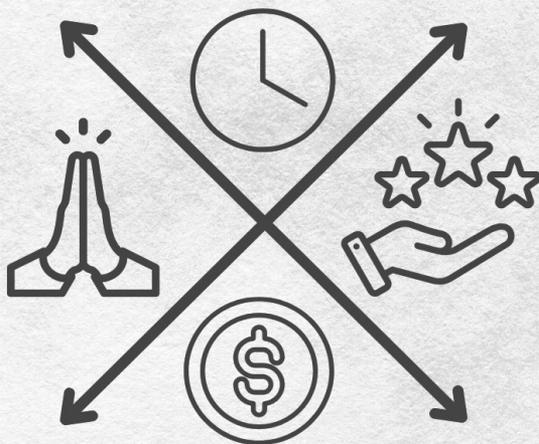


# United In Christ Lutheran Church

## GIFTED STEWARDS



*a focus on time, talent, treasure, and thanks*  
September 21-October 12



# Thanks

*Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
October 12, 2025

*The Rev. Justin G. Lingenfelter*

# ***Welcome to our church!***

*We hope the service is meaningful, and uplifting,  
and that you will experience God's presence here.*

*May God bless you during worship today.*

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## **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS**

*Please see a greeter.*

## **ELEVATOR**

*Please see a greeter.*

## **REST ROOMS**

*Downstairs across from the church office.*

## **DIAPER CHANGING TABLE**

*In fellowship hall family restroom.*

*Visit us at [www.unitedinchristlutheran.net](http://www.unitedinchristlutheran.net)*

### **UNITED IN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF**

**The Rev. Justin G. Lingenfelter: UIC Pastor**

**The Rev. Katy Moran: CELC Pastor**

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### ***United In Christ's Mission Statement:***

*Led by the Spirit, we follow Christ's call to honor  
God and neighbor through worship, learning, service,  
prayer, stewardship and invitation.*

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our maker, our helper,  
and our keeper.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of  
God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God,

**We are your stiff necked people. We trample on the  
needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn  
away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our  
sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been  
found.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ  
came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have  
been found. In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

**Amen.**

*Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,  
 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,  
 3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,  
 4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive;

the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!  
 to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.  
 sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.  
 the moun-ful, bro-ken hearts re-joice, the hum-ble poor be-lieve.

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**



# HYMN OF PRAISE



1. A - bove the hills the an - gel hosts  
 2. In heav'n, on earth reigns God Most High,  
 3. Sing jus - tice, mer - cy, joy and peace,  
 4. We wor - ship you, our thanks we bring,  
 5. To Je - sus Christ, God's Son, our Lord,



*Sing glo - ry! Glo - ry! Glo - ry!* God's Love is come to  
 Yet ten - der - ly God  
 God's own good will grants  
 We bow be - fore you  
 The Lamb of God, E -



seek the lost. *Give Glo - ry to God in the High - est!* \_\_\_\_\_  
 hears our cry.  
 sin's re - lease.  
 as we sing  
 ter - nal Word,

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our ancestors. Your bountiful goodness fills heaven and earth and you are exalted as head above all. Keep us ever mindful of your care in all circumstances, that, with hearts fixed on you, we may accomplish all that you would have us do, giving thanks to you and praising your glorious name through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## FIRST READING

## 1 CHRONICLES 29:10-13

<sup>10</sup>Then David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly; David said, “Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, forever and ever. <sup>11</sup>Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. <sup>12</sup>Riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and it is in your hand to make great and to give strength to all. <sup>13</sup>And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

