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Mission Statement
Gathered. Renewed. Sent

We are: Gathered by the Spirt. Renewed by the Word. Sent to Serve

## October, 2025 Newsletter for Wilson Lutheran Church



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#### PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

October 2025 – Season of Pentecost

#### Sunday, October 5 – Pentecost 17

- Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- Color: Green
- Holy Communion
- Readings: Habakuk1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 146; 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- ❖ Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5-10: On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

#### Sunday, October 12 - Pentecost 18

- Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- Color: Green
- Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c: Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19: 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.

#### Sunday, October 19 – Pentecost 19

- Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- Color: Green
- Holy Communion
- Readings: Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4-5
- ❖ Holy Gospel: Luke 18:1-8: Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in the ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life transformed work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will until more fully in worship and mission.

- ❖ Sunday, October 27 Pentecost 26 Reformation Sunday
- Liturgy: Evangelical Lutheran Worship
- Holy Communion
- Color: Red
- Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:3:19-28:
- ❖ Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36: Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

#### GATHERED - RENEWED - SENT

Gathered by the Spirit. Renewed by the Word. Sent to Serve.

**Pastor's Office Hours:** Pastor Bob may be reached at the church office, 715-772-3150, Wednesday through Friday, and Saturday morning. In the event of an emergency or hospitalization, he can be reached at 612-270-3838 (cell), or by email at PastorBob@wwt.net.

**W/ELCA Bible Study:** The next bible study will be held at 9:30 Thursday morning, October 9 (Tentative). All women and men of the congregation, and their guests, are welcome to attend.

**W/ELCA Meetings:** The next regular WELCA meetings will be held Thursday, October 9. Monthly WELCA meetings are held the second Thursday of each month, immediately following the bible study. All women of the church are invited to attend.

#### W/ELCA Meeting Minutes - September 11

President Tracy Davis called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

Nine members were present: Tracy Davis, Kathy Borton, Mary Brandt, Linda Rambo, Louann Anderson, Linda Powers, Sharon Bowell, Janet Brandt, Ginny Overland

The Secretary's report was read. M/S Sharon/Kathy. Approved.

The Treasurer's report was read. We had a beginning balance of \$1,813.36 and an ending balance of 1,655.41. The Pancake Supper took in \$1,224.00 and the net profits were \$1,027.78. We spent \$253.10 on towels, so the current balance is \$774.68. M/S Linda R./Ginny. Approved

#### Old Business:

Ninety personal care kits have been packed.

We have enough combs, clippers, and toothbrushes for this year and a surplus that will be used for next year.

We need more towels and soap. Janet will buy more towels with the Thrivent Action gift card.

The funds for the Bake/Produce sale will be put toward Susan's Misson.

It was discussed to perhaps readjust our goal for 2026, as there are so many organizations that have increased needs at this time.

It was acknowledged that Staying Put does so much for the community. It was suggested that we invite a speaker to our worship services to inform the congregation about this local non-profit group.

We have another packing date scheduled for Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.

#### **New Business:**

We talked about the blessings of our coffee fellowship time and how it uplifts community. Please consider signing up to serve. There is always someone to help get the coffee going and boughten and homemade baked goodies, crackers, etc. are enjoyed by everyone. Linda agreed to mention this in church on Sunday.

Round Table: No discussion

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Louanne at 11:20AM. Approved We prayed the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Brandt, Acting Secretary

#### Wilson Lutheran Church Council Meeting Highlights - September 11

- The new basement door has been installed.
- The closer on the new front doors is not working as expected according to Lindus. Dave will contact Nick Pax to see if he can fix or replace it.
- The offering for the month of August was low. That is not unusual for the summer months.
- We received a bid from Market and Johnson for replacement of the front steps.
- Pastor Bob is working on a sign-up sheet for Volunteers to work at Feed My Children in October.
- Rally Sunday is September 14.
- There will be a signup sheet on the table in the Narthex for those interested to sign up to serve coffee after worship.

**Food Pantry Support:** Thank you for your continuing support of our hunger ministry. Your contributions are making a difference. September contributions went to Spring Valley. October contributions will go to Woodville, and November to Glenwood City.

We continue to hear about the increase in the number of families using food shelf programs. Plus the elimination of federal food share programs has impacted our senior citizens and those with disabilities, which means local food shelves are in even greater need of our support. Please remember our neighbors in need. Your contributions to the food pantry box in the narthex are making a real-world difference in the lives of others.

#### **Birth Announcement**

The Wittmer family announces a new member. Jensen Lee was born to September 14 to Mitchell Wittner and Regina Schneider at Mayo Medical Clinic in Eau Claire, weighing 4 lbs. 15 oz. and 19 inches long. Jensen is named after Lester and Bernice Jensen. Congratulations to Mitchell, Regina, and the family.

