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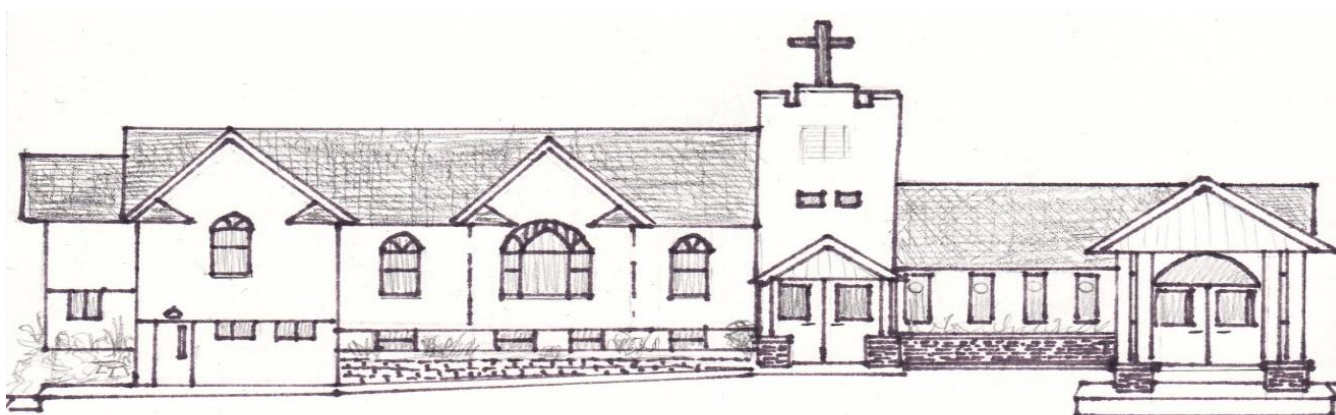
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Sunday, October 12, 2025
18th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE: ORGAN / CLAVINOVA

[*] REQUESTS YOUR RISING IF COMFORTABLE

GREETINGS



*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**
Amen

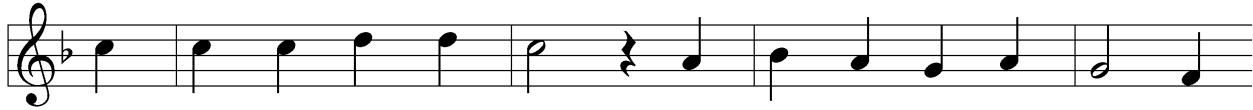
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

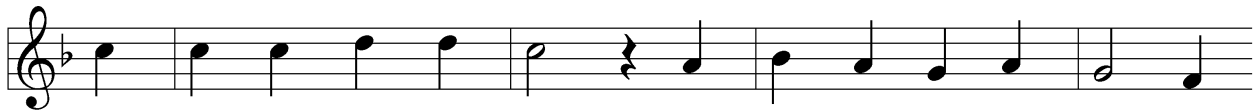
(The ‘sign of the Cross’ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism)

***ENTRANCE HYMN** *Now Thank We All Our God (isometric)* (LBW 534)

Now Thank We All Our God



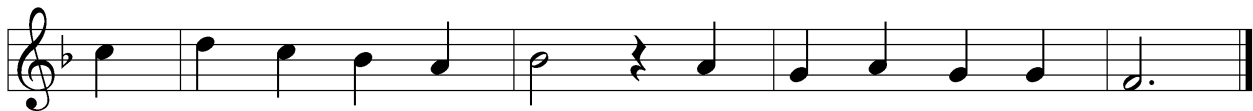
1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voice - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,



who won-drous things has done, in whom his world re-joice - es;
with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high-est heav-en,



who, from our moth-ers' arms, has blest us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;



