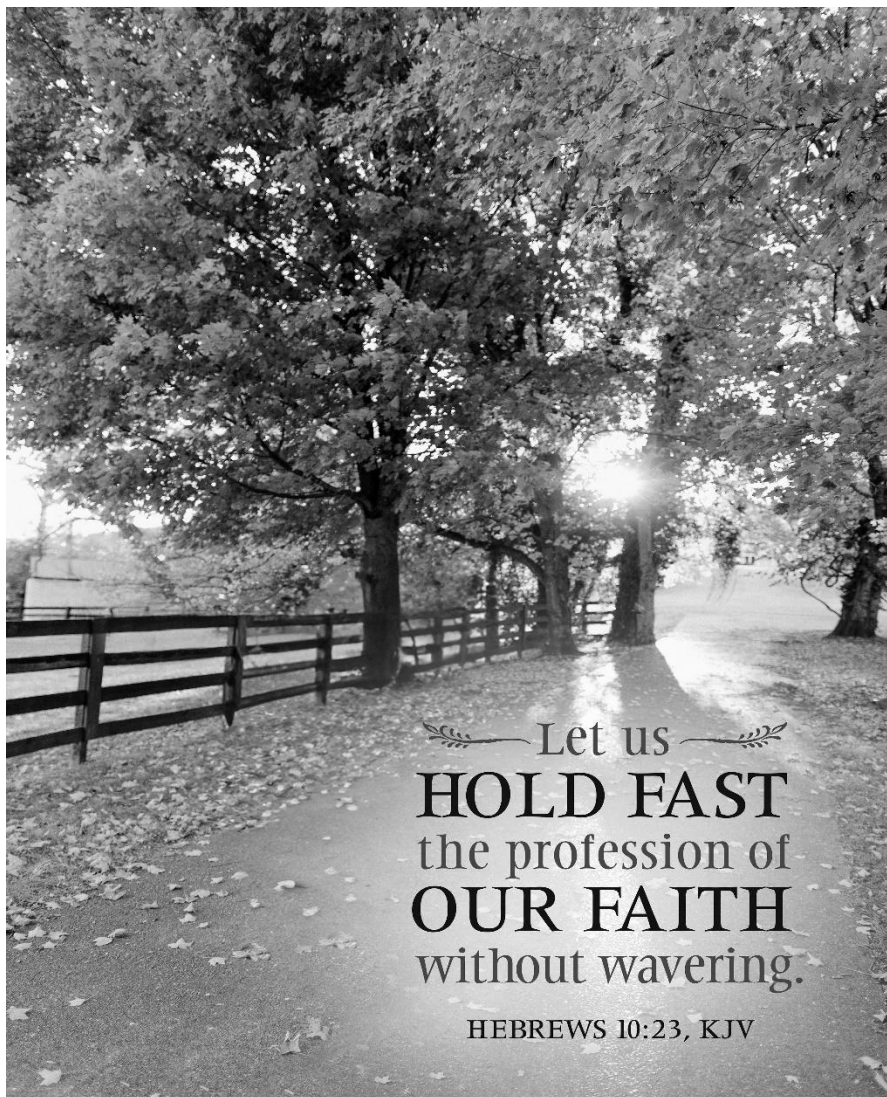




— Let us —
HOLD FAST
the profession of
OUR FAITH
without wavering.

HEBREWS 10:23, KJV

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 17, 2025

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OUR PURPOSE FOR EXISTENCE: "To lead those whom the Lord leads to us to a personal relationship with Christ and to growth in Christlikeness."

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY:

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (HC)
Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall after Worship
Timber Rattler's Game in Oshkosh

Tuesday

Second Time Around

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Bible Study at Zion

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Bible Study at Calvary

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall after Worship

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ORGANIST: Laurie Siegmund

ELDERS: Larry Barzyk, Bob Foster and Jim Manthei

PRAYER CHAIN: We are a part of Calvary's extended family who want to give support in prayer to those who are ill, hospitalized, or in need. Please call Sherry at (920) 807- 9336.

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AS WE GATHER: The verbal command “Hold on!” is one that gets our immediate attention. We know instinctively that holding on will keep us safe or secure in some way as we journey through life. The pages of Scriptures call us to “hold on” to some very special things. In the letter to the Hebrews, the writer enjoins us: “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering” (Hebrews 10:23). Paul directs his coworker, Timothy, (and all of us) to “Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called” (1 Timothy 6:12) and encourages him to be “holding faith and a good conscience” (1 Timothy 1:19). Our worship together gives us the opportunity to hold on not only to our Lord Jesus Christ but also to one another as we journey on together.

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Please fill in the worship registration cards found in the pews and pass them to the center aisle. Our ushers will pick them up during the sermon hymn. Thank you!
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PRESERVICE MUSIC / WORSHIP PREPARATION

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / SHARING OF THE PEACE

PREPARATION

HYMN: “I WALK IN DANGER ALL THE WAY” LSB #716 (sts. 1-2, 5)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM 119:81-85

P My soul longs for your salvation; I hope in your word.

C My eyes long for your promise; I ask, “When will you comfort me?”

P For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke, yet I have not forgotten your statutes.

C How long must your servant endure? When will you judge those who persecute me?

P The insolent have dug pitfalls for me; they do not live according to your law.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

P O Christ,

C have mercy.

