⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.

Hebrews 4:9-10

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22nd Sunday After Pentecost......October 20th, 2024

The Hebrews text takes place in two other conjoined aspects of the congregation's liturgical life. First, the teacher of Hebrews preaches to the congregation and exhorts them as a congregation. Second, the appeal in chapter 4 urges faith in the Word of God that is preached and taught in the congregation. It is a plea to believers to gather with the liturgical assembly, hear the Word preached and taught, and let it be joined to repentance and faith in the hearers.

Welcome to our fellow believers gathered here today!

The Lord's Supper is a very special privilege God gives to His people.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. If you are not partaking of the Lord's Supper but would like to receive a blessing, please come up to the communion rail when sent by an elder, kneel, and cross your arms over your chest. The Pastor will then know that you desire a blessing.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD FROM HIS BLESSINGS TO US.

Offerings remind us of the blessings God has given us and are an opportunity to thank Him for what He has done in our lives. Please place your offerings in our Offering Box located in the narthex of the church.

In Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." We welcome children and all the joy and little chatter that comes with them. If for any reason you want to take your little one out, there is a Nursery (Cry Room) available for use, located just outside the sanctuary.

Rest in the Lord is a frequently used term in the Bible. The Hebrew word translated as "rest" means "to be at peace," "to be still," "to be quiet or calm." To rest and be at peace, one must dwell in the presence of the Lord. The book of Hebrews declares the good news that those who believe in Jesus Christ can enter His rest Heb. 4:1-3. As believers, we are not granted immunity from life's storms, but we have a choice about how we react to those storms. Do we waste our time worrying or trust in the Lord to take care of us? Do we respond in fear or rest in the Lord's presence? Matt. 11:28 In Hebrews we see that there is a future, final rest for believers in heaven Heb. 4:9-10. We rest in the Lord by taking everything to Him in prayer. Abiding in Jesus is how we rest in the Lord. Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from Him. ∞ Psalm 62:1

Opening Hymn 692 "Praise to You and Adoration" (2 Thess. 2:15-17; Matthew 20:26-28; John 10:27-28, 14:18)

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19b)
- Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **@** who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** (Psalm 32:5)
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)
- **G** Amen.

**The Congregation will rise and join in singing verse 4

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit

Psalm 34:1-4, 17; antiphon: v. 18

- **P** The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
- and saves the crushed in spirit.
- P I will bless the LORD at all times;

- His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
- let the humble hear and be glad.
- P Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
- and let us exalt His name together!
- **P** I sought the LORD, and He answered me
- and delivered me from all my fears.
- P When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
- and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- All: 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.

LSB 186

P The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

Kyrie ∞ *Lord, Have Mercy* (Mark 10:47)

and saves the crushed in spirit.





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Old Testament Lesson

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

- P He will command His angels concerning you
- to guard you in all your ways.
- P Bless the LORD, O my soul,
- and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

The Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 4:1-13

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering His rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said,

"As I swore in My wrath,

'They shall not enter My rest,""

although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works." ⁵And again in this passage He said,

"They shall not enter My rest."

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again He appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

"Today, if you hear His voice,

do not harden your hearts."

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:23-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



 23 Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 24 And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is

easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." ²⁸Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left everything and followed You." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

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 + everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 587 "I Know My Faith Is Founded" (2 Timothy 1:12; John 17:8; Luke 17:5; 1 Peter 1:3-9)

Sermon Text Hebrews 4:1-16

Sermon "And I Will Give You Rest"

1. Our place of rest is _______ . "Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare If thou, Lord, wert not near me" (*LSB* 708:1).

2.	The time for entering rest
3.	The content and character of God's rest is summarized by referring to the Sabbath celebration of the Old Testament. "There remains a
	Sabbath rest" - a Sabbath celebration -
	(v 9).
4.	The way to enter God's rest is through His Word. We are to hear
	this Word eagerly and intently, and we are to
	and
Н	ymn 589 "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens" (1 Samuel 3:10; 1 Peter 1:23-25; John 6:63, 15:7-8)
Pi	ayers
	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.
Be	enedicamus Let Us Bless (Psalm 103:1) Bless we the Lord.
ē	Thanks be to God.

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

peace.



Closing Hymn 658 "Preserve Your Word, O Savior" (1 Peter 1:5-7; Jude 3, 17, 20-21)

The flowers on the altar today are placed there by Ellen Tjernagel with praise and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father and in loving memory of Allan Tjernagel who passed away 8 years ago.

