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Luther Memorial Church October 26, 2025

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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

Divine Worship. 10am

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 48 (TLH Pg. 134);

PRAYERS: 18 (Pg. 103); **19** (Pg. 103).

HYMNS: 798 262 477

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 798 - *"God, We Praise You"*

INVOCATION

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

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Dear Friends in Christ. Let us come to God with an honest heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him to forgive our sins because of the life, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, "I will confess my rebellion to the LORD,

Congregation: and you forgive the guilt of my sin."

P: Almighty God, you are our maker and our redeemer. We fallen sinners confess that we are sinful by birth and have sinned against you in thought, word and action. We come to you for deliverance and in view of your mercy, we seek and humbly ask your undeserved love because of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Merciful God, you have given your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for Jesus' sake grant us the forgiveness of all our sins; and by your Holy Spirit, help us to grow in faith and love and in true obedience to Your Word, so that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us. It is for Jesus' sake that the Father forgives us all our sins. He also promises that those who believe on Jesus' name are the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. It is written: He that believes and is baptized shall be saved." Lord, grant this faith to all of us.

C: "Amen."

OT LESSON:

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

³¹ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." *

EPISTLE LESSON:

GALATIANS 5:1-6

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ² Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. ³ I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. ⁴ You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness.

⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love. *

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 8:31-36

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

♪ **Preserve Your Word, O Savior, To us this latter day, And let Your kingdom flourish; Enlarge Your Church, we pray. O keep our faith from failing; keep hope's bright star aglow. Let nothing from truth turn us While living here below.**

♪ **Preserve Your Word and preaching, The truth that makes us whole, The mirror of Your glory, The pow'r that saves the soul. Oh, may this living water, This dew of heav'nly grace, Sustain us while here living Until we see Your face.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He will come to judge the living and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN: 262 - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

GRACE ALONE:

ROMANS 3:22b-24

In fact, there is no difference, ²³because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God ²⁴and are justified freely **by his grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

THE DECIDING FACTOR IS A QUALITY IN GOD

♪ By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth. God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth; His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.

♪ By grace! Oh, mark this word of promise When thou art by thy sins opprest, When Satan plagues thy troubled conscience, And when thy heart is seeking rest. What reason cannot comprehend God by His grace to thee doth send.

♪ By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it because of thine own merit That Jesus died thy soul to win? Nay, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heavenly throne.

FAITH ALONE:

ROMANS 3:28

²⁸For we conclude that a person is justified **by faith** without the works of the law.

FAITH'S OBJECT IS CHRIST

♪ The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes men conscience-stricken; The Gospel then doth enter in The sinful soul to quicken. Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give, No comfort and no blessing.

♪ Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing; And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing. Yet faith alone doth justify, Works serve thy neighbor and supply The proof that faith is living.

SCRIPTURE ALONE:

ISAIAH 8:19-20

¹⁹When they tell you, "Consult the mediums and the spiritists, who whisper and mutter," shouldn't a people consult their God? Should they consult the dead on behalf of the living? ²⁰To the law and to the testimony! If people do not speak according to this word, there will be no dawn for them.

ONE RELIABLE SOURCE OF TRUTH

♪ Preserve Thy Word and preaching The truth that makes us whole, The mirror of Thy glory, The power that saves the soul. Oh, may this living water, This dew of heavenly grace, Sustain us while here living Until we see Thy face!

♪ Preserve in wave and tempest Thy storm-tossed little flock; Assailed by wind and weather, May it endure each shock. Take Thou the helm, O Pilot, And set the course aright; Thus we shall reach the harbor In Thine eternal light.

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

(LSB 655)

♪ Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.

♪ Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are Lord of lords alone; Defend Your holy Church that we May sing Your praise eternally.

♪ O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth; Support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

PRAYER(S) THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

CLOSING HYMN: 477 - *"Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head"*

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 26, 2025

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: LM Elders 6pm

Sunday: SS/BC – 9am; Worship 10am

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2025 General Budget was set in our Annual Meeting at \$130,000.00. We have thus far received: \$105,447.25 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 \$6,280.00 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.

