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# ***WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN***

*Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.*

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## ***First Lutheran Church***

***Tiffin, Ohio***

***October 20, 2024  
"The 22nd Sunday  
after Pentecost"***

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## ***PRELUDE***

*LYONS*

*O Worship the King*

*David Paxton*

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# THE GREETING

**P:** The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C:** And also with you!

*Please stand.*

## GATHERING SONG

# 825

### YOU SERVANTS OF GOD



1 You ser-vants of God, your Mas-ter pro-claim, and pub-lish a -  
2 As-cend-ed on high, al-might-y to save, yet still he is  
3 Sal-va-tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -  
4 Then let us a-dore and give him his right, all glo-ry and



broad his won-der-ful name; the name, all-vic-to-rious, of  
nigh, his pres-ence we have. The great con-gre-ga-tion his  
loud and hon-or the Son. The prais-es of Je-sus the  
pow'r and wis-dom and might, all hon-or and bless-ing, with



Je-sus ex-tol; his king-dom is glo-rious and rules o-ver all!  
tri-umph shall sing, as-crib-ing sal-va-tion to Je-sus, our king!  
an-gels pro-claim, fall down on their fac-es, and wor-ship the Lamb.  
an-gels a-bove, and thanks nev-er ceas-ing, and in-fin-ite love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: LYONS, attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737–1806

## ***THE OPENING LITANY***

**L:** As a people, as a group, as a community of faith:

**C:** **We gather in this place.**

**L:** To listen.

**C:** **To speak.**

**L:** To worship.

**C:** **To pray.**

**L:** To be with God. Because we know:

**C:** **It is out of God's love, that we live!**

## ***THE HYMN OF PRAISE***



Cantor: Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



ALL: Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.  
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## ***THE PRAYER OF THE DAY***

**P:** Let us pray, Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C:** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

# ***THE CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS***

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another:

*A time of silence and reflection*

P: Gracious God,

**C: Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in the newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

P: May Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

## ***THE PEACE***

L: Sisters and brothers, rejoice! Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace! May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*You are welcome to share the Peace of Christ with those around you as you feel comfortable.*

*Please be seated.*

# ***A READING FROM ISAIAH***

**53:4-12**

R: A reading from Isaiah the 53<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.<sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.<sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.<sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.<sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

R: The Word of the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***READING FROM HEBREWS***

***5:1-10***

R: A reading from Hebrews the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

R: The Word of the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

# ***THE GOSPEL INTRODUCTION***



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.*

## ***THE GOSPEL***

## ***MARK 10:13-16***

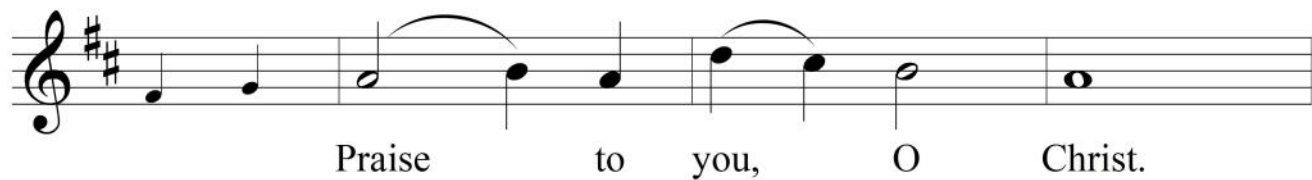


Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

P: <sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.



P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

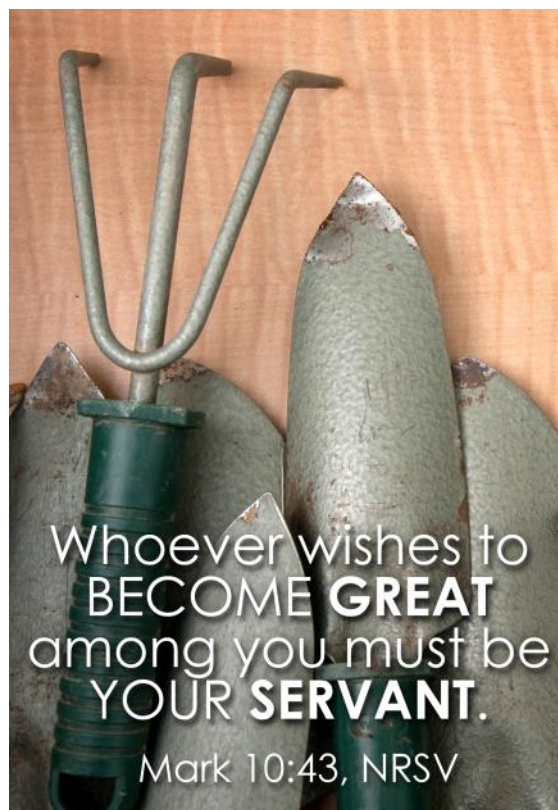


*Please be seated.*

## ***REFLECTION***

*Rev. Larry Michael*

*Please stand.*



# HYMN OF THE DAY

# 676

## LORD, SPEAK TO US, THAT WE MAY SPEAK



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.  
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.  
Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