Calendar of Events

TODAYOctober 20th, 2024		
Sunday School & Bible Classes 8:30 am		
Worship Service		
Adult Basketball		
MON: Fall Break - No School		
Parish Fellowship Meeting		
TUES:		
Altar Guild6:30 pm		
WED:		
Day School Chapel		
LifeLight6:45 pm		
THURS:		
Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study9:30 am		
Preschool Chapel		
FRI:		
Grandparents/Special Person's Day11:00 am		
SAT:		
Parish Planning Council (annual planning meeting)9:00 am		
NEXT SUNDAY ∞ Reformation Service ∞October 27th, 2024		
Sunday School & Bible Classes		
Worship Service with Communion		
Lending Library CartAfter Service		
New Member Potluck Dinner		
Bell Choir		
Adult Choir6:00 pm		

Pastor Wonnacott will be gone from the afternoon of Oct. 20th through Tuesday, October 22nd for the Pastor's Conference.

Parish Fellowship will meet tomorrow, October 21st, at 10:30 am.

Altar Guild will meet, this Tuesday, October 22nd at 6:30 in the Emmaus Room.

New Member Potluck Dinner on October 27th at 11:30 am. The Public Relations Board will provide the pizzas; Parish fellowship will provide the drinks and tableware. We ask that you bring a salad or dessert to share. Let's come together to celebrate our new brothers and sisters in Jesus!

On October 27th at 9:30 am we will observe Reformation Sunday. Rev. Dr. Stuckwisch (President of the Indiana District) will be our preacher. We will celebrate our Lutheran history, when God used Martin Luther to show through Scripture that we are saved – by grace alone, by faith alone. Let us celebrate the truth of God's Word for all!

The Board of Evangelism along with the Youth Board and anyone else interested in helping will be packing Welcome Bags to be delivered in the Bremen Community on Sunday, November 10th. Please meet in the Bethany Room following church service. We will be packing approximately 50 bags and will send bags and will send bags and addresses with volunteers for delivery. We are asking for the following donations: cheese and cracker packets, microwave popcorn, post-it note pads, bottled water, flavored drink sticks, individually wrapped life savers, cotton varn for dishcloths. Your donations may be placed on the table in the Narthex next to the TV. If you are willing to knit or crochet dishcloths for these bags, you may pick up yarn (if available) from the basket on said table. Finished dishcloths may also be placed in the basket. This is an easy and interesting way to meet our neighbors! There will be a short meeting on what we have done in the past when delivering bags. Please pray for those delivering bags and also for our new neighbors! Thank you all for your support in prayer and donations.

Over Fall Break, we will be moving religious non-fiction reading materials from the church/school library to the book shelves in the Emmaus Room. These items will include Bibles, hymnals, theological writings, devotionals, etc. (For the library savvy: the 200's)

The LWML Ingathering for Ft. Wayne Seminary Co-op will be November 1st through Thanksgiving. Non-perishable food, hygiene products, diapers, and paper goods. There will be a box in the Narthex.

Worship Anew can be viewed on Dish Channel 266 or Direct TV channel 377 on Sundays at 11:30 am.

Hurricane Disaster Relief Opportunity – If you are asking, "What can I do?" to assist our fellow Lutheran churches and members, along with other victims, of hurricanes Helene & Milton in the southeast US, then please see the back page for information on ways to help. Thrivent members: Thrivent will provide a \$1 match for every \$2 donated to featured organizations: Convoy of Hope, LCMS Disaster Response, Lutheran Disaster Response, and Orphan Grain Train. This match will run until the \$750,000 cap is met, or December 10, 2024, whichever comes first. Donations must be made through Thrivent's online giving platform or through a Thrivent Charitable Impact and Investing® Donor Advised Fund.

"In 2025, an LCMS Indiana District convention will be held to prepare for a Synodical Convention in 2026. One of the tasks the South Bend Circuit (LCMS churches in Bremen, Culver, Plymouth, Goshen, Elkhart, South Bend, Mishawaka, Woodland and Warsaw) must do in preparation for the District convention is to select a candidate for a new Circuit Visitor for the South Bend Circuit. The present Circuit Visitor, Pastor Rohde, is stepping down from this position. If you have a recommendation of a Pastor in the South Bend Circuit that would be willing to serve as the Circuit Visitor, please advise Dave Burcham by October 27th. Thank you."

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH SERVICE/LUNCHEON: What a wonderful opportunity for our Youth to worship and praise God and serve in various ways before and during our annual Youth service last Sunday. Thank you also to all those who took part in the luncheon following the service. We are grateful for your continued support and ask that you continue to keep all of our Youth in your prayers, including those attending the 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans and those adult leaders who will be chaperoning them.

