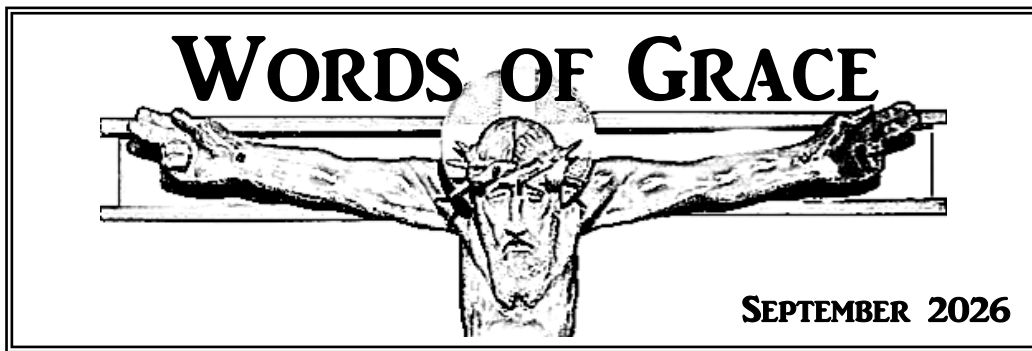




KEEP LEARNING

Continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

—2 Timothy 3:14-15

As a child, I don't think I was out of the ordinary for looking forward to the day when I wouldn't have to go to school anymore. No more classes or homework assignments. No more pop quizzes or final exams. No more lectures, book reports, or science fairs. I longed for the day when I'd be done learning.

Of course, little did I know that it'd never end, because learning doesn't just take place in a classroom. It started much earlier than my first day of kindergarten and will only end at the revelation of Jesus Christ. No matter how old you are and whether or not you've been filed into a certain grade level, we are all students. We are constantly soaking in new information, constantly growing and changing. We never stop learning. The question is: what are you learning and who's teaching you?

From childhood, from the time you were baptized, you've been acquainted with the sacred writings found in the Bible. From them, you learned of your Father, who sent his Son to die and rise in order that you might believe in Him by the power of His Spirit and be saved. This is something your parents most likely taught you, along with grandparents, godparents, aunts, uncles, Sunday School teachers, and of course your pastor.

But the learning never ends. It must continue, lest you lose it, lest you lose faith and are no longer wise for salvation. Don't take such salvation for granted and receive God's grace in vain (2 Corinthians 6:1) but continue in it, remain in it now and always. You certainly can never outlearn God and His Word, not simply because "there's always more to learn," but rather, "there's always more to receive." Learning God's Word isn't the same as learning your multiplication table. Studying the Holy Scriptures isn't about being better informed, but it's about being transformed, renewed day by day, until the day when you are called home.

So, the learning never stops, because you won't stop sinning and God won't stop forgiving. His word is Spirit and life. It is God's power unto salvation, the means by which you are kept in the faith, joined to Him as a branch to the Vine. If you don't continue in what you have learned, you won't continue in Him.

So don't think you've graduated from the school of Jesus Christ. You are still His student. He is still your Teacher. He instructs you each day in His Word and each Sunday in His Divine Service. He sent you a substitute teacher (me) to stand in his stead in order to guide you into all truth. Don't shy away from learning, as if you don't need it. You do. You must continue in what you have learned and remain a student of the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Check out the "Christian Training" page in this newsletter to find the many ways you can continue in what you have learned.

In Christ,

Pastor Haller



Every month, as a congregation, we will have a Bible verse to memorize, so that together the word of Christ may dwell richly in our hearts. Here is August's Bible verse:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

A HOLY CONVERSATION

Saturday, November 14th

9:30 am Matins
10:15 am Session 1
11:30 am Lunch
12:30 pm Session 2

Sunday, November 15th

Session 3 during Bible Study

**Sign-up available
beginning in October**

THE SPEAKER: Rev. Dr. Korey Maas is Associate Professor and Chairman of the Department of History at Hillsdale College and an Assistant Pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hillsdale, MI.