# ***THE CREED***

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith as expressed  
In the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# ***THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE***

*We respond to each petition.*

L: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer.**

## ***KIND REMINDER***

*As we prepare to take our offering, would you be kind enough to fill out the blue Fellowship Card located in the pew rack? Once completed you can place it in the offering plate. This is a great way to let us know you are here, and to share any prayer concerns with us.*

## ***OFFERING & MEDITATION***

***BRADBURY***

***Marianne Kim***

***Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us***

***Please stand.***

## ***THE PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION***

**L:** Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## ***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING***

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

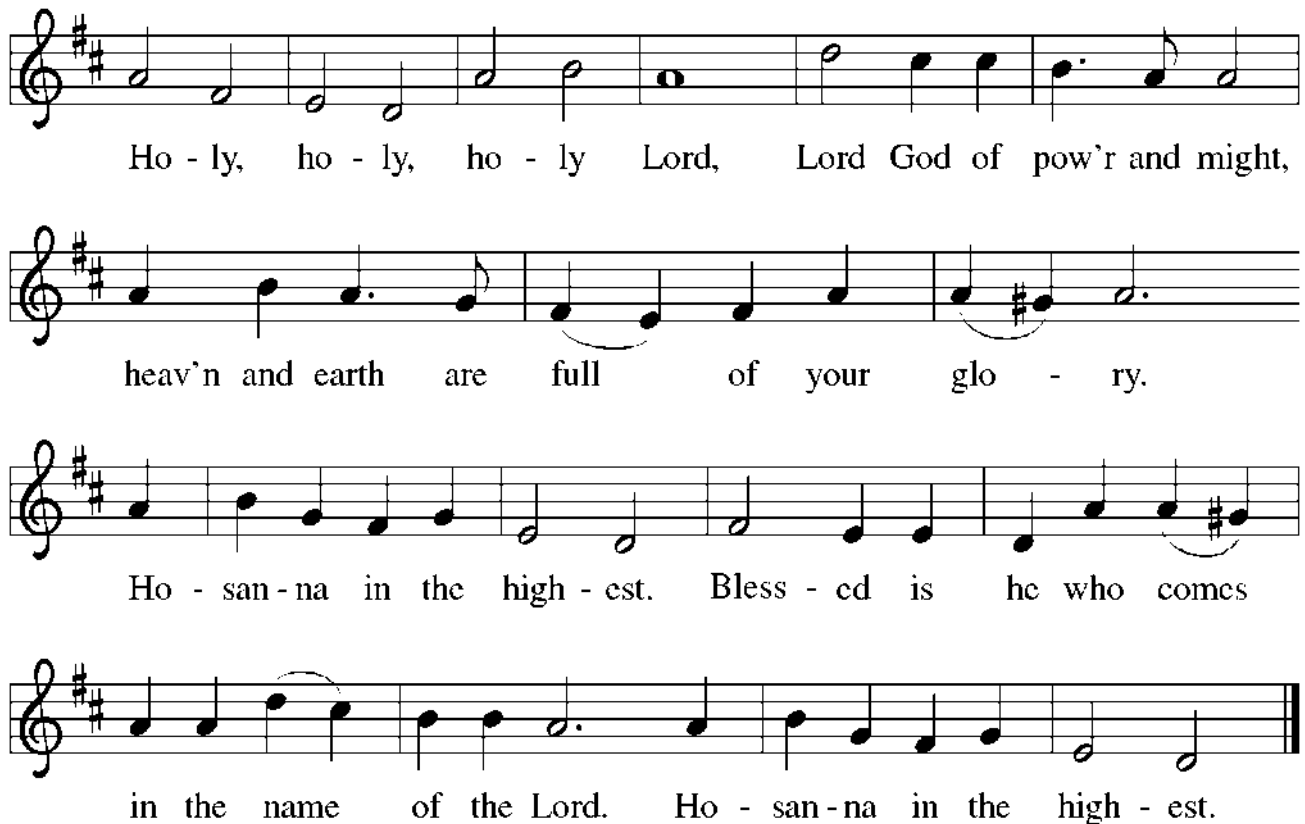
**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise!**