#### Thank You

I would like to thank your congregation for your unending support of food and personal care items that are faithfully dropped off to be distributed at the West CAP Food Pantry for families in need. Your time and consideration to think of ways to help those less fortunate is much appreciated by all of our participants that depend on varying levels of help.

We thank you for helping make our community healthier and a place where people can feel the presence of others that care. Currently as school starts, we are in the process of collecting extra foods for the backpack programs such as tuna, peanut butter, side dishes, pastas and cereals. Thank you for keep West CAP in your missions!

Sincerely, Melissa J Larson

Melissa J. Larson
Food Access and Resources Manager
CSFP/TEFAP/West CAP Food Pantry
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**Tuesday Community Supper:** St. Croix Electric Cooperative will be serving the Tuesday Community Supper in honor of National Cooperative Month on Tuesday, October 7th from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Gethsemane. The menu is: Tator Tot Casserole, Salad and Bars. Please join us!

#### **Feed My Starving Children Event**

**DON'T FORGET! WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We will again be participating in a Feed my Starving Children food packing event, this time at Peace Lutheran Church, 501 East Fillmore Avenue, Eau Claire, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 25. This has been our part of the ELCA's God's Work Our Hands program for the last several years. This year we've reserved 12 slots for our members. If you're interested in helping pack food for children in the U.S. and around the world, please contact Pastor Bob to have your name added to the list. This is a wonderfully fulfilling Christian activity that makes a huge difference in the lives of people. Please join us.

#### Donations are also welcome.

- \$106 provides enough meals to feed a child a meal a day for a year! That's less than 30 cents per meal!
- FMSC receives no government aid or donated ingredients.
- More than 88% of total donations received go directly to feed kids.
- FMSC consistently receives the highest awards for integrity and trustworthiness

#### **ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP**

Month	Altar Care	Altar Care Communion Ushers		Sundays	
October	Tracy Davis	Rex Brandt	Vicki and Jerry Glampe	4 Sundays	
November	HELP NEEDED	Janet Brandt	HELP NEEDED	4 Sundays Thanksgiving Eve	

Please check the clipboards on the table in the narthex for months still needing your help. If you're unable to serve the entire month, perhaps you could share the Sundays with another person? Please let Pastor Bob know if you are able to help, or sign up on the sheets in the narthex.

#### **ACOLYTE and READER SCHEDULE**

Month	Date	Acolyte	Lector
October			
	5	Maggie	Tracy
	12		Linda Powers
Confirmation Sunday	19	Maggie	Ryan Peterson
Reformation Sunday	25		Ginny Overland
November			
All Saints Sunday	2	Maggie	Rex Brandt
	9		Janet Brandt
	16	TBD	Dean Rambo
Christ the King	23	TBD	Kathy Borton
Thanksgiving Eve	26		Doug Faber

#### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Birthdays				Anniversaries		
Oct 2	Jason Hague	Oct 19	Joe Witter	Oct 1	Jason & Katie Hague	
Oct 4	Mark Butler	Oct 19	Brayden Witter	Oct 3	Logan & Tessa Olson	
Oct 6	Diane Gedatus	Oct 22	Kurtis Gene Kerr			
Oct 8	Keenan Stahl	Oct 22	Sharon Spielman			
Oct 4	Mark Butler	Oct 22	Xen Larson			
Oct 11	Kodey Stahl	Oct 23	Amanda Anderson			
Oct 14	Beau Blegen	Oct 23	Chandra Lamb			
Oct 14	Eli Hague	Oct 25	Owen Hague			
Oct 15	Lyla Spielman	Oct 26	Ty Anderson			
Oct 16	Alex Langer	Oct 27	Brett Anderson			
Oct 16	Eleanor Cretney	Oct 29	Linda Powers			
Oct 16	Paul Deppa	Oct 29	Jason Gedatus			
Oct 16	Lisa Brandvold	Oct 30	Virginia Overland			
Oct 17	Anna Esanbock	Oct 30	Brantley Bonte			
		Oct 30	Lane Butler			

# THE END

#### Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Prayer Ventures October 2025