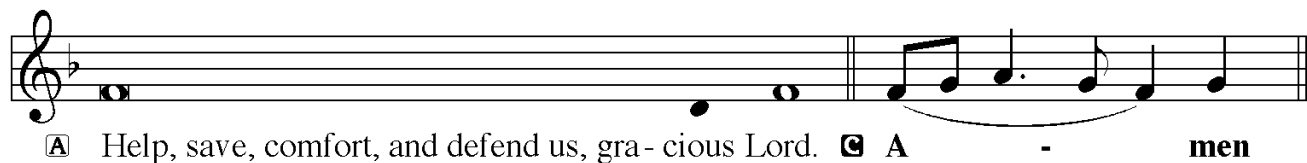
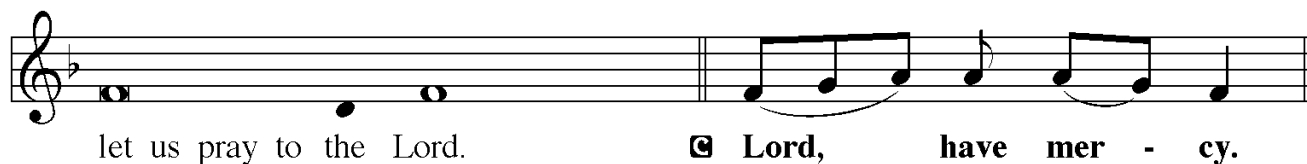
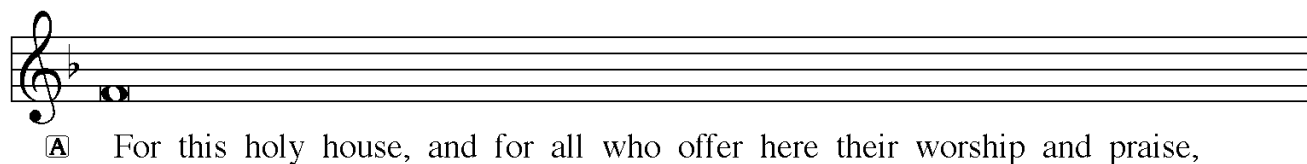
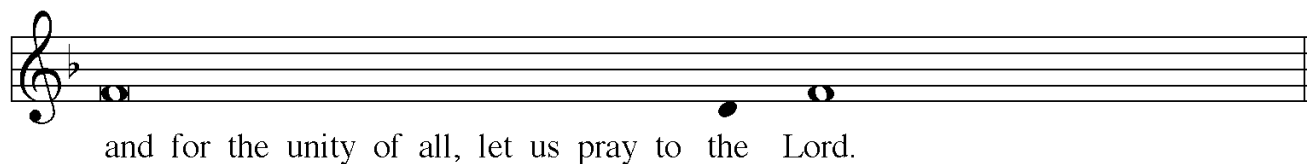
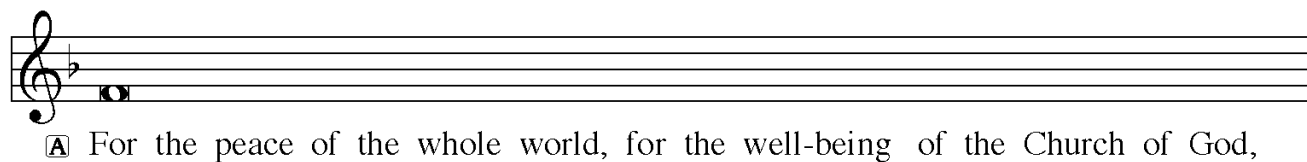
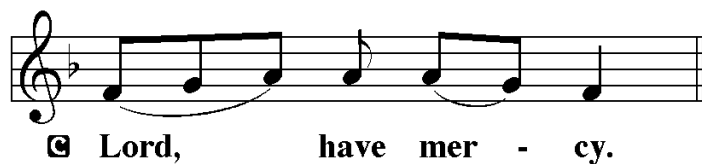
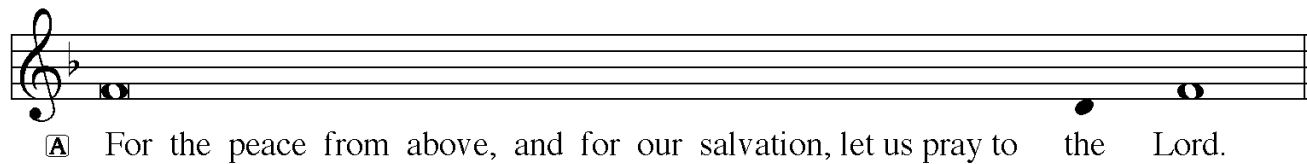
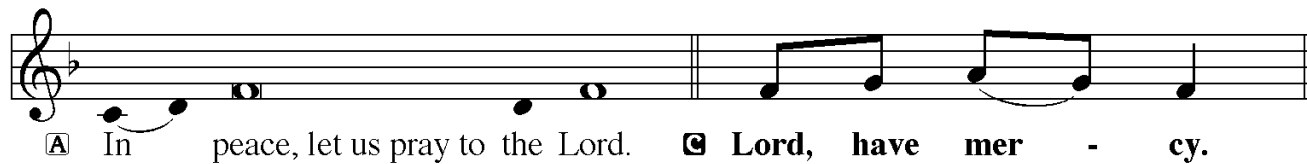
with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878
Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