THE TOPIC: The Doctrine of Scripture: Sufficiency, Clarity, and Canonicity

We will walk through three topics related to and illuminating the Lutheran understanding of sola scriptura. We will learn, first, about the necessity and sufficiency of Scripture for establishing Christian doctrine. Secondly, we will address the question of whether the Scriptures are clear enough to fulfill the purpose for which they were written. Finally, we will ask the fundamental question for those appealing to Scripture alone: what are the canonical books of the Bible, and how do we know.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Amelia Bender
- 2 Christi Diener
- 3 Hannah Haller
- 4 Gordon Bigham
Hunter Reid
- 7 Deegan Walstead
- 9 Joanne Reinbold
- 12 Markel Lokinski
- 15 Earl Voss
- 17 Jean Trisch
- 20 Brian Steinley
- 22 Henry Bender

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Don & Carolyn Carpenter

SHUT-IN ADDRESSES

Continue to pray for those who can't be with us on Sunday mornings.

Jean Adams

8678 W. Deckerville Rd.
Reese, MI 48757

Don Carpenter

Tuscola County Medical Care Facility
1285 Cleaver Rd.
Caro MI 48723

John Kajjala

6004 Gilford Rd.
Fairgrove, MI 48733

Ruth Ann Kajjala

Heritage Hill Assisted Living
1430 Cleaver Rd
Caro, MI 48723

The Readings in September

Sunday, September 6, 2026

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Proverbs 4:10-23
Galatians 5:16-24
Luke 17:11-19

Sunday, September 13, 2026

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 17:8-16
Galatians 5:25-6:10
Matthew 6:24-34

Sunday, September 20, 2026

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 17:17-24
Ephesians 3:13-21
Luke 7:11-17

Sunday, September 27, 2026

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Proverbs 25:6-14
Ephesians 4:1-6
Luke 14:1-11



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**NEXT VOTERS MEETING:
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026 @ 11 AM**

Check out our website:
www.gracefairgrove.org



—STEWARDSHIP—

September Coffee Money
Worship Anew

Education Sunday
Luther Classical College

The Special Mission from July to September will be to Family Promise of Tuscola County, an organization that helps homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence through a community-based response



—FELLOWSHIP—



On Sunday, September 13th, after the Divine Service, join your brothers and sisters in Christ at the Hallers' (4818 Slack Rd.).

Pulled pork and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share!

—HOMESCHOOL CO-OP—

A new year has begun for our congregation's homeschool co-op. This year, we have eleven families involved, totaling thirty-three school-aged children and five little ones in the nursery. We normally meet two Thursdays out of the month, beginning with Matins at 9:15 am, which the congregation is welcome to attend. After that, classes are held on theology, art, music, and literature, finishing the day with prayer and lunch. Our hope is that this will be of great benefit to the families involved as they strive to bring up their children "in the discipline and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4).

—EVANGELISM & MERCY—

Thank you everyone for donating clothing, school supplies, and money to purchase additional supplies for our annual giveaway. We were able to provide school supplies for approximately 55 students and clothing for over 40 families. The families are very grateful to have this available to them.

—YOUTH—

All ages are welcome to walk with our group in the Bean Festival Parade on Monday, September 7th, at 11 am. We will be lining up at 10:30 am. Speak with Elizabeth LaPouttre for more details.



Our youngest children (8 years old and younger) are invited for fun at Little Builders Play Yard in Bay City on Friday, September 18th, from 4:30 to 6 pm. RSVP to Elizabeth LaPouttre by Wednesday, September 16th. All costs are covered by the Board of Youth.



In an effort to enhance the Divine Service, Ladies Aid has posted a flower chart for families or church boards wishing to participate. Please consider signing up to beautify the altar sometime this year.

Thank you to all those who purchased Easter flowers to adorn our altar!

