



HE WAS DESPISED
AND REJECTED...
A MAN OF SORROWS
AND FAMILIAR
WITH SUFFERING.

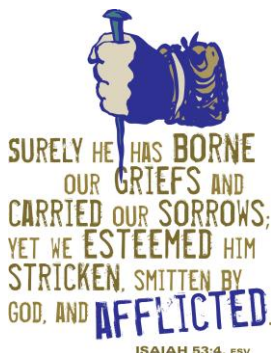
ISAIAH 53:3

TRINITY EIGHTEEN

Luther Memorial Church October 19, 2025

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession
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Bible Study/Sunday School 9am

Divine Worship. 10am

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 119:XVIII (TLH Pg. 151-152);

PRAYERS: 71 (Pg. 109); **32** (Pg. 105).

HYMNS: 538 207:1-4 207:5-6 784

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 538 - *"Now the Shades of Night are Gone"*

A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

(WS Pg. 12)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

Congregation: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: Amen.

- C: ♪ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
- C: ♪ Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.
- ♪ Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.
- ♪ Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,
At God's right hand in majesty most high:
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,
With all the heav'n-ly host we glorify.

Pastor: Let us pray...

"...through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever." **"Amen."**

OT LESSON:

GENESIS 32:22-30

²²The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered." *

EPISTLE LESSON:**1 JOHN 5:13-15**

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him. *

GOSPEL LESSON:**LUKE 18:1-8**

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 refused, 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?" *

THE ALLELUIA:

Pastor: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Congregation:

♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH:**THE APOSTLES CREED**

HYMN: 207:1-4 - *"Like the Golden Sun Ascending"*

THE SERMON:

JOHN 11:30-38

³⁰Now Jesus had not yet gone into the village, but was still where Martha met him. ³¹The Jews who were with Mary in the house consoling her saw that she got up quickly and left. So they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and troubled.

³⁴He asked, "Where have you laid him?"

They told him, "Lord, come and see."

³⁵Jesus wept.

³⁶Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Jesus was deeply moved again as he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. **

THE EMOTIONS OF JESUS - SORROW

Our sorrow at death.

Jesus sorrow at death.

THE OFFERTORY

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. Should you wish to leave a gift, there are offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary. As our gifts are brought forward to His Altar, we sing His Praise.

THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 234:1,3,6)

♪ Holy Ghost, with light divine Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.

♪ Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.

♪ See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part;
A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

PRAYER(S) THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 207:5-6 - *"Like the Golden Sun Ascending"*

THE BENEDICTION: (Pastor) **CONGREGATION:** "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 784 - *"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"*

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will return and join us again. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with the pastor or with an usher on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 19, 2025

THIS MORNING

The Voters of Luther Memorial will meet following worship this morning to conduct business and call a teacher for LMS (2026-27).

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: Mission Committee 6pm

Sunday: Bible Study/Sunday School 9am; Worship 10am

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2025 General Budget was set in our Annual Meeting at \$130,000.00. We have thus far received: \$103,819.25 toward that budget.

COOPERATIVE BUDGET PLEDGE

We have pledged to send \$22,000 to support the work of the LORD in our church body, the Church of the Lutheran Confession in 2025-26. Thus far we have received \$6,050.00 toward that pledge.

SOUTHEAST WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Southeast Women's Retreat will be February 13-15, 2026 at Camp Dogwood on Lake Norman in Sherrills Ford in North Carolina. Theme is Ephesians 4:3 - Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

MIDWEST WOMEN'S RETREAT

Immanuel Mankato invites women of area congregations to a one-day retreat on Saturday, October 25th from 9am-4pm. The theme for the retreat is "Finding our True Identity as a



Reflection of Christ's Image." Presentations will include our Identity in Christ, our Identity Reflected to the world, and Confidence in our Identity. Childcare will be available. To register go to <https://tinyurl.com/3jp5ax8y>. The cost is \$20 if you register before September 24 and is free for young girls under 19. Contact Jen Theneman (507-340-1640 / jtheneman@live.com) with any questions.

