



Sunday, September 10, 2023
Today: A Restless Welcome:
God's Work. Our Hands

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**American Lutheran Church walks in the faith of Jesus
as we walk with others.**

All are welcome to be a part of God's Church. There is a place for you here at American Lutheran Church. Our mission is to "share the good news of what God has done for us through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ!"

September Birthday Greetings this week . . .

- If your birthday is missing or wrong, please let Kelly in the office know or write it on the slips inserted in the Bulletin. Thanks!

- 10) Taylor Rogers, Marchelle Jorgensen, Lisa Spieker
- 11) Payton Sauerbrie
- 12) Mary Brandt, Matthew Thier
- 13) Jacob Prunty
- 14) Daniel Gadda
- 15) Easton Sauerbrie, Adley Smith
- 16) Diana Kvilhaug, Jenni Manigold,
- 17) Betty Christensen, Beve Vajgrt

Today's Flower arrangement is given by:

*Beve Vajgrt
Celebrating her Birthday*

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers for 2023, contact Kelly Henkels in the office or Dee Hale at (507) 372-2786. The cost of a bouquet of flowers is \$27.00. You can keep them or donate them. Please remember to pay for your flowers in the office.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday's worship services:

Hymns, prayers, and preaching will be drawn from the themes in these stories.

*Theme: Restless Welcome: Prepare to Welcome
Matthew 25:1-13, Matthew 25:40*

8 AM | First Word Worship Order

FM Ministry for this service is 88.3

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Song:

You Are Welcome Here

We Bid You Welcome Liturgy

Gathering Song

Build Your Kingdom Here

Confession & Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Scripture Song:

Jesus Loves Me. VI

ELW 595

Gospel: Luke 24:36-49

Message

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:

As We Gather At Your Table

ELW 522

Profession of Faith

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering Invitation

Community News

Offering

Offering Song

Draw the Circle Wide

Prayer for Hospitality & Gratitude

MEAL

The Welcome Table

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Instructions

Communion Hymn:

Lord, Whose Love In Humble Service

ELW 712

Post-Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn:

God's Work. Our Hands

ACS 1000

Dismissal

Postlude

8 AM | First Word Worship Leaders

Ministers: All people of the American Lutheran Church

Pastors: Anne Hokenstad and Jeremy Hallquist

Musicians: Cindy Anderson and Aubrey Anderson

Ushers: Shauna Carroll, Laura Hoffman, Russell Obermoller, Dave Nerem

Greeters: Dee & Dennis Hale

Caring News | Prayer Ministry

Health Concerns: (Short and long-term sickness and illness)

- Ruth Rusche
- Maci Their
- Gabby Peterson
- Gerald Fuerstenberg

In Sympathy: (Grieving the death of family).

Family and Friends of Mavis Hoffman.

Family & Friends of Dennis Noerenberg.

Praise the Lord: (Joys and Answered Prayers):

- Rebuilding Worthington
- For Community willing to serve one another.

For Support: (On-going life circumstances)

- Jo Strube- Mother of Cathy Buxengard
- Mitchell Wagner- Grandson of Keith and Kathy Harberts
- Marvella- Mother of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Montana Scholten- Granddaughter of Sherrie and Kevin Adolph
- Ruth Weiland- Granddaughter of Dee Weiland
- Buddy and Sylvia Richter- Parents of Laura Bourquin
- Patrick Weiland- Son of Dee Weiland
- Mary Hamlin-Palmer- Aunt of Jeremy Hallquist
- MaryJo Duerksen- Aunt of Shirley Rempel

Our prayer list will be updated every two weeks. Please notify the office or pastors if you wish to have someone remain on the list.

Sign ups at the Welcome Center-

Bible Study Sign up- Starts Tuesday 19th 1:00pm and Wed 20th 7:00pm

Contemporary Coffee Hour Sign up- Contemporary Coffee Hour will be every Sunday starting Sept. 24. You can sign up to help set up at the welcome center.

Every Meal Sign up- Information below.