- 1 Pray for scientists, pastors, science teachers and others who explore the intersection of faith and science through the Lutheran Alliance for Faith, Science and Technology. Ask for God's wisdom to discern the benefits, consequences and use of technology to promote the well-being of humankind, communities and creation.
- **2** Ask the Spirit to guide and bless members of the ELCA Church Council as they support the work and mission of the ELCA churchwide organization. Give thanks to God for their faith, gifts and diligence.
- **3** Remember in prayer youth and adult leaders gathering for the ELCA Gathering Expedition retreat at Lutherhill camp in La Grange, Texas. Pray that their weekend together will nurture faith, stir questions and discussions, and connect them more deeply with one another siblings in Christ who find strength and nourishment in community.
- **4** Today the Rev. Yehiel Curry is being installed as presiding bishop of our church. Give thanks to God for faithful leaders who inspire and guide our church to be passionate, creative and tireless in proclaiming the gospel and doing God's work in the world.
- **5** Pray for the Spirit to guide and inspire those gathered for the Conference of Bishops as they worship and study together, advise the presiding bishop on churchwide planning and ecumenical relations, review proposals for the ELCA Church Council, and work on matters related to rostered ministers.
- **6** "The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you'" (Luke 17:5-6). Praise God for judging us not by the depth of our faith but through a lens of love, forgiveness and concern for us as treasured children.
- **7** Give thanks for ELCA Youth Ministry and the ELCA Youth Ministry Network. Pray for their faith formation programs, leadership training events and resources for youth, and for leaders serving in children, youth and family ministries.

- **8** In the first eight months of this year, there were 292 mass shootings and more than 28,400 gun-related injuries and deaths (gunviolencearchive.org). Pray for those who suffer grief and trauma due to gun violence or accidental shootings. Ask God to help us be steadfast and wise in our advocacy to end gun violence and our care for those impacted.
- **9** Give thanks for our siblings in Christ near and far with whom we join in proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ, who frees us from the bondage of death, gives life, renews our hope and sets us on a path of compassion, service and generosity.
- **10** Pray for musicians and worship leaders participating in the Music that Makes Community retreat in Albuquerque, N.M., that they will sharpen their skills for leading songs and instrumental music in faith communities.
- **11** Ask God to bless the work of farmers, ranchers and agricultural workers. Give thanks for their vocations and the diverse roles they play in bringing food to our tables and around the world.
- 12 In the Gospel of Luke, when 10 men with a skin disease approach Jesus in search of mercy and healing, Jesus never hesitates. Give thanks to God for attending to our needs and tribulations, and for the love and forgiveness that flow to us through Jesus Christ.
- 13 Indigenous Peoples' Day Today we remember and honor Indigenous people our neighbors and siblings in Christ. Lift up prayers of gratitude for the cultures, traditions, spirituality and history of Indigenous people and tribal nations. Ask the Spirit to guide and enrich our lives together, helping us remain faithful to our shared journey toward truth and healing in the church and society.
- 14 "I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation" (Psalm 111:1). Give thanks to the Spirit, who gathers us together in community to praise God, reflect on the word of God, celebrate the sacraments, respond to the needs of our neighbors and encourage one another in doing God's work in the world every day.

- **15** Give thanks and praise for God's inexhaustible grace, which liberates us from despair when we feel ill-equipped to deal with our troubles.
- **16** Give thanks and pray for those in our communities who serve in law enforcement, that they will be safe, affirmed in their vocations and led by the Spirit to exercise justice, fairness and wisdom in their duties.
- 17 Pray for ELCA campus ministries, that their reach and impact will grow among students, faculty, staff and others through worship, study, fellowship and service. Give thanks for the work of Lutheran Campus Ministry Network, which strengthens and supports campus ministry by equipping and connecting leaders and by advocating for ministry on college and university campuses.
- **18** *Luke, Evangelist* Ask the Spirit to help us express our faith, share the good news of Jesus Christ with confidence and enthusiasm, and invite others to join the community of siblings in Christ who do God's work in the world.
- **19** Ask God to grant justice to those who suffer discrimination and inequity, and ask the Spirit to help us be bearers of God's justice in the world.
- 20 Remember in prayer our ministries in seven countries in Asia and the Pacific region. Pray for ELCA Global Mission personnel and Young Adults in Global Mission who work alongside companion churches to spread the gospel, equip leaders, teach, respond to community needs and strive for justice.
- 21 "The time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths" (2 Timothy 4:3-4). Pray that the Spirit will give us insight and guidance when we struggle to distinguish God's truth from the falsehoods that lead us astray.
- 22 Ask God to strengthen and sustain those who work for peace between nations, including diplomats, negotiators, religious leaders and heads of state. Pray that they will find new ways to work though impasses, implement just and lasting peace agreements, and address the needs of those impacted by war and civil conflict.

