thanks for all you do. In Christ -Angie

Larger versions of these photos can be viewed in the restroom hallway.



THE ARISING NEWS



Calling all 3 year old's 5th graders!!! Join us upstairs on Sunday mornings to dig into God's
Word with fun Bible Stories and crafts. Invite a
friend to join us!

If you have a heart for showing children the love of Jesus and would like to serve in Children's Ministry, there's a place for you! Please contact Leslie McCoy—leslie@rclcqc.org (309)230-4860

Dates to Remember: October is....

Pastor Appreciation Month!

Oct. 5 - 3rd Grade Bible Presentation
Oct. 24—Fall Family Fest
Oct. 26—Voter's Meeting
Nov. 2—DST Ends—Set your clocks
back! Children sing at 9am worship.

Join us on October 24th for our Annual RCLC Fall Family Fest!
Wear your costumes for trunkor treating, jump in the bounce houses, play games and try out the chili at the chili cook-off. A great time for the whole family!
Starts @ 5pm. Sign up in the fellowship hall to host a trunk or donate supplies.



October 5—Naomi McCloud October 12—Jordann Lehman October 19—Heidi Iltis October 26—Leslie McCoy—Voter's Meeting

If you have a **heart** for showing **children** about the love of **Jesus** and would like to serve in Children's Ministry, contact Leslie McCoy.



Middle School & High School Youth

"...with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to LIVE IS CHRIST, and to die is gain."

> ~St. Paul Philippians I

Friends are Welcome at all of

our events.

please invite them!

Youth Bible Study

Calling all 6th grade- High School Students! Grab a cookie and some coffee!

Middle School will join Mr. Chase Crull in the Library and High School will join Mrs. Kali Gruenhagen in the Youth Room during the Bible Study hour! Hope to usee you there! Bring a Friend!

Dates to Remember

October is....

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Nov. 2—DST Ends—Set your clocks back!

Upcoming Youth Events

October 25th—Fall Family Fest 5:30-8:30pm Help with games Invite your friends!

> November 15— Kids Against Hunger More info to come!



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

Mission statement: As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

All ladies of Risen Christ are members of LWML – and all are welcome to come to any or all of our activities.

Bible Study:

October 2 at 6:30 p.m.
All women are invited for a Bible study - the devotion is "Celebrate" and Bible study is "Stones to remind us to Celebrate"

Every Sunday, Adult Bible Class with Pastor Licht - at 10:30 a.m.

LWML Sunday celebration at Risen Christ Lutheran Church October 5

For Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday 2025 we focus on Proclaiming Christ. Everything we do as Lutheran Women in Mission begins with Christ's message of repentance and forgiveness.

ZONE RALLY - October 11

Risen Christ Ladies - we are hosting the fall rally. The Rev. Dr. Andrew Watkins will share information about East Side Mission. Ingathering: bring items for East Side Mission's pantry:

Canned fruit, vegetables, meat; nonperishable rice and pasta packets Cleaning products Paper products

Breakfast is 8:15 – 9 a.m. Program begins at 9 a.m. RSVP to Rachel Luebbe by Oct. 8 Oct.2 - 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Oct.5 - LWML Sunday Oct. 11 - 8:15 - 11:30 a.m. Oct. 13 - Quilting at 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 28 - 9:30 a.m. Mugs and Muffins

We will also have our first Sunday mites collection on October 5 - thank you to all who help us collect MITES FOR MISSIONS.



LWML Fall Zone Rally Theme "Rooted in Faith" Col 2:6-7

You're Invited!

Join us for our annual LWML Fall Zone Rally—a day of faith, fellowship, and inspiration as we celebrate our mission to serve the Lord with gladness.

Event Details

Date: Saturday, October 11, 2025

Time: 8:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; Breakfast 8:15-9 a.m., Program begins at 9 a.m.

Location: Risen Christ Lutheran Church

6021 Northwest Boulevard

Davenport, IA 52806

Speaker: Rev Dr Andrew Watkins from the Eastside Mission

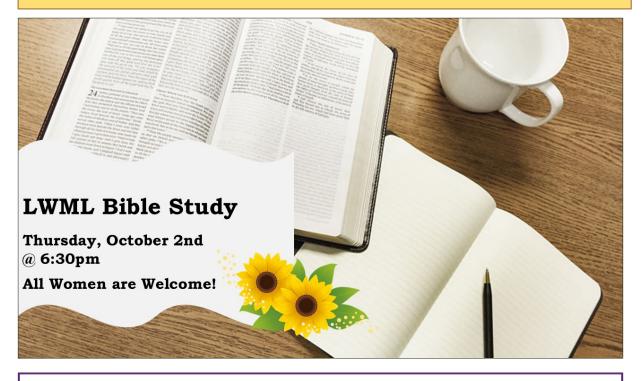
What to Bring

Our in-gathering will be donations for the Eastside Mission's food pantry

- Canned fruit, vegetables, meat; non-perishable rice and pasta packets
- Cleaning products
- Paper products

RSVP

To help us prepare, please RSVP by October 8th to Rachel Luebbe at (563) 340-7400 or luebberachel@gmail.com.