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!

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](mailto:jeb6217@yahoo.com); email: jeb6217@yahoo.com

THE EMOTIONS OF JESUS

Jesus was fully human and also fully God. He did things that only God could do to prove that He was God. He also exhibited his human nature from time to time. The Gospel writers (especially Mark) occasionally give us a glimpse into the emotions of the God-Man. This fall we will look at some of those glimpses.

<u>Emotion</u>	<u>Bible Passages</u>
Compassion	Mark 4:41, 6:34, 8:2, 10:16
Distress/Groan	Mark 7:34; 8:12, 14:33-34

HEART PROCEDURES

We are generally private people. We don't post on social media. We generally don't broadcast the things that are going on in our lives. As hard as it may be to believe, I have been a healthy person with no issues...until moving to Fond du Lac (Is there something in the water?). During my hospital stay back in April, it was discovered that I have a heart condition called Afib. My father has it and my mother had it at the end of her earthly life. I'm having two procedures done on November 10th. First, a heart ablation will hopefully correct the Afib and then the insertion of a Watchman will reduce the possibility of blood clot and remove the necessity for taking blood thinners the rest of my life. The procedures will both be done on Monday November 10th. I expect to have to lay low for 3 days, but then be back to normal (as God wills it) afterward. Please keep me in your prayers.



A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE LM VOTER'S MEETING

October 19, 2025

The LM Voter's Meeting was called to order by Chairman David Bernthal and Pastor Schaller opened with devotion and prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Pastor's Report

Membership: Mr. Reuel Dins was received into membership again by the Voters of Luther Memorial. Miss Katelyn Moodie was released from membership at LM at her request. Pastor Schaller reported on a series of matters pertaining to Christian Education, Ministry and Outreach. It was noted that in the process of cleaning, the Ladies of Luther Memorial have come across old church reports and used envelopes. After taking a look at them, the council recommends that these be disposed of.

Midweek Service Time: In past years both Midweek Services and Church meetings were held at 6:30pm. However, as time has passed, meetings have moved to 6pm. The question was asked whether or not we should move our midweek worship services up to 6pm from 6:30pm. A motion was made and carried to move Midweek Services to 6pm. This will include Thanksgiving Eve, Midweek Advent Services and Midweek Lenten Services.

Upkeep: The Council has decided to walk through a building each month beginning with the church building in November.

Deck Repairs: Pastor Schaller is making repairs and updates to the parsonage deck. The sliding glass door may need to be replaced in the future. If you would like to see Pastor's complete report, speak with him.

Financial Secretary – The financial secretary's report was read.

Treasurer – The treasurer's report was read and discussed.

Elders – Pastor reported that the work of the Elders (Rodney Kern, Bob Chase) is ongoing.

School – The Voters had planned to call a teacher for the next School Year at Luther Memorial School. A call list had been received from President Wilke. It was reported that the students that planned to attend LMS have decided to home school. It was decided by motion to "suspend the calling of a teacher for LMS for the foreseeable future."

Building and Grounds – The parsonage roof has been re-shingled by Lake City Roofing. The company was also asked to study which of our remaining roofs needs to be repaired first. Lake City believes that the Duplex should be repaired first and then the teacherage. They have responded with bids. A motion was made to go ahead with the Council recommendation to repair the roofs of the duplex and the teacherage, accepting the bids of Lake City with the addition of gutter guards.

- Pastor (For official minutes, speak with the Secretary)

CLC Financial Report - September 2025

Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2025	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 3 Months	Balance 9/30/2025
General Fund	0	246,992	316,981	316,275	(69,989)
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	518,455	404,568	443,760	113,887
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	99,143	8,970	30,499		77,614
ILC Building Projects	2,066,713	143,211	340		2,209,584
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	148,402	38,121	70,785		115,738
Kinship	169,472	40,673	44,038		166,107
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,503,796	167,131	227,543		2,443,384
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	101,689	77,536	68,909		110,316
EduK8 Fund	70,311	27,885	10,000		88,196
Reserve Fund	103,629	1,041	0		104,670
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$5,263,155	\$504,568	\$452,114		\$5,315,609

General Fund – The fund shows a deficit of just under \$70,000 which is not quite as much as it was a year ago, due to an increase in contributions of almost \$20,000 over the same period last year.