- **23** Pray for congregations going through challenging times, that they will find resources and assistance to renew their sense of mission and their resolve to be God's loving presence in their communities.
- **24** Pray for Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry, that his faith, his ministry experiences and the counsel of his siblings in Christ will inspire wisdom and equip him for guiding our church and its leaders to be persistent and creative in proclaiming God's restorative love.
- 25 Ask God to help us create safe and uplifting communities of faith where all people can gather to hear the word of God, share the good news of Jesus, celebrate God's amazing love and promises, care for one another and encourage one another to follow Christ in our daily lives.
- **26** Reformation Sunday Give thanks for our living, growing and changing church, which asserts its identity and purpose in the good news of Jesus Christ God's free gift of grace and new life for the world.
- **27** Pray for refugees and immigrants in our country and throughout the world, that they will be welcomed by communities and churches that accompany them through the challenges of rebuilding their lives.
- **28** Pray for Racial Justice Ministries of the ELCA and give thanks for a gospel proclaiming that Christ's church is for *all* people. Ask God for the courage to confront racism and seek fairness and justice in the church and society.
- **29** Lift up prayers of thanksgiving and joy that in God we find strength, life, happiness, hope and an eternal home.
- **30** Remember in prayer students who experience difficulties in school academic, emotional, physical or social. Pray that they will receive care and support from teachers, counselors and peers so that they will grow confident and thrive.
- **31** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Allegheny Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

# Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings – Year C October 2025

Date	Day	Psalm	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel
1	Wednesday	Psalm 62	Hosea 12:2-14		Matthew 19:16-22
2	Thursday	Psalm 37:1-9	2 Kings 18:1-8, 28-36	Revelation 2:8-11	
3	Friday	Psalm 37:1-9	2 Kings 19:8-20, 35-37	Revelation 2:12-29	
4	Saturday	Psalm 37:1-9	Isaiah 7:1-9		Matthew 20:29-34
5	Sunday	Psalm 37:1-9	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10
6	Monday	Psalm 3	Habakkuk 1:5-17	James 1:2-11	
7	Tuesday	Psalm 3	Habakkuk 2:5-11	1 John 5:1-5; 13-21	
8	Wednesday	Psalm 3	Habakkuk 2:12-20		Mark 11:12-14; 20-24
9	Thursday	Psalm 111	Leviticus 14:33-53	2 Timothy 1:13-18	
10	Friday	Psalm 111	Numbers 4:34-5:4	2 Timothy 2:1-7	
11	Saturday	Psalm 111	Numbers 12:1-15		Luke 5:12-16
12	Sunday	Psalm 111	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 17:11-19
13	Monday	Psalm 61	2 Kings 5:15-19a	Acts 26:24-29	
14	Tuesday	Psalm 61	2 Kings 5:19b-27	Ephesians 6:10-20	
15	Wednesday	Psalm 61	2 Kings 15:1-7		Matthew 10:5-15
16	Thursday	Psalm 121	Isaiah 54:11-17	Acts 17:22-34	
17	Friday	Psalm 121	Genesis 31:43-32:2	2 Timothy 2:14-26	
18	Saturday	Psalm 121	Genesis 32:3-21		Mark 10:46-52
19	Sunday	Psalm 121	Genesis 32:22-31	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	Luke 18:1-8
20	Monday	Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:2-22	1 Corinthians 6:1-11	
21	Tuesday	Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:23-35	James 5:7-12	
22	Wednesday	Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:36-42		Luke 22:39-46
23	Thursday	Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 9:1-16	2 Timothy 3:1-9	
24	Friday	Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 9:17-26	2 Timothy 3:10-15	
25	Saturday	Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 14:1-6		Luke 1:46-55
26	Sunday <i>Reformation</i>	Psalm 46	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Romans 3:19-28	John 8:31-36
27	Monday	Psalm 84:8-12	1 Samuel 2:1-10	1 Peter 4:12-19	
28	Tuesday	Psalm 84:8-12	Daniel 5:1-12	1 Peter 5:1-11	
29	Wednesday	Psalm 84:8-12	Daniel 5:13-31		Matthew 21:28-32
30	Thursday	Psalm 32:1-7	Proverbs 15:8-11, 24-33	2 Corinthians 1:1-11	
31	Friday	Psalm 32:1-7	Job 22:21-23:17	2 Peter1:1-11	

### OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
September 29 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Sunday School Pastor's Fall Ministry Retreat - Trego	30	1 Pastor's Day Off	2 6:00 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	3	4	5
6 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Sunday School	7 Pastor's Sabath	8 Pastor's Day Off	9 6:00 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	10 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 WELCA Meeting 12:30 Council Meeting	11	12
13 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday School	14 Pastor's Sabath	15 Pastor's Day Off	16 6:00 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	17	18	19 10:00 Confirmation Rehearsal
20 Confirmation Sunday 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Sunday School Newsletter Deadline	21 Pastor's Sabath	22 Pastor's Day Off	23 6:00 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	24	25	26
27 Reformation Sunday 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday School	28 Pastor's Sabath	29 Pastor's Day Off	30 6:00 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	31	November 1	2