# ***THE PROPER PREFACE***

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## ***SANCTUS***



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## ***THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER***

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In your mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have the gift of eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in this Holy Supper.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## ***LORD'S PRAYER***

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our  
trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# ***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION***

*Communion is distributed in two manners at First Lutheran.*

- You may commune in your pews. Individual communion kits are available at the Narthex Doors. The Presider will share a blessing and all communing in place will commune together.*
- You may come forward, where you will receive the bread from pastor and a small cup of wine from the worship assistant. Cups can be disposed of in a basket located by our projector.*

*All are welcome to the Table of the Lord.*

## ***INVITATION TO COMMUNION***

P: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

## ***AGNUS DEI***



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

# COMMUNION HYMN

# 468

## AROUND YOU, O LORD JESUS



- 1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
- 2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
- 3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath



to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.  
your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.  
we will be true and nev - er—in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my  
It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your  
de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"  
bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.  
dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. composite

Music: O JESU, ÅN DE DINA, H. Thomassön, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569

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*Please stand.*

## ***THE TABLE BLESSING***

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C:** **Amen.**

## ***THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION***

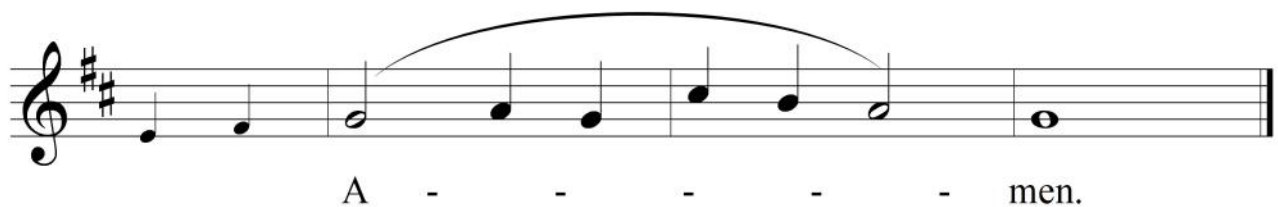
**L:** Let us pray. Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed  
us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and  
to be at peace with one another.

**C:** **Amen.**

## ***THE BLESSING***

**P:** God all mighty, God most merciful bless you, keep you, and give  
you peace.

**C:**



# SENDING SONG

# 789

## SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US



- 1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;  
3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847

Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

# SENDING

L: Go in peace!

P: Follow Jesus!

C: Thanks be to God!

# POSTLUDE

Gilbert M. Martin

## A Festive Trumpet Tune



**The West Ohio Food Bank will  
be here**

**Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>  
Distributing begins at 1p.m.**

If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance please share the invitation to come and let the WOFB help fill their food pantries.

## Halloween Hospitality

It's Fall, which means it's almost time for our Halloween Hospitality tables. Many Trick-or-Treat time, and as always we look forward to welcoming our neighbors at our Halloween Hospitality tables. We'll be serving up donuts, cocoa, cider and candy. You can be part of the fun too, either by signing up to help set up and serve on October 27<sup>th</sup> or by donating a bag of candy/treats. Sign up sheets and donation baskets are located in the Lobby.

**Event: October 27<sup>th</sup>  
5 pm-7 pm**



## Cookies

Cookie Sign up sheets are located on the Dietz Room wall. Fellowship time is before and after Church Service. Approximately 4 dozen cookies are needed each week.



## Parking Lot/Landscape

The handicap parking on the south side of the building has deteriorated making it difficult for members using walkers and wheelchairs to enter the building. We are trying to work on the Landscaping as well.



**Anyone interested in making a donation may contact the office or place it in the offering plate marked PAVEMENT or marked Landscape.**

Thank you for your support!

## American Red Cross

The American Red Cross will be at First Lutheran Church on **Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>** in the Fellowship Hall.  
**12 pm-5 pm**



\*If anyone is interested in donating blood to help save a life,

Please visit the following website:

<http://www.redcrossblood.org/>

## Today's Worship Leaders

**Cantor:** Elijah Shiley  
**Facebook Camera:** Shelley Ross  
**Reader:** Melissa Chester  
**Worship Assistant:** Melissa Chester  
**Host:** Judy Kimmel  
**Slide Show:** Beth Margraf  
**Worship Leader:** Rev. Larry Michael  
**Director of Music:** Curtis L. King

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Many thanks to our faithful volunteers who help bring Sunday Worship Services to you on WTTF, Facebook Live and in person. We are not able to offer all of these opportunities without the help of many people. May your generosity in volunteering time and talents come back to you in an abundance of blessings.

