



NEWSLETTER

"Sharing the hope of Jesus in a troubled world"

October 2025

United in Christ Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the



Evangelical
Lutheran Church
in America

Regular Office Hours: By Appointment
Weekly Worship: Sundays @ 8:30 a.m.

From the Congregation President...

In the month of October we will be having Pastor Mikayla, Pastor Gina, Pastor Derek, and Pastor Bruce, leading our Sunday services. I look forward to seeing them again. I hope that you also find our rotation of pastors to be working well for now while we work through the process of finding our next pastor. I'm getting the schedule for November planned and will need to work on December soon.

On Monday, September 29th representatives of our congregation met with those from Christ Lutheran, Spring Prairie, Norway Grove, Burke Lutheran and Marie Leafblad from the Synod staff for a conversation on how our congregations can work together. Various ideas were suggested as possible ways we could collaborate and ways to get a message to the community about what our ELCA congregations have to offer. This was a follow up to meetings that pastors from our churches have been having for some time. Other congregations face some issues similar to ours like being aging congregations and hoping for growth, but finding that to be difficult. A few of the ideas suggested included working together on Vacation Bible School, having a joint Maundy Thursday service again, or having Sundays when we "swap" pastors (pastors from the congregations conduct the service at one of the other churches). We hope that our churches can work together to the benefit of all and find ways to spread the message of God's love.

- Bob Harm

October Calendar

Sunday, October 5	8:30 - Worship - fellowship following
Sunday, October 12	8:30 - Worship - fellowship following
Tuesday, October 14	5:00 - Church Council meeting
Wednesday, October 15	11:30 - Lunch Bunch (at BB Jack's)
Sunday, October 19	8:30 - Worship - fellowship following
Sunday, October 26	8:30 - Worship - fellowship following

Working For Christ in October

Altar Guild: Marie Rasmussen-Hall and Geno Lainberger

Head Usher: Bob Harm and Dale Molnar

10/05/2025

Ushers: Norm Harris and Mark Harris

Reader: Bob Harm

Communion: Paul Anderson

10/12/2025

Ushers: Henry Lipke and Marie Rasmussen-Hall

Reader: Julie Molnar

Communion: Chet Gabris

10/19/2025

Ushers: Chet Gabris and Darryl Horton

Reader: Dennis Stephenson

Communion: Bob Harm

10/26/2025

Ushers: Dennis Stephenson and Bob Harm

Reader: Dennis Stephenson

Communion: Karen Millard

October Birthdays

10/09 > Linda Peterson

10/22 > Mark Harris

Financial Update - As of Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Offerings YTD	=	\$56,588 (Does not include 9/28 offering)
(Expected/Budgeted Offerings YTD	=	\$67,500)
Expenses YTD	=	\$65,536

Prayer Concerns

Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

Rev. Joy Mortensen-Wiebe, Bishop of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin - ELCA

The **Evangelical Lutheran Church of America**

For the **people of United in Christ Lutheran Church**

John Kincaid - brother-in-law of Chet Gabris - at St. Mary's Care Center

Heather Fjelstad-Bunce - niece of Dennis Stephenson - has Leukemia

Dorothy Hasey - at Columbus Health & Rehab

Joanne Quam - continued rehabilitation at home

Geno Lainberger - at Madison Health & Rehab Center

Kathy Olsen - sister-in-law of Dick & Ann Olsen - lung cancer

Rhonda Steinbach - recovering from a broken ankle

September Church Council Meeting Highlights

Paul noted that at this point in the year we have had expenses considerably greater than the amount of offerings received. (Fortunately, we have reserve funds that enable us to cover expenses). Paul continues to work with Ivy on recording the music for upcoming services.

The members of the Council are invited to attend a meeting involving 5 area ELCA congregations whose pastors have been meeting together. The meeting will be September 29th at Christ Lutheran. Marie Leafblad from the Synod staff will be meeting with us.

The Council will be meeting again October 14th at 5:00.



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