ILC Operations – Revenues and disbursements are very similar to last year, resulting in a current balance of about \$114,000.

ILC Building Projects – The revenue consists of about \$70,000 in contributions and \$73,000 from increases in the market value of the investments in this fund.

Church Extension Fund – Year to date revenue consists of payments received of close to \$73,000 from congregations on the loans they owe the CLC, and about \$94,000 from increases in the market value of the investments. Disbursements include just over \$204,000 loaned so far to a congregation for some remodeling/asbestos work, with more coming in the next few months.

Other Auxiliary Funds – The activity in the other funds in the table above is similar to the activity in the same period a year ago.

Stephen R. Lentz, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees

2026 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP

The CLC Mission Helper Program is making preparations for another Mission Trip to Africa for the summer of 2026. The main focus of this trip will be presenting the Gospel, through a series of child evangelism lessons, to member and non-member children in village congregations. Possible areas of evangelism include the CLC-Tanzania, CLC-Kenya, CLC-Zambia, and CLC-Uganda. CLC members are welcome and encouraged to apply. For more information and to apply, visit www.mht.lutheranmissions.org.

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor David Pfeiffer has returned the call of Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI. • Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld has returned the call of Peace Through Christ in Middleton (Madison) WI. Peace Through Christ has now called Pastor Michael Gurath, who currently serves Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix AZ to serve as pastor. • Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd in Rapid City, SD has been called by Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church in Spokane, WA. • Pastor Em. Paul Tiefel Jr. has been called to serve as Vacancy Pastor at Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church in Spokane, WA. • Messiah Lutheran Church of Eau Claire, Wisconsin has called Pastor Matt Ude, who currently serves Faith Lutheran Church in Markesan, WI.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2026

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 10/19/25	Amount Remaining	Approximate per Sunday (38)
\$22,000	\$6,280.00	\$15,720.00	\$414.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – LM Offerings 10/19/25

Attendance: 10/19 – 75

General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	MDF (Missions)	Kinship (Missions)	ILC Student Aid (Missions)
\$1,628.00	\$230.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$20.00
General School (School)				
\$100.00				
Total Offerings: \$1,998.00				

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 10/19/25	Amount Remaining	Remaining Amount (10 Sundays)
\$130,000.00	\$105,447.25	\$24,552.75	\$2,455.00

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BIBLE READINGS - OCTOBER 27- NOVEMBER 1, 2025

Monday - Luke 15:11-24 The younger of two sons went to a far country and wasted his birthright. When he returns repentant, his father rejoices because he “was dead and is alive again. He was lost and is found” (v24).

Tuesday – Acts 28:16-31 Paul is under arrest in Rome, but speaks of Jesus to the leaders of the Jews there. Some were convinced, but others continued in unbelief. Nevertheless, Paul’s ministry continued for two years.

Wednesday - 1 Kings 19:4-18 Elijah is discouraged when opposition continues after the triumph on Mt. Carmel. God tells him there is more work for him to do, and he is definitely not the only believer left in the land.

Thursday – Deuteronomy 24:17-22 The LORD instructs Israel to make provision for the non-Israelites, the fatherless, and widows in the land, remembering that they were all once strangers in the land of Egypt.

Friday - John 2:3-17 This day Luther posted the 95 Theses to glorify Jesus Christ. After Jesus revealed his glory at the wedding of Cana, He went on to reform some of the current temple practices in Jerusalem.

Saturday - 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 When Moses received the law from God, his face glowed for a while. But there is a greater glory, and those who reflect the Lord’s glory (v18), revealed in the gospel, still shine!