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

HYMN:

"WE PRAISE YOU AND ACKNOWLEDGE YOU, O GOD"

LSB # 941

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

- *Indicates the Sermon Text*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 23:16–29

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'" ¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the

wicked. ²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. ²³“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:17–12:3

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, “Through

Isaac shall your offspring be named.”¹⁹ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.²⁰ By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau.²¹ By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff.²² By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict.²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter,²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.²⁸ By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.²⁹ By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned.³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.³² And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.³⁵ Women received back their dead by

resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. ¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

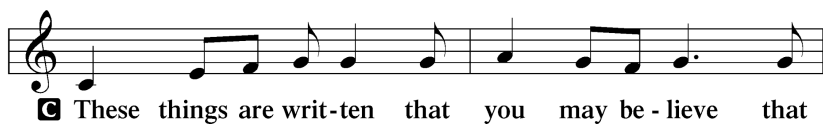
L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE





HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁹[Jesus said:] “I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, ‘A shower is coming.’ And so it

happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES’ CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life T everlasting. Amen.

Sit

HYMN: “THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION” LSB #644
(sts. 1–5)

SERMON

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the spirit of Jeremiah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, that in days of division our hearts would be strengthened to confess in word and deed the glory of God's name, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this congregation and our life together around the Word and table of the Lord, for the work of God that goes forth from this place, and for the Lord to bless and prosper all things according to His will, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who have wandered from the faith, for those who have been absent from the Lord's house, for those we have hurt or wounded in word or deed, and for the reconciliation of all by the forgiveness of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For young Christians, that just as the Lord called Jeremiah as a youth and used him in His service, they would be strengthened by God's Word for daily life and growth as His people; and for all youth in God's care, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For devout and faithful rulers to promote peace and quietness among us for the flourishing of every godly endeavor, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick, [especially _____,] that God would grant healing to their bodies, strength to the weak, endurance to bear up under trial, patience to await His deliverance, and peace at the last, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those who come to the Lord's table this day, that the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ would sanctify and keep them by His Word and Holy Spirit, so that they would receive the body and blood of His Son in sincere repentance and firm faith and to their abundant blessing, bringing forth the fruits thereof in peace and joy, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Almighty Father, Your dear Son suffered and died for our redemption. Embolden us by the witness of that great company of saints who remained faithful unto death, that we would likewise fix our eyes on Christ and so share in His victory over the grave; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

GENEROSITY THOUGHT

P *Luke 12:51 – “Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.”* Jesus has come to divide us out of the world — to carve out a people for Himself, redeemed by His blood and trusting His Word. The world hates this Word, but for us it is life and salvation. We seek to follow Jesus’ Word in all things because we know Him who gave us the Word: we know He always seeks to bless us.

OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand

PREFACE

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 Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally.

Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB #208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P 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. 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

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P 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 T 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 T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB # 210

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

“WE ARE CALLED TO STAND TOGETHER”

LSB

#828

“OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS”

LSB

#707

Stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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 T give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN: “LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME” LSB # 722

GOD’S POWER AMONG US:

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 39

Thursday Bible Study : 9:30 a.m.- 11

THOSE SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY:

GREETERS: 10:00 a.m.: Pete & Lori Badtke Family

NEXT WEEK GREETERS: 10:00 a.m.: Jim & Bonnie Manthei

USHERS: TEAM #3: Carlin Richter, Kendra Richter,
 Keira Richter, Steve Jones, Bill Jones,
 Brian Jones, Kasie Badtke, Sarah Badtke,
 Pete Badtke, capt.

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FINANCIAL FIGURES FROM LAST WEEK: \$ 2286.03 Including
VANCO (General Fund); \$300 (Thrivent Choice)

AX THROWING FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITY: We will do Axe
Throwing on September 21, 2025 in Oshkosh at Blades and
Boards. Fellowship will cover \$5.00 of the cost per member and
have a light lunch after Calvary’s 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
before carpooling to Oshkosh. Sign up on bulletin board in the
Narthex.

LWML SWD FALL RETREAT: Is coming up quickly. It will be held
on September 26-27 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton
MKE/Brookfield. Deadline for registration is September 13, 2025
The cost for the retreat is \$80 which includes Saturday lunch.
There are scholarship available. Application forms can be found
on the bulletin board in the Narthex. See sign on bulletin board
and back of August calendar for information on Hotel registration.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS: All current Sunday School teachers and those interested in teaching Sunday School , please attend the meeting on August 24th after the worship service.

SENIOR MEAL: Will be held on September 18. The meal will begin at 11:30 a.m. Menu this year will be Baked Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Fruit Salad and Dessert. This is a FREE meal. It is sponsored by a Thrivent Action Grant. Please sign up to attend and help is needed. Please check the bulletin board in narthex.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS: Mark your calendars! Sunday School classes will begin again on September 7. We offer Sunday School for children in Preschool through 6th grade and Adult Bible Class for all on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. (1st/3rd/5th Thursday) and Zion's Bible Class is every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 7: Sunday School Begins

September 10: Board Chair Budgets due

September 18: Senior Meal at Calvary

September 30: Board Chair people Annual Reports Due

October 1: Women's Club of Princeton -Fellowship Hall

October 12: Budget Review meeting after 10:00am Worship

October 24: 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Trick or Treat on Water Street

October 26: After 10:00am Worship Annual Meeting with
Appreciation Dinner