***GREETING** (LBW p. 57)

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **And also with you.**

***KYRIE (LBW p. 57)**



***HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 58)**



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

***PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 16)**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, source of every blessing, your generous goodness comes to us anew every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

FIRST LESSON: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

The First Lesson is from the 5th chapter of 2 Kings.

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in

them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

^{15a, b, c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

READER The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 111

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart. (*Ps. 111:1*)

¹ Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with [|] my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright, in the [|] congregation.

² **Great are your [|] works, O LORD,
pondered by all who de- [|] light in them.**

³ Majesty and splendor [|] mark your deeds,
and your righteousness en- [|] dures forever.

⁴ **You cause your wonders to [|] be remembered;
you are gracious and full [|] of compassion.**

⁵ You give food to [|] those who fear you,
remembering forev- [|] er your covenant.

⁶ **You have shown your people the power [|] of your works
in giving them the lands [|] of the nations.**

⁷ The works of your hands are faithful- [|] ness and justice;
all of your pre- [|] cepts are sure.

⁸ **They stand fast forev- [|] er and ever,
because they are done in [|] truth and equity.**

⁹ You sent redemption to your people and commanded your cove- [|] nant forever;
holy and awesome [|] is your name.

¹⁰ **The fear of the LORD is the begin- [|] ning of wisdom;
all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise en- [|] dures
forever.**

SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

The Second Lesson is from the 2nd chapter of 2 Timothy.

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

A reading from 2 Timothy.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹ The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

READER The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*VERSE (LBW p. 62)

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the'. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: 'words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.' The piece ends with a double bar line.

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19**

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, 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 made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: "GOD SAYS, 'YOU BELONG HERE'"



HYMN OF THE DAY *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (LBW 559)

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is in the Soprano part. The lyrics are arranged in two systems, with the first system containing five lines of text and the second system containing three lines. The music consists of a vocal line and a basso continuo line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,
4 He breaks the pow'r of can-celed sin; he sets the pris-'ner free.
5 To God all glor-y, praise, and love be now and ev-er giv'n

the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.
sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
His blood can make the foul-est clean; his blood a-vails for me.
by saints be-low and saints a-bove, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

***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**

***THE PRAYERS**

- P Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.
- P Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P Creating God, you provided cleansing and healing waters for Naaman. Water the earth's lands in parched places. Restore clean water to all communities, and guide the work of all who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world, and your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to right relationship with you and with one another. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing (*especially*). God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P Life-giving God, you free us by your word. Help us, by your Spirit, to be transformed to live your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith (*especially*). Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.**
- P We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.**

A TIME SET ASIDE FOR SILENT PRAYER

*PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.
P Let us share God's peace with one another.

*OFFERTORY



Let the vine- yards be fruit- ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

***BLESSING**

P Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen

REFLECTIONS

1. From the Lessons today, I noticed how people with health problems in the Bible were ostracized. Do you think that 'this' still goes on today?
2. Some people actually believe that a person's health problems are directly related to something they have done wrong. How would you answer people who think that way?
3. Given the health and personal problems that each of us has, has your faith in God's Word been of help?

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. Thank you for coming!