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 48

¹ Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, ² beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. ³ Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.

⁴ For behold, the kings assembled; they came on together. ⁵ As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic; they took to flight. ⁶ Trembling took hold of them there, anguish as of a woman in labor. ⁷ By the east wind you shattered the ships of Tarshish.

⁸ As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God, which God will establish forever. *Selah*

⁹ We have thought on your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple. ¹⁰ As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with righteousness. ¹¹ Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!

¹² Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, ¹³ consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation ¹⁴ that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever. *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR THE CHURCH IN ITS CONFLICTS Almighty and everlasting God, who would have all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth, we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior that you would impart the grace and help of Your Holy Spirit to all ministers of Your Word so that they may teach it to the salvation of all people. Bring to nothing by Your power and wisdom all the plans of those who hate Your Word and who, by corrupt teaching or with violent hands, would destroy it and enlighten them with the knowledge of Your glory, that we, leading a quiet and peaceable life, may by a pure faith learn the riches of Your heavenly grace and in holiness and righteousness serve You the only true God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ERRED Almighty God, our heavenly Father, whose property it is always to have mercy, we most earnestly pray that You would visit with Your fatherly correction all such as have erred and gone astray from the truth of Your holy Word and to bring them to a due sense of their error that they may again with hearty faith receive, and hold fast, Thine unchangeable truth; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

GOD WE PRAISE YOU

1. God, we praise You! God, we bless You! God, we name You sov'reign Lord! Mighty King whom angels worship, Father, by Your Church adored: All creation shows Your glory; Heav'n and earth draw near your throne, Singing, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts and God alone !"

2. True apostles, faithful prophets, Saints who set their world ablaze, Martyrs, once unknown, unheeded, Join one growing song of praise, While Your Church on earth confesses One majestic Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, God, our hope eternally.

3. Jesus Christ, the King of glory, Everlasting Son of God, Humble was Your virgin mother, Hard the lonely path You trod: By Your cross is sin defeated, Hell confronted face to face, Heaven opened to believers, Sinners justified by grace.

4. Christ, at God's right hand victorious, You will judge the world You made; Lord, in mercy help Your servants For whose freedom You have paid: Raise us up from dust to glory; Guard us from all sin today. King enthroned above all praises, Save Your people, God, we pray.

LITURGICAL HYMN: PRESERVE YOUR WORD, O SAVIOR

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A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

1. A mighty Fortress is our God, A trusty Shield and Weapon; He helps us free from every need That hath us now o'ertaken. The old evil Foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight; On Earth is not his equal.

2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected; But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected. Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is. Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.
We tremble not, we fear no ill, They shall not overpower us. This
world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us
none, He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.

4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit. And
take they our life, Goods, fame, child and wife, Let these all be
gone, They yet have nothing won; The Kingdom our remaineth.

LITURGICAL HYMN

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HYMN

LORD JESUS, THOU THE CHURCH'S HEAD

1. Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head, Thou art her one
Foundation; In Thee she trusts, before Thee bows, And waits for
Thy salvation. Built on this Rock secure, Thy Church shall endure
E'en though the world decay And all things pass away. Oh, hear,
oh, hear us, Jesus!

2. O Lord, let this Thy little flock, Thy name alone confessing,
Continue in Thy loving care, True unity possessing. Thy
Sacraments, O Lord, And Thy saving Word To us e'er pure retain.
Grant that they may remain Our only strength and comfort.

3. Help us to serve Thee evermore With hearts both pure and
lowly; And my Thy Word, that light divine, Shine on in splendor
holy That we repentance show, In faith ever grow; The power of
sin destroy And all that doth annoy. Oh, make us faithful
Christians!

4. And for Thy Gospel let us dare To sacrifice all treasure; Teach
us to bear Thy blessed cross, To find in Thee all pleasure. Oh, grant
us steadfastness In joy and distress, That we Thee ne'er forsake.
Let us by grace partake O endless joy and glory. Amen.