

Welcome to Worship!



Reformation Sunday
October 26, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

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THE SERVICE

BOLD lettering indicates a spoken response

* Please stand as you are able

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

* Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

* I will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord CCLI 1763436

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for - ev - er, I will sing, I will sing. I will sing of the mer - cies of the Lord for - ev - er, I will sing of the mer - cies of the Lord. With my mouth will I make known thy faith - ful - ness, thy faith - ful - ness. With my mouth will I make known thy faith - ful - ness to all gen - er - a - tions." The score includes a "Fine" marking at the end of the second line and "D.C. al fine" at the end of the fifth line.

*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.

P: God is our light and our salvation,

C: our refuge and our stronghold.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: we praise your name, O God.

P: For with you is the fountain of life,

C: and in your light we see light.

* Opening Song – How Majestic is Your Name CCLI 1763436

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a treble clef. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, often beamed together. Chords are indicated above the staff. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

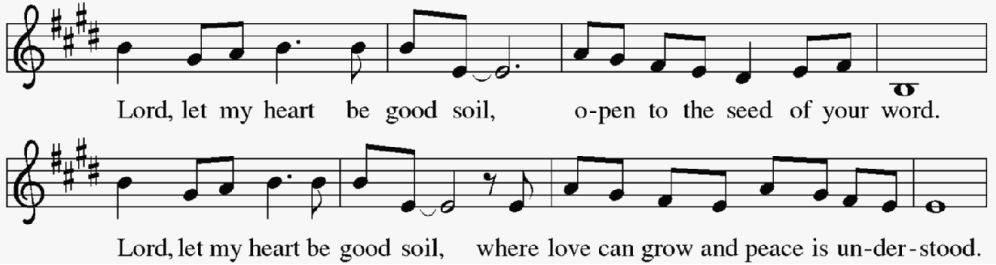
O Lord, our Lord, how ma - jes - tic is your
 name in all the earth! O Lord, our Lord, how ma -
 jes - tic is your name in all the earth! O
 Lord, we praise your name. O Lord,
 we mag - ni - fy your name, Prince of Peace, might - y
 God, O Lord God Al - might - y.

* Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Bible p. #642

The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

A: The First Lesson is from the 31st chapter of Jeremiah.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Paul's words stand at the heart of Reformation preaching. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

A: The Second Lesson is from the 3rd Chapter of Romans:

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

***Gospel: John 8:31-36**

Bible p. #871

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th Chapter.



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

~ Pastor Amy

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* Song – Only by Grace

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On-ly by grace can we en - ter, on - ly by grace can we stand;
not by our hu - man en - deav - or,
but by the blood of the Lamb. In - to your pres - ence you call
us, you call us to come.
In - to your pres - ence you draw us, and now by your grace we come,
now by your grace we come. *Fine*
Lord, if you mark our trans - gres - sions, who would
stand? Thanks to your grace we are cleansed
by the blood of the Lamb. *D.C. al fine*

* Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

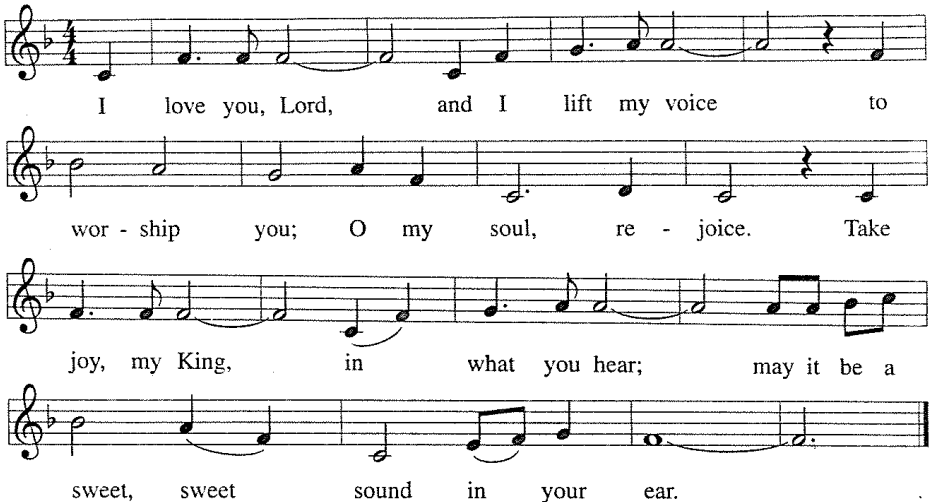
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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.**

* Prayers

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.



