

Sunday, May 10, 2026

The Weekly Calendar

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10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship Service

6:00 p.m. – Evening Worship Service

Monday, May 11, 2026

6:30 p.m. – Elders Meeting

7:30 p.m. – Council Meeting

Offering:

May 10: AM, Classical Ministry Shares

PM, Samaritans Purse

May 17: AM, Denominational Shares

PM, World Renew

Music:

May 10: AM, Lisa D. PM, Tricia B.

Song Leader, Al K.

May 17: Donna O. Song Leader, Dave D.

Greeters:

May 10: Brian C., Al & Janna K.

May 17: Lou & Gloria K., Zach & Cheriden E.

Sound: Dave

WELCOME

A warm welcome is extended to all who enter this place to worship the King of kings and Lord of lords. A special welcome to all visitors, may God bless you as you spend time worshipping with us today.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Thank you so much to all who sent beautiful cards and flowers for my birthday. I truly enjoyed and appreciated them all so very much! ~ Sincerely, Gert Kruid

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will be celebrating the Ascension of Jesus Christ on May 17.

The next “Open and Unafraid” session is Wednesday, May 13 at 6:30.

Our church has the opportunity to lead a worship service at Hillcrest on Sunday, May 17 at 2 PM. A sign-up sheet is on a table in the fellowship hall for anyone interested in attending.

Advance date: A combined service will be held at our church with Ireton CRC and Lebanon CRC on Sunday, May 24, in our morning service. A meal will follow.

The GEMS are selling dishcloths for a fundraiser. They are 3 for \$10. If you would like to purchase some please talk to a GEMS leader.

Graduation 2026 at Unity Christian High School will be held on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Knight Center. The ceremony will be streamed on our YouTube channel.

You are invited to the Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast on Monday, May 25, serving from 7:00 - 10:00 AM at the Ireton Ballpark Shelter House. Serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, milk, juice and coffee. Free will donation for Ireton CRC Missions Team.

Groundwork: God Creates - The theme of creation echoes throughout the Bible. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Genesis 1, Revelation 21:22-24, Psalm 139:13-14, Hebrews

1:1-3, and Colossians 1:15-17. Listen at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Morning Worship Service—10:00 a.m.

“This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.” ~ Psalm 118:24

We Rejoice in God’s Presence

Prelude

* Call to Worship - Psalm 66

* God’s Greeting

* We Greet Each Other

* Hymn of Praise: (LUYH #492) PH #246 *“Come, Thou Almighty King”* (vs. 1-4)

Confession of Faith - Article 5 Perseverance of the Saints

Scripture testifies that believers have to contend in this life with various doubts of the flesh, and that under severe temptation they do not always experience this full assurance of faith and certainty of perseverance. But God, the Father of all comfort, “does not let them be tempted beyond what they can bear, but with the temptation he also provides a way out” ([1 Cor. 10:13](#)),

All: And by the Holy Spirit revives in them the assurance of their perseverance.

This assurance of perseverance, however, so far from making true believers proud and carnally self-assured, is rather the true root of humility, of childlike respect, of genuine godliness, of endurance in every conflict, of fervent prayers, of steadfastness in cross bearing and in confessing the truth, and of well-founded joy in God.

All: Reflecting on this benefit provides an incentive to a serious and continual practice of thanksgiving and good works, as is evident from the testimonies of Scripture and the examples of the saints.

Neither does the renewed confidence of perseverance produce immorality or lack of concern for godliness in those put back on their feet after a fall, but it produces a much greater concern to

observe carefully the ways which the Lord prepared in advance. They observe these ways in order that by walking in them they may maintain the assurance of their perseverance, lest, by their abuse of God's fatherly goodness, the face of the gracious God (for the godly, looking upon that face is sweeter than life, but its withdrawal is more bitter than death) turn away from them again.

All: With the result that they fall into greater anguish of spirit.

And, just as it has pleased God to begin this work of grace in us by the proclamation of the gospel, so God preserves, continues, and completes this work by the hearing and reading of the gospel, by meditation on it, by its exhortations, threats, and promises

All: And also by the use of the sacraments.

This teaching about the perseverance of true believers and saints, and about their assurance of it—a teaching which God has very richly revealed in the Word for the glory of his name and for the comfort of the godly, and which God impresses on the hearts of believers—is something which the flesh does not understand, Satan hates, the world ridicules, the ignorant and the hypocrites abuse, and the spirits of error attack. The bride of Christ, on the other hand, has always loved this teaching very tenderly and defended it steadfastly as a priceless treasure; and God, against whom no plan can avail and no strength can prevail, will ensure that the church will continue to do this.

All: To this God alone, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

We Are Reconciled to God

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Thanksgiving: (LUYH #553) PH #483 "*How Great Thou Art*" (vs. 1-4)

We Respond with Gratitude

Offering: Classical Ministry Shares (collected in the back)

Guide for Grateful Living – **The Law** (pg. 1015)

Congregational Prayer

We Hear the Word of God

*Hymn of Preparation: (LUYH #370) *“My Soul Finds Rest”* (vs. 1-3)

1 My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation; a fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken. Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me, I'll fix my heart on righteousness; I'll look to him who hears me.

Refrain O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward; everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

2 Find rest, my soul, in God alone amid the world's temptations; when evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation. Though riches come and riches go, don't set your heart upon them; the fields of hope in which I sow are harvested in heaven. (Refrain)

3 I'll set my gaze on God alone and trust in him completely; with every day pour out my soul, and he will prove his mercy. Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh too brief to measure, my King has crushed the curse of death, and I am his forever. (Refrain)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Revelation 9

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *“God's Good Judgement”*

Prayer

*Hymn of Application: (LUYH #432) PH #46 *“God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength”* (vs. 1, 4, 5)

We Go Out to Serve

* God's Benediction

* Doxology: (LUYH #482) *“Soon and Very Soon”* (vs. 1-3)

1 Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King! Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King! Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

2 No more crying there— we are going to see the King! No more crying there— we are going to see the King! No more crying there— we are going to see the King! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

3 No more dying there— we are going to see the King! No more dying there— we are going to see the King! No more dying there— we are going to see the King! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Postlude

Evening Worship Service – 6:00 p.m.

“This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.” ~ Psalm 118:24

Come, Let Us Worship

Prelude

* Call to Worship

God of grace, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven, even as we gather before your face, may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

By the power of your Spirit, help us to lift up our hearts in praise to receive your lavish gifts stored up for us in Christ, and to live as your faithful children and witnesses, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

Song Service led by Al K.

In Prayer and Dedication

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Samaritans Purse (collected in the back)

At God's Feet

* Hymn of Preparation: (LUYH #844) PH #309 (vs. 1-5)

“Lift Up Your Hearts unto the Lord”

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: I Thessalonians 4

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *“Victory”*

Prayer

* Hymn of Application: PH #479 *“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”* (vs. 1-3)

With Heartfelt Dedication

* Heidelberg Catechism **Lord’s Day 19**

Q & A 50 Why the next words: “and is seated at the right hand of God”?

A. Because Christ ascended to heaven to show there that he is head of his church, the one through whom the Father rules all things.

Q & A 51 How does this glory of Christ our head benefit us?

A. First, through his Holy Spirit he pours out gifts from heaven upon us his members. Second, by his power he defends us and keeps us safe from all enemies.

Q & A 52 How does Christ’s return “to judge the living and the dead” comfort you?

A. In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

* God’s Benediction

* Doxology: (LUYH #394) PH #441 (vs. 1-4)

“All Praise to You, My God, This Night”

Postlude