MISSION BREAKFAST

The Mission Committee has also planned another Mission Breakfast for Saturday November 8th at 9am. Bring a breakfast item and stay for a Mission Presentation!

USED SMARTPHONES FOR AFRICA

Missionary Bruce Naumann is requesting donations of a certain kind of Android smartphone, for use by pastors and pastoral students in East Africa. If you have a used phone that was once on a Verizon plan and would like to donate it, please bring it to the church office. Verizon is preferred because it will work with African cell carriers, but most others will not. These phones are much appreciated by students and pastors in our sister African churches - thank you!

Note: *The phones don't need a sim card, since the user there has to purchase one. It's best if the phone is also factory-reset (wiped of user information). Please don't buy a new phone to donate, the folks overseas might be tempted to simply re-sell it.*

MINUTES OF LADIES OF LUTHER MEMORIAL MEETING

October 7, 2025 • 6:30 pm

Pastor Schaller opened with the 6th part of a presentation on home and family life in Bible times.

Jodimae Seibel called the meeting to order with 11 ladies present.

Jodimae reported that Barb's Treasurer's Report from last month had not changed.. The balance as of September 9 is \$1,329.35. Orphan fund is at \$514.11.

Old Business

Cradle Roll -Jodimae shared ribbon cross ornaments that Carla had made for the Cradle Roll mailing. After some kids have phased out, there are currently 13 children on the list. Barb will work on labels, letters will be printed and everything will be mailed next month. Carla has another project idea for next year's first Cradle Roll mailing; Jodimae mentioned a cross project involving beads.

Mission Festival - Thank you to everyone who helped make the potluck a success!

Banner Organization - Jodimae has said she will reach out to Pastor Sam Naumann about the banner organization solution discussed at September's meeting.

New Business

There was no new business.

Our next business meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2025. An intro to rosemaking class took place after the business meeting, with a second part scheduled for November's meeting.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

**Respectfully submitted,
Leah Ude**

NOMINATIONS FOR ILC PRESIDENT:

The Board of Regents invites nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College. The current term of Professor Daniel Schierenbeck concludes on June 30, 2026. All pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the CLC are entitled to nominate a man from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve a two-year term beginning July 1, 2026. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight November 22, 2025 (letters postmarked November 12, 2025) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; [217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087](#); email: jeb6217@yahoo.com

CLC CALL NEWS

Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI, has called Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity in West Columbia, SC to serve as their pastor. • Peace Through Christ in Middleton (Madison) WI, has called Pastor Stephan Sonnenfeld, who currently serves Redeemer Lutheran in Dowagiac (Sister Lakes), MI.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2025-26

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Luther Memorial to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

Amount Pledged 2025	Received as of 10/12/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (39)
\$22,000	\$6,050.00	\$15,950.00	\$409.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – LM Offerings 10/12/25

Attendance: 10/12 – 69

General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	MDF (Missions)	Kinship (Missions)	
\$2,110.00	\$335.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	
Total Offerings: \$2,545.00				

Luther Memorial General Budget 2025

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the general budget at the Annual Meeting in January of 2024. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.

General Budget	Received as of 10/12/25	Amount Remaining	Remaining Amount (11 Sundays)
\$130,000.00	\$103,819.25	\$26,180.75	\$2,380.00

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HOME DEVOTIONS FOR OCTOBER 20-25, 2025

Monday – Matthew 13:44-52 The rulership of heaven is not only a treasure, but it reaches out to all (“fish of every kind” v47). At the end of the world comes the separation of the wicked from the righteous (v49).

Tuesday – Acts 20:17-21 Paul bids farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus and reminds them how he lived among them. During hard times and good times he taught repentance toward God and faith in Jesus.