I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to
wor-ship you; O my soul, re-joice. Take
joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a
sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

The Pastor will offer prayers for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and special concerns.

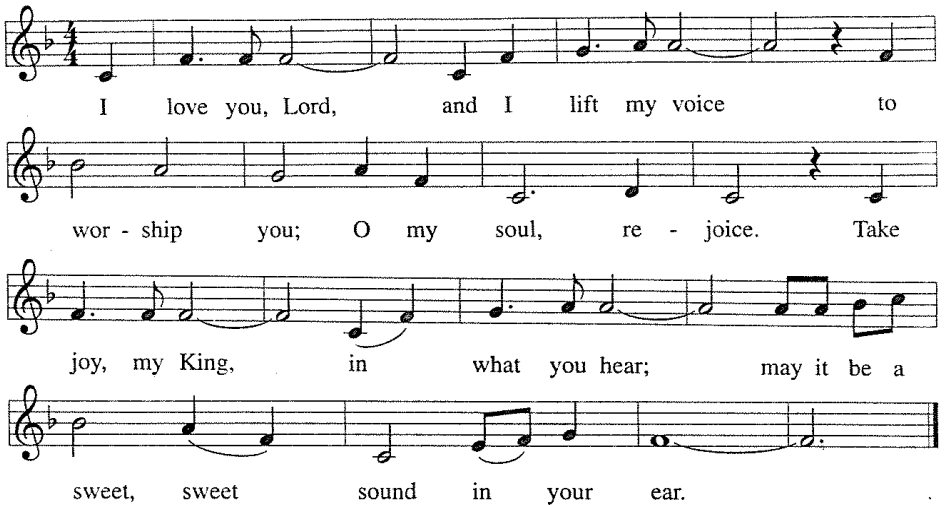
Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P: . . . Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

P: +Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen



I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to
wor - ship you; O my soul, re - joice. Take
joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a
sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

*** Sharing of God's Peace**

We follow Jesus' direction in Matthew chapter 5 and make peace with each other before coming to the altar: Jesus said, "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift."

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

C: And also with you.

*The ministers and congregation greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

Offering

Anthem: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

~Contemporary Team & some Traditional Choir Members~

* Offertory – As the Grains of Wheat

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As the grains of wheat once scat - tered on the hill were
gath - ered in - to one, were gath - ered in - to one to be -
come our bread; so may all your peo - ple from the
ends of the earth be gath - ered in - to one in you.

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics written below the notes. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, and so on. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

* Offertory Prayer

P: God, our Creator,

C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

* Communion Prayer

P: Come, all you beloved of the Lord, come and eat the food that He gives freely. Be filled again with the goodness of God.

C: Lord God, giver of all good things, we hear Your invitation, we see Your gifts of life and grace.

P: Come to the table of the Lord.

C: We come with our wounds and faults ready to eat and to drink. Our hearts are glad.

* Words of Institution

P: Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts are truly glad. We are filled with thankfulness, because in Your great love You did not abandon us to sin and death, but in Jesus, You came to us, to rescue us, to restore us, and to give us new life.

We remember the way that Jesus showed us this love:
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.

* The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen


* Invitation to Communion

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.

* One bread, one body

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One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

The Meal (*Please be seated*)

*Our Lord Jesus is the host at this supper. It is for all who wish to experience the forgiveness Jesus offers. Therefore, Jesus invites all of us to receive Him in this meal. *For those at home or taking communion at their seat, please receive the bread and wine as the pastor speaks the words:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
The communicant may say: "Amen."