## 1 THESSALONIANS 5:15-22

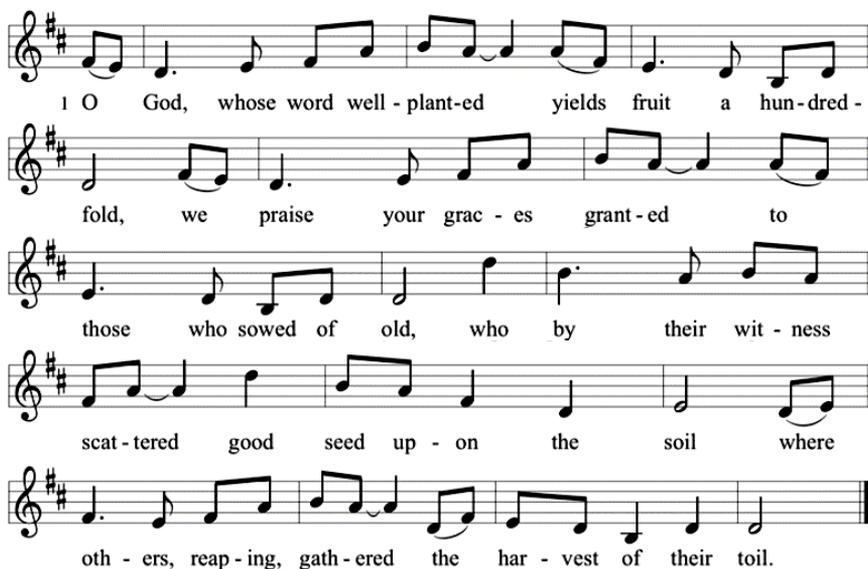
<sup>15</sup>See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. <sup>16</sup>Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup>pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup>Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup>Do not despise prophecies, <sup>21</sup>but test everything; hold fast to what is good; <sup>22</sup>abstain from every form of evil.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



1 O God, whose word well - plant-ed yields fruit a hun-dred -  
fold, we praise your grac - es grant-ed to  
those who sowed of old, who by their wit - ness  
scat-tered good seed up - on the soil where  
oth - ers, reap - ing, gath-ered the har - vest of their toil.

## GOSPEL READING

**LUKE 17:11-19**

This is the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup>Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 858

#### *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
if with his love he be - friend you.  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

## **APOSTLE'S CREED**

Let us confess our faith using the Apostle's Creed:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 OF INTERCESSION**

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*Prayers continue with each petition ending:*

God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The minister and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please share the peace at whatever level of physical contact with which you are comfortable.*

***Please fill out an Attendance Card,  
and place the card in an offering plate.***

## OFFERING

*You are invited to place your offering in one of the plates as they are passed or to make use of our online offering plate through [tithe.ly](http://tithe.ly) by scanning the QR code to the right. You may also place your offering at [www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/giving](http://www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/giving) by clicking on the green "Give Now" button.*



## OFFERTORY HYMN

1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to  
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They  
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we

place up - on your ta - ble. We do not wor - ship  
grew in your good plea - sure. What once was com - mon,  
lift in prayer be - fore you. Lord, by your grace now

as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.  
dai - ly food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.  
come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



1 Long, long a - go in Je - ru - sa - lem, as the  
 2 High on a throne sat the might - y Lord, robes  
 3 Oh, what a sight it was to see and

scrip - tures do re - cord, I - sa - iah to the  
 flow - ing through the hall, while six - wing - ed an - gels  
 oh, what a sound to hear! The tem - ple door - posts

tem - ple came to see the ho - ly Lord.  
 flew a - bove. I - sa - iah heard them call.  
 shook and quaked. and smoke was in the air.

*Refrain*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, God's  
 glo - ry fills all heav'n and earth, God of pow - er and might.

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

**We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

**We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

**We thank you, O God.**

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.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us saying:

**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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

**Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, and all people are invited to his table. Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to receive a blessing.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

*Music will accompany the distribution of communion.*

## TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



1 O Lord of the blos-som, O God of the seed, O gra-cious pro -  
2 O Lord of the har-vest, O God of the feast, where sor-rows are

vi - der for all hu-man need, you have nour-ished our faith at your  
van-quished and joys are in - creased, where the tree of life grows in your

ta - ble of grace, and nur - tured new life in the light of your  
or-chards a - bove, we'll join in the cho-rus in praise of your

face. O Lord of the grain - field, O God of the  
love. Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the

vine, you've fed us your pres - ence in bread and in  
Son, sing praise to the Spir - it. Praise God, Three in

wine. In com - mun - ion you've blest to us ar - bor and  
One! You have made us one peo - ple you've fed by the

plow, and shown us the gos - pel, your word for us now.  
hand, O Lord of the heav-ens, O God of the land.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, † bless you now and forever.

Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

ELW 543

### *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

The musical score consists of six systems, each with a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE



*After worship please join us in the  
fellowship hall for a luncheon by UIC Council.*



# What's Happening at UIC

- Sun, Oct. 12      Worship, 10:00am  
                         Luncheon by UIC Council, 11:15am  
                         Outreach Meeting, 11:15am
- Mon, Oct. 13      INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY  
                         Office Closed
- Tue, Oct. 14      OAKS Senior Center, 10:00am-1:00pm  
                         Boy Scouts, 6:45pm
- Fri, Oct. 17      Office Closed
- Sat, Oct. 18      Truck-or-Treat, 3:00pm
- Sun, Oct. 19      Worship, 10:00am  
                         Social Hour, 11:15am  
                         Faith Lab @ UIC, 4:00pm  
                         Hayride @ St. John's, 5:00pm

# UNITED IN CHRIST'S PRAYER LIST

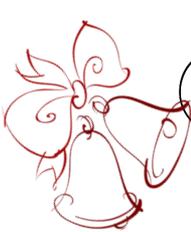
**Please pray for:** Bert Keefer, Sam Rice Jr., Pam Packer, Penny Golder, Connie Shreck, Vicki Bow-ersox, family and friends of Rick Guffey, family and friends of Diane Gottlieb, Bertie Danowsky, Patrick Moseley, Gigi Pray, Ted McPherrin, Bob Troxell, Eugene Bain, Annette Baker, Mark Rabuck, Shirley Russell, Bob Keifer.



## **Are you or a loved one in need of prayer?**

Submit your prayer request by calling 570-568-2254 or emailing it to [office@unitedinchristlutheran.net](mailto:office@unitedinchristlutheran.net)

We will email your prayer request to UIC's prayer chain and keep them on the prayer list for about 4 weeks.



## HAPPY *Anniversary*

*Randy and Kristin Sprenkle 10/14/00*

*Jeff and Tina Snyder 10/15/94*

*Tom and Marilyn Gresh 10/18/69*



## Happy Birthday

*Ella Catherman 10/12*



*If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office with these dates.*

# PASTOR APPRECIATION

*On October 26<sup>th</sup> after worship we will be thanking Pastor Justin and Pastor Katy for all they do for us. Please feel free to bring in cards, letters, gifts, anything you would like to give them. Items can be placed on the table by the kitchen. Stick around after worship to thank them during Social Hour.*



A vibrant purple poster for a "Trunk or Treat" event. The background is filled with illustrations of various candies and pumpkins. The text "FREE!" is in large, bold, orange letters at the top left. Below it, "TRUNK or TREAT" is written in large, orange, stylized letters. The event details are listed in white text: "Saturday, October 18th", "3pm - 5pm", "Milton Lutheran Church", and "1125 Mahoning Street, Milton, PA 17847". In the bottom right corner, there are three circular logos: the Milton Lutheran Church logo, the United in Christ Lutheran Church logo, and another church logo.



# Autumn Hayride

5 p.m. Sunday, October 19

St. John's Lutheran

Food & Fun! 70 S. Mill Road, Milton



Please sign up at church or contact the office.





# OAKS

## SENIOR CENTER

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# Tuesday, October 14

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10:00 am Doors Open

10:30 am Free Bingo with Prizes

11:30 am Halloween Craft

12:00 pm Free Lunch



OAKS Senior Center is free and has no age requirements.  
Everyone is welcome to join us!

## **United In Christ Lutheran Church**

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# WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	Oct. 12	Oct. 19	Oct. 26
Worship Leader	Justin	Michelle	Justin
Social Hour	A - D	E - K	L - R
Bread/Wine	M. Shearer	K. Sprengle	J. Mertz
Altar Guild	S. Keifer	M. Catherman	K. Guffey
Digital Host	D. Murphy	K. Guffey	T. Cromwell
Front Door Greeter	D. Byerly J. Byerly	K. Baker S. Brown	L. Rabuck M. Rabuck
Side Door Greeter	B. Keifer	R. Kling	T. Cromwell
Lector	R. Baker	R. Sprengle	B. Swartz
Ushers	B. Guffey R. Kling J. Mertz M. Shearer	L. Rabuck M. Rabuck B. Swartz T. Swartz	K. Arndt B. Guffey D. Baker K. Baker
Communion Asst.	B. Swartz D. Baker	C. Robuck B. Catherman	R. Sprengle R. Kling
Guest Relations	M. Mertz	K. Noll	M. Rabuck
Offering Counter	M. Shearer M. Rabuck	P. Hauck K. Guffey	L. Rabuck M. Shearer

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please try to trade with someone on the schedule and then notify the office of the change. If you are unable to trade with someone, please call Terri Cromwell at the church, 570-568-2254, and she will find a replacement for you.



## **Lutheran Church**

**1875 Churches Rd. Lewisburg, PA 17837  
570-568-2254**

**WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**  
Sundays at 10am

**THE REV. JUSTIN G. LINGENFELTER**

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