RENT A YOUTH: Our Youth will be available for some Fall clean up in your yards (i.e., leaf raking and other light chores) on Saturday, November 2nd (weather permitting, with an alternate day of Saturday, November 16th). If interested, please contact Andy Wildauer asap to discuss the project you have in mind. Depending on Youth participation and the scope of the request, we will do our best to accommodate what we can. There is no set cost for this; free will donations for the efforts from the Youth are appreciated.

SCHOOL CORNER

St. Paul's Preschool and Day School is on fall break until October 22nd.

Kindergarten through 3rd Grade enjoyed a nice day at Kercher's Apple Orchard on October 17th. They learned about the different varieties of apples and got a taste a few!

PTL is busy planning Grandparents'/Special Guests' Day for October 25th! If you have a grandchild in the school (or are invited as a guest), please make sure your student RSVPs by the 15th. We will open with chapel at 11:00, enjoy pizza and salad for lunch, and play games with the kids. Lego Club will follow at 1:30 that day. School will dismiss at normal time, but students are welcome to leave early with their guest, and a signed permission slip.

Also coming up: 5th Grade and HS Band Concert- Oct. 29th, 7:00pm; and PTL/ La Parilla Fundraiser- October 29th, all day (see insert)!

We are still looking for consistent help in our Extended Care Program- hours and days may vary. This is a part-time position, requiring a background check. If you are interested, please contact Nathan Miller or Jennifer Harman.

We are also always thankful to have volunteers to read with and assist the students! (Also requires a background check.)

Please continue giving to the Lutheran SGO! We use the SGO both for elementary school scholarships and Pre-K scholarships, and it has been a great benefit to our families. Please continue to give, and receive the tax credit and deduction for your donations! Now, there is a link to donate to the LSGO on the church's website under the School drop-down menu.

You can also find several (easy) ways to donate at www.lutheranSGO.org/Donate. Donations can be given through a check, IRA, stocks, Donor Advised Funds, PayPal, credit card, and **NOW** electronic giving! Benefits to you are a 50% state tax credit for your donation and eligibility for a tax deduction. These scholarships make a big difference for our families. Please contact Jennifer Harman, in the school office, if you have questions.

We also continue to take donations to St. Paul's tuition assistance fund. Checks for tuition assistance can be made out to the church.



Bourbon Street Pizza is extending its PTL Fundraising event! As our way of apologizing for the miscommunication involving the Nappanee location on Sept. 24th, we are offering 20% of the proceeds from your orders to the PTL, from now through November 17th. Please order from either the Bourbon or Nappanee Bourbon Street Pizza and send a screenshot of, or bring the receipt to, Jennifer Harman, 574-210-2103. Thank you for your support of PTL, and Bourbon Street!



PTL Fundraiser

Tuesday October 29th, 2024, all day

La Parilla Caliente

Mexican Restaurant

119 W. Plymouth St. Bremen

This is dine-in or carry out, and includes gift cards. PTL will receive commission from the sales.

\$25 Gift cards can be purchased for \$20! (\$5 from the sale will go to PTL.)

Servants for Today's Worship October 20th, 2024

Pastor Neil Wonnacott (574-546-2332 or 574-301-9291)

Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Jim Mitchell & Dakota Schmeltz

Acolyte: Emiliano Mejia Elder: Jon Rettinger

Video Streamer: Tyler/Dakota Schmeltz

Servants for Next Sunday's Worship October 27th, 2024

Rev. Richard Stuckwisch, President, Indiana District

Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Larry Winterboer & Curt Nielsen

Acolyte: Colton Napper

Elder: Larry Britt

Communion Assistant: Terry Miller Video Streamer: Paul Wonnacott

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DOXOLOGY Hymn Festival

Sunday, November 17, 3 p.m. Eastern Ancilla Domini Chapel Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Motherhouse 9601 Union Rd Plymouth, IN 46563



"Those Whose Life is Praise"

A celebration of God's promises in Christ Jesus In gray and latter days

Ten beloved hymns of the faith led by Rev. Dr. Paul Grime, Professor and Dean of Chapel, Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana at the console of the newly installed Opus 83 Taylor and Boody pipe organ in the beautiful neo-gothic Ancilla Domini Chapel.

Hymn Commentary by Rev. Harold Senkbeil, DOXOLOGY Exec Director Emeritus, Waukesha, WI

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Light refreshments after the hymn festival in the chapel undercroft.