If you desire to receive communion up front, please come forward via the center aisle. As the pastor and communion assistant give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
The communicant may say: "Amen."

MUSIC AS WE SHARE COMMUNION

Spirit of the Living God

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F Gm⁷/B^b D/A Gm F/C C⁷ F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The bass staff provides harmonic support with chords and bass notes. Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff.

F Gm⁷/B^b D/A Gm F/C C⁷ F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

The second system continues the musical notation from the first system, maintaining the same structure and chord symbols.

B^b F G⁷ C F/C C⁷

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

The third system introduces a new set of chords: B^b, F, G⁷, C, F/C, and C⁷. The vocal line includes the lyrics 'Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.' The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic and harmonic patterns.

F Gm⁷/B^b D/A Gm F/C C⁷ F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

The fourth system returns to the initial chord progression: F, Gm⁷/B^b, D/A, Gm, F/C, C⁷, and F. The vocal line repeats the lyrics 'Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.' The piano accompaniment concludes the piece with a final chord.

Amazing Love

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C Dm7 Gsus G

1 My Lord, what love is this that pays so
 2 And so they watched him die, de - spised, re -
 3 And now this love of Christ shall flow like

Csus C G C Dm7 F/G G C

dear - ly, that I, the guilt - y one, may go free?
 ject - ed; but, oh, the blood he shed flowed for me.
 riv - ers; come, wash your guilt a - way, live a - gain.

Refrain Gm7 C Eb

A - maz - ing love, oh, what sac - ri - fice, the Son of God giv'n for

G Gm7 C

me; my debt he pays and my death he dies, that

Gm7 C Gm7 C

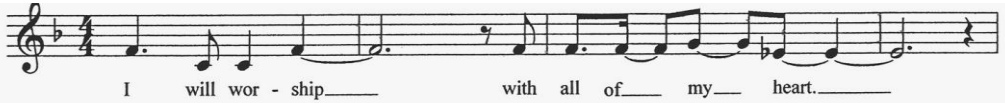
I might live, that I might live.

* Post Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen

* Post Communion Canticle – You're Worthy of My Praise CCLI 1763436



I will wor - ship_____ with all of___ my___ heart._____



I will praise You_____ with all of___ my strength.



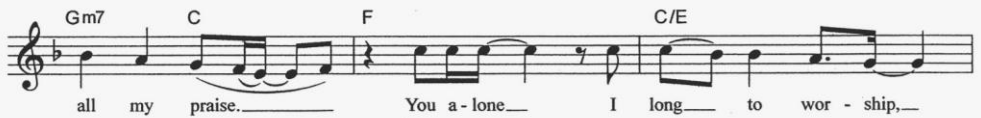
I will seek You_____ all of___ my___ days.



I will fol - low_____ all of___ Your ways.



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I will give___ You all my wor - ship___ I will give___ You



all my praise._____ You a-lone___ I long___ to wor - ship,___



You a-lone_____ are wor - thy. of___ my praise._____

* **Prayer:** P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen**

SENDING

* **Blessing:** P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen**

* **Closing Song– The Church Song**

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Refrain



We are the church, the bo - dy of our Lord;



we are all God's chil - dren. We have been re - stored.



1 The church is not a build - ing



2 You can go to wor - ship



3 The church is not a busi - ness,



4 The church, it is the peo - ple



where peo - ple go to pray;



but you can - not go to church;



a com - mit - tee or a board;



liv - ing out their lives,



it's not made out of sticks and stones,



you can't find a build - ing that's a - live



it's not a cor - por - a - tion for



called, en - light - ened, sanc - ti - fied

Refrain



it's not made out of clay.



no mat - ter how you search.



the busi - ness of the Lord.

for the work of Je - sus Christ.

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments
in the fellowship hall following worship.