Mites Box Sunday, October 5th

Mites for Missions IDE LWML Thanks you!

Look for the BIG BOX in the Fellowship Hall













FELLOWSHIP FRIDAY/VOTER'S MEETING







Little Blessings Daycare Open House

Trunk-n-Treat

Food

Chili Cook-off

candy





Check out all of our sign ups in the fellowship hall!

Bounce Houses

Bonfire

Family fun for all ages

Marshmallow Roasting & S'mores

Friday, October 24th 5pm-8pm



Chili Cook-off!!

Friday, October 24th

Have you been told that you make a "mean batch of chili"? We invite you to prove it!

Bring a large pot of your famous chili to our Fall Family Fest to be judged by and for the masses.

1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes, but mostly for the bragging rights. ©

Judging starts at 5pm.
Sign up at the Fall Family Fest display in the Fellowship Hall

Altar Flowers

Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

ALTAR

10/05 LWML SUNDAY

10/12 Congregational Life

10/19 OPEN

10/26 Terry & Michelle Warner



Flower Chart for year 2025 is available on the kiosk in the narthex. Please make checks payable to Risen Christ Lutheran Church

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday. The cost for a bouquet is \$43 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

Sunday Cookies

10/05	LWML
10/12	Congregational Life
10/19	Altar Guild
10/26	Stewardship



*Committee responsible when member's haven't signed-up.

Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There are opportunity's for everyone to serve. Everyone enjoys treats & community building after Sunday morning services. Call the church office with any questions.



Serving One Another

<u>CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION</u> - Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a "Service Group" at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping

projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. Please submit ideas/requests to Myles Zirpel, or write them on the sheet in the Narthex, with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Are you looking for ways to serve your neighbor? Consider taking part in one of our service options:

Christ's Hands In Action is a service group created to meet the needs of members of our church and community with small jobs or household tasks which they may not be able to do on their own. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

Service Videos: Volunteers are wanted to help with video livestreams and editing for network airings. This is a great opportunity for adults and youth alike! Training is available by request.

Board of Trustees is always looking for new members! If hands-on skills are more your area of expertise, consider joining the Board of Trustees. Trustees help maintain the church building and grounds.

Members of all skill levels are needed, so if you have any interest in serving with one of these areas then please contact Myles Zirpel to take part!

If you would like to help with the upkeep or beautification of our church and grounds, please **contact Myles Zirpel**.

RCLC News

Secretary Vacancy

During this time of vacancy in the office, we have a number of folks who have stepped up to fill the void.

Angela Stickel is taking care of our mail.

Rachel Luebbe is helping out with putting together the Worship bulletins and inserts.

Scott Sievert has been making slides for slideshow communication.

Dick Schrage is entering our weekly attendance and giving attendance reports to the Elders.

Amber Heppner has taken on our email communication. **Leslie McCoy** has taken on the monthly Newsletter, mail chimp emails & the outdoor sign.

Sandy Sievert is taking care of the altar/organ flower orders. Brenda Ross is keeping our plants watered and thriving.

Thank you to everyone for your efforts during this time!

New Church Administrator—Welcome Liz Harper

Welcome Liz Harper!

Liz Harper has accepted the Church Administrator position at Risen Christ Lutheran Church. Liz comes to us from a position at the Rock Island Arsenal. Liz is working part-time until September when her hours will increase.

Liz will be responsible for working with Church Staff, also with Daycare Staff. Liz is married and has (2) children with (2) attending Little Blessings Daycare for the Summer.





10/02 Jarrett Holshouser 10/02 Susan Knuth 10/04 Judy Harford 10/05 Robbín Eastman 10/05 Pam Yocum 10/07 Sarah Rasler 10/07 Nathan Repp 10/08 Eden Clark 10/08 Sydney Happel 10/08 Brody Welch 10/09 Kevín Martens 10/10 Barb Grosskopf 10/12 Larry Niebuhr 10/12 Gustav Ruhnke 10/14 Davíd Luebbe 10/17 Allan Elias

10/17 Rachel Smíth 10/18 Krísty Ehlers 10/21 Marcía Bortleson 10/21 Abigail Luedtke 10/21 Sudeeksha Mukírí 10/21 Matt Tríckey 10/22 Josh York 10/23 Kerry Gruenhagen 10/24 Mark Iltís 10/28 Stacy Thomas 10/29 Emíl Petersen 10/29 Mary Reisner 10/30 Cody Harkey 10/31 Jayne Holshouser



BAPTISMS



10/01 Megan Díppel
10/02 Blake Cornett
10/02 Carter Cornett
10/02 Sushma Mukírí
10/05 Pam Osborn
10/06 Esther McCloud
10/08 Matthew Luebbe
10/08 Holly Meyer
10/13 Derek Gruenhagen
10/13 Grace Schírm
10/14 Jocelyn Farís
10/14 Sam Ross
10/18 Kailynn McCracken
10/20 Sienna Repp
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10/20 Pam Yocum