~ Strength & Healing Concerns~

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pam Rabe	Judy Livingston	Pat Janssen	Bill Juraco	Phyllis Fischer
Lyle & Mary Lou Nannen	Judy Wyss	Virginia Mahan		Richard Sathoff
Cyndi Benson	Carl Satterlee	Dave Kroepel		Linda Meyer
Grant Blaza	Doug Rabe	Alice Lopez		Heather Hayden
Marsha Shafer	Greg Strickfaden	Bobby Creamer		Becky Pfahl
Brenda Hyneman	Lynda Riekema			

And All Soldiers Serving Our Country

Attention Ladies:

Just a reminder that October 21st is our next night out at Gil's Supper Club @ 5:30. Please let Caryn know if you are going to attend. 309.678.7484 Thanks!

~ THANK YOU ~

Music: Marilyn Strickfaden
Reader: Rosemary Haynes
Greeter: Ladies'

Wine Country Fair – Wine Tasting and Fun – for LSSI @ Mackinaw Valley Winery. Sunday, October 19th @ 2pm. Advanced tickets required – deadline for tickets is Oct. 13th. Please contact Pepper Bauer at 309.657.5726

My husband, Terry got his Seeing Eye dog on Tuesday, Oct 6th at 2pm. They seem to be bonding well and Terry is much better and happier. The male is a German Sheppard. Thank you for your prayers and concern. Keep the prayers coming that things continue to go well.
Alice Lopez

November 23rd, St. Peter is having a soup lunch after church and then do a Hanging of the Greens before Advent starts on Nov. 30th.

~ ST. PETER HAPPENINGS ~

Oct. 12th – Non-Communion Sunday
Oct. 13th – Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day
Oct. 18th – 8am Men's Breakfast @ Glasford Baptist Church
Oct. 19th – Communion Sunday
Oct. 21st – Ladie's Night Out @ Gil's in Hanna City – 5:30pm
Oct. 26th – Non-Communion Sunday
Oct. 31st – Halloween – Trick-or-Treat Booth set up next to Village Hall in Glasford

**Plaid Tidings Dinner Play at
The Barn in Goodfield, IL.
Sunday, November 30th.**

The Evangelism Committee would like to invite you to a Christmas Dinner Play, "Plaid Tidings" at the Barn in Goodfield on Sunday, November 30th. The cost is \$75 per person and includes your dinner, drink, dessert, gratuities and the play. Doors open at 11:30 am. so we will be leaving right after church.

Please let Rosemary Haynes or Sharon Phelps know if you would like tickets along with your payment by Sunday, October 26th. It will be a great way to start off the Holiday season!

HALLOWEEN MOVIES WORD SEARCH

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 HALLOWEENTOWN
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GOSPEL MESSAGE

October 12, 2025

LECTIONARY 28

On Common Ground

Ten people are healed by Jesus, but only one returns to thank him. That is the central tension of today's gospel story. But there is also a twist, one we may have missed if we were not listening closely: the one who thanked Jesus was a Samaritan.

The faithful of Jesus' time would have known all about the hostility between Judeans and Samaritans. The conflict between the two groups stretched back generations and generations. It was animosity so entrenched that people probably did not remember the specifics of the fight. They just knew they hated the other side. A Judean would never associate with a Samaritan, much less heal one of them.

But as we see in this story and others throughout the gospels, Jesus did not seem to care about the labels the world assigned to people: scribe or Pharisee, sinner or tax collector. Jesus also did not stop to consider whether the person was from Judea or Samaria. He looked into the eyes of all who came to him and saw directly to their humanity. He brought healing and wholeness to everyone.

Just as Jesus told the Samaritan, he could tell us, too, that our faith makes us well. God gives us faith that overcomes the destructive words of the world, allowing us to transcend barriers and labels and to recognize the humanity in each individual. God is also calling us as a whole community to go and seek out the Samaritans of our own time and place—anyone whom the rest of the world rejects and reviles—and show them the same compassion and mercy we have received.

God's love makes us whole. Words can hurt, but thanks to Jesus, words can heal too. More often than not, we will find common ground through God's power to heal, even among the Samaritans.

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