Wednesday – Acts 20:22-27 The Holy Spirit warns Paul of chains and afflictions waiting for him, and he does not expect to see the Ephesians again, but his main concern remains to testify of the gospel of God’s grace (v24).

Thursday - Acts 20:28-38 Paul urges the elders to be always on the alert, guarding the flock given into their care by the Holy Spirit (v28). He therefore entrusts them to God and to the powerful word of His grace (v32).

Friday - 1 Kings 18:21-40 God’s prophet Elijah demonstrates the difference between the helpless idol Baal and the mighty God. Then comes the separation between those serving Baal and those serving the LORD.

Saturday – Deuteronomy 21:18-21 Among the children of Israel, the separation of the stubborn and rebellious (v18) from the faithful and righteous even reached into the home and involved parents of faithless offspring.

These devotions are produced by Pastor/Professor Emeritus Paul Schaller and sent out on a weekly basis.

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HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP **PSALM 119:137-144**

¹³⁷ Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your rules. ¹³⁸ You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness. ¹³⁹ My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words. ¹⁴⁰ Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it. ¹⁴¹ I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts. ¹⁴² Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true. ¹⁴³ Trouble and anguish have found me out, but your commandments are my delight. ¹⁴⁴ Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live. *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR PATIENCE

O God, who by the humble endurance of Your only begotten Son beat down the old enemy, help us, we pray, to truly treasure in our hearts what our Lord of His goodness born for us, that after His example we may bear with patience whatever things are averse to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

FOR PEACE AND QUIETNESS

O Lord, we pray that you would mercifully hear the prayers of Your People that we, being delivered from all adversities and serving You with a quiet mind may enjoy Your peace all the days of our life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN **NOW THE SHADES OF NIGHT ARE GONE**

- 1. Now the shades of night are gone, Now the morning light is come. Lord, may we be Thine today; Drive the shades of sin away.**
- 2. Fill our souls with heavenly light, Banish doubt and cleanse our sight. In Thy service, Lord, today Help us labor, help us pray.**
- 3. Keep our haughty passions bound, Save us from our foes around; Going out and coming in, Keep us safe from every sin.**
- 4. When our work of life is past; Oh, receive us then at last! Night of sin will be no more When we reach the heavenly shore.**

HYMN: LIKE THE GOLDEN SUN ASCENDING

1. Like the golden sun ascending, Breaking through the gloom of night, On the earth his glory spending So that darkness takes to flight, Thus my Jesus from the grave And Death's dismal, dreadful cave Rose triumphant Easter morning At the early purple dawning.

2. Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious! Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life! Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast conquered in the strife. Thanks because Thou didst arise And hast opened Paradise! None can fully sing the glory Of the resurrection story.

3. Though I be by sin o'ertaken, Though I lie in helplessness, Though I be by friends forsaken And must suffer sore distress, Though I be despised, contemned, And by all the world condemned, Though the dark grave yawn before me, Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.

4. Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall arise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.

THE OFFERING HYMN (TLH 234:1,3,6)

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♪ Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine; In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.

♪ See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part; A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

HYMN: LIKE THE GOLDEN SUN ASCENDING

5. Grant me grace, O blessed Savior, And Thy Holy Spirit send That my walk and my behavior May be pleasing to the end; That I may not fall again Into death's grim pit and pain, Whence by grace Thou hast retrieved me And from which Thou hast relieved me.

6. For the joy Thy advent gave me, For Thy holy, precious Word; For Thy Baptism, which doth save me, For Thy blest Communion board; For Thy death, the bitter scorn, For Thy resurrection morn, Lord, I thank Thee and extol Thee, And in heaven I shall behold Thee.

HYMN

LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME

1. Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way; Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day. Without Your grace and favor I go astray; So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

2. Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear; For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near. Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe, For when Your hand is guiding, I n peace I go.

3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come, I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home, And nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend! So take my hand and lead me Unto the end. Amen.