## This Week's Calendar

**Sunday** October 20  
 10:00 am Worship on The 22nd Sunday of Pentecost  
**Monday** October 21  
 1:30 pm Bookworms  
**Thursday** October 24  
 1:30 pm West Ohio Food Bank  
**Next Sunday** October 27  
 10:00 am Worship on The 23rd Sunday of Pentecost Reformation Sunday

## Faith & Family Day

Looking Ahead! Toledo Walleye Faith & Family Day

Sunday, March 9, 2025

We need to reserve a block of tickets for this family event now! Tickets go fast for this event so we need an idea of how many seats to reserve. A final count will be taken in January. Before the hockey game, there will be a pregame Q&A session led by Walleye players and coaches. Fans will have any opportunity to hear about their experiences with their faith throughout their careers. The game will start at 5:15. Postgame will have a free open skate at the Huntington Center in Toledo. Tickets will be \$19 each. Please contact Shelley Ross and let her know how many tickets to reserve for you via email [shelley.ross@syclco.com](mailto:shelley.ross@syclco.com) or



text 419-618-4653.

Thanks!

## *Emergency Contacts*



October 20<sup>th</sup>-October 26<sup>th</sup>

**Pastor Doug Devos  
First Christian**

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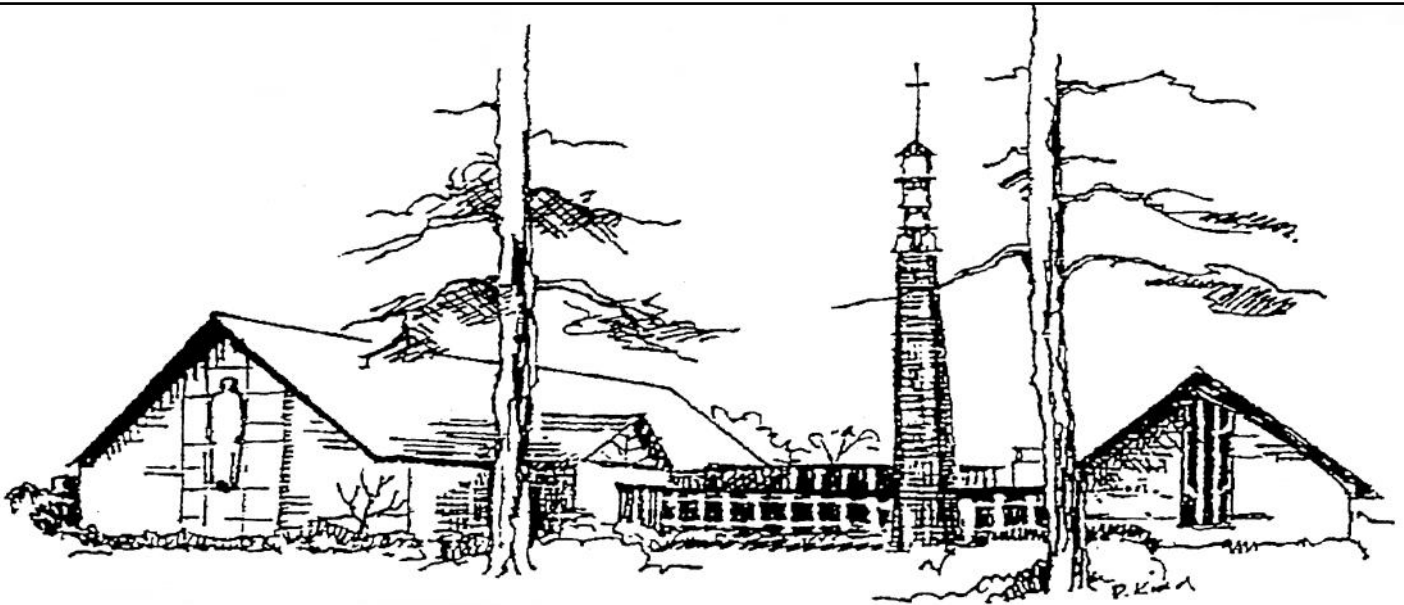
**(419) 939-3503 wife (Linda)**

**Email: [ddevos@buckeye-express.com](mailto:ddevos@buckeye-express.com)**

October 22<sup>th</sup>-October 26<sup>th</sup>

**Pastor Robin Kapostasy  
Hope Lutheran**

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## *Our Mission Statement*

**“God is among us!”  
“We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel,**