CHRISTIAN TRAINING

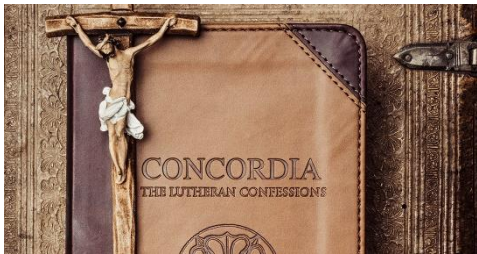
SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Regularly scheduled Sunday School will begin Sunday, September 20th with three classrooms:
Preschool/Kindergarten, 1st through 4th grade, and 5th through 8th grade.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHOIR WILL BE SINGING FOR
THE DIVINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1st**

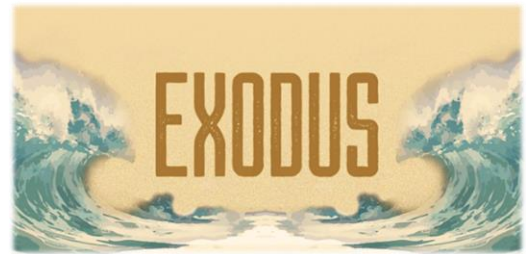
THE MEN'S STUDY

Saturday, September 12th, 7:30 to 9 am
breakfast + prayer + the Lutheran Confessions



WEDNESDAYS AT GRACE

9:30 am Matins
10 am Bible Study



PRIVATE CONFESSION

Confession & Absolution is available Saturday, September 12th, from 9 to 10 am in the sanctuary or anytime by appointment. The rite can be found on page 292 in the hymnal.



LITTLE LAMBS CATECHESIS

Wednesday, September 16th at 6 pm
The First, Second, Third, Fourth, & Fifth Commandments

JUNIOR HIGH CATECHESIS

begins Wednesday, September 2nd at 7 pm
Introduction to the Catechism

HIGH SCHOOL CATECHESIS

Sunday, September 20th, 6 to 8pm at the Hallers'
First, Second, and Third Commandments

THE DAILY READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

“God’s Word is the treasure that makes everything holy. By it all the saints have themselves been made holy. At whatever time God’s Word is taught, preached, heard, read, or pondered, there the person, the day, and the work is hallowed, not on account of the external work but on account of the Word that makes us all saints.”

—Martin Luther, The Large Catechism, 91-92

September 1st	Psalm 47	1 Kings 18:1-19	Eph. 1:1-23
September 2nd	Psalm 138	1 Kings 18:20-40	Eph. 2:1-22
September 3rd	Psalm 119:57-64	1 Kings 19:1-21	Eph. 3:1-21
September 4th	Psalm 90:13-17	2 Kings 2:1-18	Eph. 4:1-24
September 5th	Psalm 56:8-13	2 Kings 2:19-25; 4:1-7	Eph. 4:25-5:14
September 6th	Psalm 127	2 Kings 4:8-22, 32-37	Eph. 5:15-33
September 7th	Psalm 131	2 Kings 4:38-5:8	Eph. 6:1-24
September 8th	Psalm 71:12-16	2 Kings 5:9-27	Philipp. 1:1-20
September 9th	Psalm 61	2 Kings 6:1-23	Phil. 1:21-2:11
September 10th	Psalm 58:1-8	2 Kings 9:1-13; 10:18-29	Phil. 2:12-30
September 11th	Psalm 44:1-8	2 Chronicles 29:1-24	Phil. 3:1-21
September 12th	Psalm 94:12-15	2 Chronicles 31:1-21	Phil. 4:1-23
September 13th	Psalm 27:7-13	2 Chronicles 32:1-22	Col. 1:1-23
September 14th	Psalm 38:6-16	2 Chronicles 33:1-25	Col. 1:24-2:7
September 15th	Psalm 1	2 Chron. 34:1-4, 8-11, 14-33	Col. 2:8-23
September 16th	Psalm 108:1-6	2 Chron. 35:1-7, 16-25	Col. 3:1-25
September 17th	Psalm 130	2 Chron. 36:1-23	Col. 4:1-18
September 18th	Psalm 118:5-14	Nehemiah 1:1-2:10	1 Tim. 1:1-20
September 19th	Psalm 136:1-9	Neh. 2:11-20; 4:1-6	1 Tim. 2:1-15
September 20th	Psalm 46	Nehemiah 4:7-23	1 Tim. 3:1-16
September 21st	Psalm 55:12-19	Neh. 5:1-16; 6:1-16	1 Tim. 4:1-16
September 22nd	Psalm 119:97-104	Neh. 7:1-4; 8:1-18	1 Tim. 5:1-16
September 23rd	Psalm 51:5-13	Neh. 9:1-21	1 Tim. 5:17-6:2
September 24th	Psalm 123	Neh. 9:22-38	1 Tim. 6:3-21
September 25th	Psalm 12	Malachi 1:1-14	Matthew 3:1-17
September 26th	Psalm 16	Malachi 2:1-3:5	Matthew 4:1-11
September 27th	Psalm 91:9-16	Malachi 3:6-4:6	Matt. 4:12-25
September 28th	Psalm 145:17-21	Deuteronomy: 1:1-18	Matt. 5:1-20
September 29th	Psalm 19:7-14	Deut. 1:19-36	Matt. 5:21-48
September 30th	Psalm 63	Deut. 1:37-2:15	Matt. 6:1-15