+ Calendar for this Week +

Mon-Oct 27: 9:00a-Quilters

Tue-Oct 28: 2:00p-Afternoon Bible Study

5:30p-Council Meeting

6:00p-Contemporary Team Instrumental/Vocal 6:30

Thu-Oct 30: 6:30p-Traditional Choir Practice

7:00p-Evening Bible Study

Next Sunday's Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

Worship Attendance last week: 8:30a-52; 9:45a-80; 11:00a-30

+ Upcoming Events & Monthly Ministries +

* 😊 **NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY:** Thanks to everyone who joined the directory photo sessions! We can't wait to see all your smiling faces in the new directory. Missed your session? No worries — you can still submit your own photo! For details, just reach out to Debbie, Joyce, or Linda.

* 🚌 **NOAH Bus Trip:** 💰 **Payment is due by Nov 7.** 🙌 Haven't signed up yet - 📞 Contact Abbey to be added to the standby waitlist!

* ✅ **TODAY, 9:45a—** 🏠 **Sunday School** 🖍️: Children ages 3 through 5th grade and youth helpers will gather in the fellowship hall, one room schoolhouse style. (November 2 family worship in the sanctuary.)

* ✅ **TODAY—** 😊 **SR HIGH BRUNCH:** Join us after the 9:45 service for food and fun with friends!

* **OCT 30, 7p to 8p—** 📖 **New Evening Bible Study Group:** meets in the Fellowship Hall every other Thursday led by Nate Weber. All are welcome!

***NOV 9- ⌚ Youthquake 2026 Early Bird Alert!:** Don't miss out! Nov 9 is the early bird deadline to register for Youthquake 2026! 📄 Check the bulletin board across from the sign-up sheets for details, or 🗨️ chat with Pastor Amy for more info!

***NOV 14-15, 7p to 3:00p—🍁🏰🏠 Youth & Confirmation Fall Lock-in.** 📄 **Sign-Up Sheet in Narthex.** 🕒 Coming up: Next Confirmation Night – DEC 7, 6:00–7:30 PM

***Available in Narthex! *Pentecost Season Devotions: “Reading through Genesis, Part 3:** Genesis 37-50, God & Joseph.” Hard copies are in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website. Let's open our Bibles and read God's word together!

***October Mission of the Month: NALC Disaster Response:** This month, our NALC Mission District holds its annual convocation, collecting in-kind and monetary gifts for NALC Disaster Response. To support this, our October Mission of the Month is the NALC Disaster Response Fund. Donations help cover the cost of delivering supplies to disaster areas. As their website says: “Disaster response begins long before the storm—and continues long after the headlines fade.” To contribute, use a pew envelope marked “NALC Disaster Response” on the “other” line. Make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church.

***October Food Pantry Items:** Canned Pumpkin and/or 2# Bag Flour

♥️ *The flowers in the chancel vases today are presented to the Glory of the Lord and in loving memory of Jenny Cloak by Art and Amy Keller.* ♥️

☀️ **Thank you for serving today** ☀️

Ushers: Dustin & Calix Myers

Lector: Tracy Gibson

Communion Assistants: Tracy Gibson & Jessica Deasey

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER ~ October 26, 2025

Shut-in & Nursing Home Members & Friends:

Linda Berry ~ Paul Bojalad ~ Edie Brown ~ Karen Deasey ~ Gary Froelich ~ Jeannine Fye ~ Nora Gelnett ~ Mary Jo Gomes ~ George Kramer Sr. ~ Hazel Kriner ~ Jim Norwood ~ Geneva Roberts ~ Hazel Salada ~ Gary Salada ~ Emily Schindley ~ Betty Swanson ~ Shirley Williams

Those Serving in the Military:

Davey Aughenbaugh ~ Luke Cardellino ~ Cory Good ~ Lyndsey Good ~ Abby Fritz ~ Josh Lanzoni ~ Tyler Lenkerd ~ Paul McCurdy ~ Justin Neeper ~ Mike O'Harrow ~ Wesley Russell ~ Colton Shields ~ Jacey Wells ~ Chuckie White

Long Term Prayer Requests:

Abby ~ Ron Abrams ~ Carla Adamson ~ Drew Albert ~ Chuck Allen ~ Patti Allen ~ Debbie Anderson ~ Tia Angeletti ~ Jim August ~ Austin Family ~ Stephanie Barnett ~ Julie Baun ~ Dona Bean ~ Sandy Bender ~ Pat Biss ~ Larry Bosco ~ Bryson ~ Little Eleanor Bundy ~ Ray Bush ~ CinDee Byer ~ Gary Campbell ~ Deb Clark ~ Louise Cramer ~ Bill Deitman ~ Carol DeLarme ~ Rick Delp ~ Jack Dennison ~ Cheryl DeSantis ~ Brad Dodd ~ Candy Douthit ~ Patrick Drodody ~ Jamie Dungey ~ Mia Edwards ~ Emily ~ Ruben Ellis ~ Krista Evans ~ Denise Faulkrod ~ Tim Fuller ~ Lee Gelnett ~ Leah Gelnett ~ Beth Giese ~ Bryson Gray ~ Greg & Family ~ Arnold Gregory ~ Jim Haag ~ Pat Hamlin ~ Dennis Harris ~ Jackie & Bill Hartman ~ Eric Hazuda ~ Brenda Hickman ~ Larry Hickman ~ Bruce Hiles ~ Nancy Hoover ~ Little Carter Horn ~ Gabby Horner ~ Dick & Bev Hudson ~ Vicki Jacklin ~ Lincoln Johnston ~ Cheryl Jones ~ Baby Ben K. ~ Lorraine Kakula ~ Jim Kearney ~ Tish Keen ~ Eli Keim ~ Dave Kness ~ Richard Kolcun ~ Jim Kriner ~ Carol Lawson ~ Cindy & Tom Leete ~ Doug Leidl ~ David Leonard ~ Anne Lettrich ~ Rick Lieber ~ Nancy Lilja ~ Brandon Lokesak ~ Mark M. ~ Karen Markievich ~ Mark Markievich ~ Emily Marshall ~ Marti ~ Mason Martin ~ Barbara Martini ~ Terie McBride ~ Rebecca McCartney ~ Keymo McKay ~ Shea McKinney ~ Walt Michalak ~ Bob Mickey ~ Bob Moline ~ Steve Moore ~ Brenda & Brett Mortimer ~ Gail Nissley ~ Debbie Newell ~ Joy Norwood ~ Mary & Christian Olrich ~ Joyce Opper ~ Karen Ordog ~ Francie Page ~ Stacy Park ~ Linda Peterson ~ Barb Phleger ~ Mary Ann Piccirillo ~ Kristin Plotner ~ Morgan Pope ~ Mike Poulliot ~ Deb & Bill Presnar ~ Liz Preston ~ Nancy R. ~ Cal Ratcliff ~ Scott Reinard ~ Heidi Riley & Family ~ Elaine Russel ~ Marie Russell ~ Brianne Sage ~ Sara ~ Joe Shaffer ~ Molly Shaffer ~ Ann Simbeck ~ Greg Smeal ~ Terri Smouse ~ Ellen Sneddon ~ Tim Spencer ~ Little Faith Spicher ~ Little Levi Spickler ~ Karen Sprague ~ Ruth Sutphin ~ Dathan Swanson ~ Steven Sykes ~ Pat Teats ~ Diane Thomson ~ Karen Tobasco ~ Vickie Trisoline ~ Evelyn Vandervort ~ Eric Waldeck ~ Mary Lou Waldeck ~ Dr. Rod Wall ~ Jean Waltenbaugh ~ Gail Walter ~ Wanda Ward ~ Laura Wascovich ~ Melissa Wayne ~ Chloe Welder ~ Donald Wells ~ Shirley Wells ~ Joyce Whaling ~ Tammy Winters ~ Art Whitmore ~ Will ~ Becky Yasick ~ Nora Yasick ~ Charles Yonushonis ~ Jerry Zimmerman

Short Term (Four Week) Prayer Requests:

Ralph Roberts, Marie Russell

To add or remove from this list, call the church office at 814-371-2470.