10/21 Teresa Kaszínskí
10/21 Nathan Repp
10/23 Daníel (Ed) Kelly
10/23 Melody Reimers
10/24 Morgan Ferrís
10/25 Eden Clark
10/25 Graham Zírpel
10/27 Jordann Lehman
10/31 Kím Díppel
10/31 Stacy Thomas

"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism."
Ephesians 4:5

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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10/14 Jeremy & Kítra Terry 10/15 Tím & Dawn Curtíss 10/17 Ronald & Lorí Van Sant 10/26 Roger & Angela Dodd 10/26 Kurt & Becky Van Nice 10/26 Terry & Michelle Warner 10/28 James & Linda Hergert

"I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine." Song of Solomon 6:3



Membership Changes



If you have changed address, or know of another member who did but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treas-

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Kali Gruenhagen—Ongoing treatment at Home
Tyson Baumgardner (Gloria Blackledge's nephew)—in a coma since 12/27/23
Grace Schrage—Awaiting decision on possible treatment for cancer
Rachel Luebbe—upcoming surgery



The family of Dorothy Luebbe; Leslie McCoy's mother and sister to Marilyn Luebbe, who was called out of this valley of sorrow to her heavenly home on Thursday, September 25th.

HOSPITALIZED? If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.



Men's Shelter Meal Service

Where: 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

When: The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between

5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

What: We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

Details: Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs. In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.

Contact Bryan Johnson or Sandy Sievert or sign up at the kiosk in the narthex if interested in helping prepare a meal.

This is a great family or small group activity!

Look for the sign up sheets at the kiosk for all months in 2026.

October 23rd—Angela Franzenburg & Family

Thank you to all of the families that contribute their time & resources to help those in need in our community. God Bless You!

2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201 (309) 786-5734

September Worship Servants Pg 23

Elders

10/05

Ian McCloud

10/12 Jason Franzenburg

10/19 Stephen Smith

10/26 Mark Iltis



for me and my house, we will serve the Joshua 24:15

Current Elder Assignments

Families with last names starting with:

A-B - Ian McCloud

C-F Stephen Smith

G-J Mark Iltis

K-L Scott Sievert

M-N Tim Welch

O-R OPEN

S Jason Franzenburg

T-V OPEN

W-Z Jason Franzenburg

Sound & Video

10/05 Sam Ross

10/12 Disk Schrage

10/19 Terry Warner

10/26 Steve McCoy

Altar Guild Scott & Sandy Sievert

Join the Altar Guild!

Contact Leslie McCoy, Gayla Kelly or Pastor Licht if interested.

ACOLYTES

- 10/05 Maddie McCoy
- 10/12 Hannah Segelhorst & Elsie Lehman
- 10/19 Eden Clark
- 10/26 Hayley Ferris





"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth."

Psalm 71:5

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10/05 Ron Smith, Jason Lehman, Myles Zirpel, Bryan Johnson

Elder: Ian McCloud

10/12 Gary Hentze, Dean Enfield, Allan Elias, Scott Sievert

Elder: Jason Franzenburg

10/19 Amber Heppner, Ron Smith, Scott Sievert, Terry Warner

Elder: Stephen Smith

10/26 Jason Lehman, Myles Zirpel, Scott Sievert, Steve McCoy

Elder: Mark Iltis

GREETERS

9:00AM

10/05 Tim & Jessica Welch

10/12 Kay Johnson & Sue Knuth

10/19 Bryan & Sherri Johnson

10/26 Jean Wenndt



Homebound Members



Donna Cook Doralee Rock Joe Speer Linda Gentz Betty Keppy Kristi Manley Sandy McLeod Dan & Trish Speth Jack Boley

Keep these members in your prayers and don't forget to reach out to them as you are able (e.g.: cards, phone calls, text messages) and remind them that although they are not able to regularly gather together with us, they remain part of our family. Thank

October - Dates to Remember

10/01 Weds.	9:00am	*LifeLight
	5:30pm	*Confirmation Class
	7:00pm	*LifeLight
10/02 Thurs.	6:30pm	LWML Bible Study
	6:30pm	Elder Meeting
10/04 Sat.	7:00am	*Workout
	7:30am	Men's Bible Breakfast
10/05 Sun.	LWML SUNDAY	
	9:00am	*Divine Service
	10:30am	*Adult Bible Study/
		*Youth Sunday School
10/08 Wed.	5:15pm	Congregational Life Mtg
	6:15pm	ED Board Meeting
10/09 Thurs.	6:30pm	Council Meeting
10/11 Sat.	8:15am	LWML Zone Rally
10/13 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
10/14 Tues.	5:30pm	LBDC Board Meeting
10/19 Sun.	1:00pm	Lauren & Clay's Shower
10/23 Thurs.	5:30pm	Christian Care Meal
		Prep/Serve
10/24 Fri.	12:00pm	Fellowship Friday
	5:00pm	Fall Family Fest
10/26 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Voter's Meeting
	10:30am	Youth Sunday School
10/27 Mon.	6:30pm	Future Planning Meeting
10/28 Tues.	9:30am	Mugs & Muffins

*Scheduled Weekly

