



GRACE LUTHERAN
CHURCH • SCHOOL



COLOSSIANS

October 4: "Walking in Christ — A Life with Jesus"

October 11: "Rooted in Christ—Deepening the Foundation"

October 18: "Built Together—Growing as the Body"

October 25: "Established in Faith—Living the New Life"

November 1: "Abounding in Thanksgiving—A Fruitful Future"

LWML WEEKEND

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 - 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 - 10:45 AM

*(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

PRELUDE [5:00] “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” arr. M. Limbaugh

WELCOME

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** “Come Unto Me, Ye Weary” Hymn 684
([10:45] Stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)

***INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Leader: In the name of the Father and the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Paul instructs the believers in Colossae, “Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.” (*Col 3:5*)

People: **“On account of these, the wrath of God is coming.”** (*Col 3:6*)

Pastor: “In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. (*Col 3:7-10*) In a moment of silence let us kneel and privately confess our sins to God.

(Please be seated or kneel, silently confess your sins.)

Pastor: Holy Lord,

People: **sometimes my sinful nature still rises up in me and makes itself known through sinful thoughts, words and actions. I am sorry for these, O Lord, and I sincerely repent of them. I know I deserve Your wrath and punishment, now and forever. For the sake of Jesus and His death on the cross in my place, please forgive me. Empower me by Your Holy Spirit to put on the new self which is being renewed in the image of You, my Creator. Lead me to walk in Your ways, be rooted in Your will and built up for Your purposes. Amen.**

Pastor: Friends in Christ, “In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with Him in baptism,

in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised Him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross.” (Col 2:13-14)

People: **Amen. “He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” (Col. 1:13-14)**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “All Glory Be to God Alone” (vv. 1-2, 5)

Hymn 948

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Dear Heavenly Father,

People: **In fervent gratitude for the Savior’s dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.** © 1955 LWML authored by Rev. Harry Fricke

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 119:105-112

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ¹⁰⁶I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to keep your righteous rules. ¹⁰⁷I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word! ¹⁰⁸Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your rules. ¹⁰⁹I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law. ¹¹⁰The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts. ¹¹¹Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart. ¹¹²I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Colossians 2:6-7

⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 11:25-30

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

***SERMON HYMN**

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Hymn 411

THE SERMON

"Walking in Christ— a Life with Jesus"

Colossians 2:6-7

***CREED HYMN**

"We All Believe in One True God"

Hymn 953

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

***PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

*PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

*AGNUS DEI

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”
“Rise, Shine, You People”

Hymn 683
Hymn 825

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND CONSECRATION FOR THE LORD’S WORK

***THE BENEDICTION** (*Colossians 3:15-17*)

Pastor: "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

People: **And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name ☩ of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."**
Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

"Walking, Rooted, Built Up"
(Tune: O Morning Star, LSB 395)

Thomas Schulteis

**Walking, rooted, built up in Christ:
We give Him glory, thanks and praise
For His abundant mercy.
God, Creator, who made all things,
He sent His Son, redeeming us
From death to life eternal.
Thank Him! Praise Him!
For creating And sustaining Faith within us;
Lord, we give You all the glory!**

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE [5:00]

"Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren"

J. G. Walter

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

Preacher	The Rev. Steven M. Braun
Organist	Wynn Bonner
Communion Deacons	Jane Petersen, Jackie Stine
Lector	Jan Struck
Usher/Greeter Team	Connie March, Jennifer March Carol Smith

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

Preacher/Celebrant	The Rev. Steven M. Braun
Liturgist	Vicar Harrison Hulse
Organist	Thomas Schulteis
Sound Technician	Rodney Steffen
Elder on Duty	Janet Hostler
Communion Deacons	Krista Bernthal, Aleah Hearn, Janet Hostler, Jennifer Smith
Lectors	Kathy Thee, Linda Aceto
Crucifer	Max Ladner
Acolytes	Lexie Ladner, Sylvia Ullrich
Greeter	Marlene Stein
Ushers	Janice Graydon, Renée Kosel, Rachel Nicholson, Sharon Ross, Kathy Stevens

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