Serving Our Lord in the Month of September

Elders

Brian Steinley & Steven Reinbold

Ladies Aid

Pamela Ill & Holly Winter

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Refreshments: Laura Starkey, Helene Weber, Chelsea Worden

Propers Choir: Aidan Hanby, Charity Hanby, Jacob Hanby

Acolyte: Charles Bender

Bible Study Babysitter: Charity Hanby

Youngers' Sunday School Teacher: Hannah Haller

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Propers Choir: Alberta Reinbold, Daniel Reinbold, Gabriella Reinbold, Winston Reinbold

Acolyte: Wayne Seeley

Sunday, September 20, 2026

Refreshments: Jennifer Bender, Ashley Bublitz, Sandy D'Addezio

Propers Choir: Olivia Hargash, Aaron Reinbold, Amelia Reinbold, Noah Reinbold

Acolyte: Brandt LaPouttre

Bible Study Babysitter: Olivia Hargash & Isabella Reinbold

Youngers' Sunday School Teacher: Jennifer Bender

Middle School Sunday School Teacher: Steven Reinbold

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Refreshments: Joyce Dickson, Ann Emery, Sarah Hall

Propers Choir: Sandra D'Addezio, Sarah Hall, Joanne Hills, Mary Masker

Acolyte: Winston Reinbold

Bible Study Babysitter: Amelia Reinbold

Youngers' Sunday School Teacher: Nicole Seeley

Middle School Sunday School Teacher: Brandon Worden

**If your name is not on the refreshment list and you would like to serve, please contact the church office.

**If you're not able to serve on a particular Sunday, please call someone to replace you.

SEPTEMBER 2026

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Elders of the Month: Brian Steinley (989) 693-6001 & Steven Reinbold (989) 233-5097

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 9:30 am Matins 10 am Bible Study 7 pm JH Catechesis	3	4 - Pastor's day off -	5
6 <i>The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</i> 9:15 am Divine Service 11 am Sunday School Bible Study	7 <i>Labor Day</i> 11 am Bean Festival Parade	8 9 am Quilters	9 9:30 am Matins 10 am Bible Study 7 pm JH Catechesis	10 9:15 am Matins 9:45 am to 1 pm Homeschool Co-op	11 - Pastor's day off -	12 7:30 am Men's Study 9 to 10 am Private Confession
13 <i>The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</i> 9:15 am Divine Service 11 am Potluck @ the Hallers'	14 <i>Holy Cross</i>	15	16 9:30 am Matins 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Little Lambs Catechesis 7 pm JH Catechesis	17	18 - Pastor's day off -	19
20 <i>The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity</i> 9:15 am Divine Service 11 am Sunday School Bible Study 6 to 8 pm HS Catechesis	21 <i>St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist</i>	22 9 am Quilters	23 9:30 am Matins 10 am Bible Study 7 pm JH Catechesis	24 9:15 am Matins 9:45 am to 1 pm Homeschool Co-op	25 - Pastor's day off -	26
27 <i>The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity</i> 9:15 am Divine Service 11 am Sunday School Bible Study	28	29 <i>St. Michael & All Angels</i>	30 9:30 am Matins 10 am Bible Study 7 pm JH Catechesis			