Every Meal Volunteers Needed:

It is time to start scheduling volunteers for the Every Meal distribution in the Worthington Intermediate School for the 2023-2024 school year. An email was sent to those who participated last year, urging participation again this year. More volunteers are needed, so please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center, or contact Pam Handevitd at 507-295-2672, or pam@centersports.net. Your one-hour time commitment would be from 3:00-4:00 on Thursday afternoons, starting in mid-late September. Typically, the volunteers are scheduled 1-2 times per month, according to your preference. Last year we served 191 pre-registered children every week by providing ethnic specific food for the weekends. Please consider serving our local youth in this important way,



RETURN TO FALL WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday, September 17th we will resume our fall worship Schedule.

8:00: First Word

9:15 Coffee Hour

10:15: Journey Worship

September:

September 13:

Parent Information Night

(Confirmation/Ignite)

September 20:

Wednesday Faith Formation begins

September 24:

Sunday school begins

Register your child for Faith Formation, **Simply scan the QR code:**



AND...



*Children &
Family Ministry*

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

For pre-k to 5th grade families, stop by the Welcome Center (in the main lobby) to grab your **Children & Family Ministry Handbook** (pictured above).

Youth & Family Ministry

Fall Dates:

- **Sept 13th:** 5:30 Supper/6:30 Parent Meeting
- **Sept 20th:** Wed Night Kickoff
- **Sept 27th:** Faith Formation
- **Oct 4th:** Faith Formation
- **Oct 11th:** Faith Formation
- **Oct 18th:** Faith Formation
- **Oct 25th:** Fall Festival: At The Barn

SAVE THE DATES:

- **Sept 29th:** CLUB 345.
- **Oct 25th:** Fall Festival for all ages.
- **Oct 20th:** Hang Night 6-12th grade.
- **Confirmation Sunday:** Oct 29th @ 10 am Service.
- **Nov 17th-18th.** Junior High (6-8th Grade) Youth Gathering.

Grocery Cards

Thanks to the participation in the Grocery Gift Card program, our *Building Debt has been reduced by almost \$5,200 since November 1, 2021. Your generosity is a gift to the entire congregation.* Please consider contributing to that debt reduction! Purchase your Hy-Vee and Fareway Gift Cards on the 1st and 3rd Sundays, before services, or on weekdays in the church office. You receive full-value cards with 5% of each purchase going to our building debt reduction ministry. Checks are preferred, made out to American Lutheran Building Fund, with “Gift Cards” on the memo line. Contact Harlan or Pam Handevidt at 507-376-5682.



JOIN US
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

PARENT NIGHT*

5:30PM Meal
6:30PM Program Highlights
6:45PM Breakout Activity

COME LEARN ABOUT THIS YEAR'S
FAITH-FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

* Preschool-12th Grade Families

People Helping People

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aid	assistance	benevolence	caring
charity	community	compassion	contribution
donate	empathy	friendliness	generosity
giving	heart	kindheartedness	kindness
service	sharing	unselfishness	volunteer

Sept. 10-17 Calendar

September 10

- 8:00am God's Work our Hands
Service
9:00-12pm Service Projects
12:00pm Potluck- Fellowship Hall

5:00pm Living Lutheran

September 11

- 9:30am Staff Meeting
3:00pm Esther Circle
4:30pm Lutheran Women

September 12

- 7:45am Men's Fellowship
11:00am Worship Planning
2:30pm Golden Horizons
3:30pm Meadows
5:30pm Stewardship
6:30pm Executive
7:00pm Bell Choir

September 13

- 9:00am Quilt Tying
11:30am WACMA
5:30pm Meal
6:30pm Parent Meeting

September 14

September 15

September 16

September 17

- 8:00am First Word
9:00am Coffee & Kinship
10:15am Journey
Baptism after service
Rental 11-1pm

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday

8:00am – 12:00pm

Monday – Thursday

12:30pm – 2:30pm

Friday

Pastors' Sabbath Day
