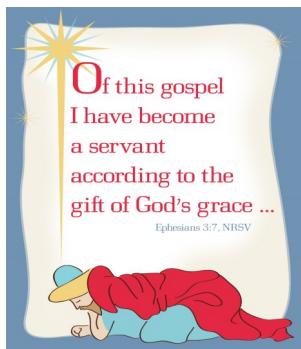


When you have
done all that
you were
commanded

Luke 17:10



WELCOME, FRIENDS AND GUESTS!

WELCOME! A cordial welcome is extended to all who have come to worship with us today. May God's loving presence fill us with joy and hope as we prepare ourselves to follow Christ. If you are a guest or visitor with us, please be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Binz or Pastor Swenson and sign our guest book. We look forward to having you worship with us again.

SERVING YOU TODAY

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Rev. Cutis Binz, Senior Pastor</i>
<i>Liturgist & Celebrant</i>	<i>Rev. Jacob Swenson, Associate Pastor</i>
<i>Assisting Elders</i>	<i>Donald Woo</i>
<i>Organist</i>	<i>Amy Kao</i>
<i>Lector</i>	<i>Judy Cairo, 7A Teacher</i>
<i>Grade 7A</i>	<i>Judy Cairo, 7A Teacher</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	<i>David Garrett, Ron Soper, Virginia Ferry, Ernestine Gutter</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	

Divine Service, Setting One

Lutheran Service Book, page 151

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Stand

OPENING HYMN

Holy Spirit, Light Divine

LSB 496

- 1 Holy Spirit, light divine,
Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away,
Turn the darkness into day.
- 2 Let me see my Savior's face,
Let me all His beauties trace;
Show those glorious truths to me
Which are only known to Thee.
- 3 Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me,
From sin's bondage set me free.
- 4 Holy Spirit, joy divine,
Cheer this saddened heart of mine;
Yield a sacred, settled peace,
Let it grow and still increase.
- 5 Holy Spirit, all divine,
Dwell within this heart of mine;
Cast down ev'ry idol throne,
Reign supreme, and reign alone.

Public domain

CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION

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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *Psalm 119:162, 164–165, 167; antiphon: v. 166*

P I hope for your salvation, O LORD, and I do your commandments.

C I rejoice at your word like one who finds great spoil.

P Seven times a day I praise you for your just and righteous decrees.

C Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.

P My soul keeps your testimonies; I love them exceedingly.

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.

P I hope for your salvation, O LORD, and I do your commandments.

KYRIE

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

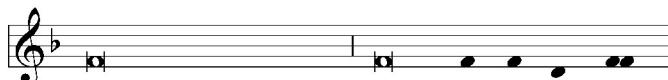
C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.



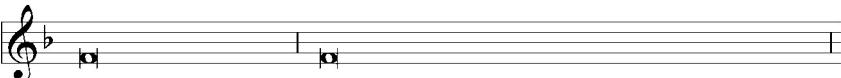
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



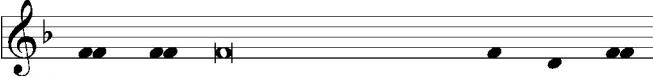
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?
Or cry to you “Violence!”
and you will not save?
Why do you make me see iniquity,
and why do you idly look at wrong?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
So the law is paralyzed,
and justice never goes forth.
For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.

I will take my stand at my watchpost
and station myself on the tower,
and look out to see what he will say to me,
and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

And the LORD answered me:
“Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so he may run who reads it.
For still the vision awaits its appointed time;
it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it;
it will surely come; it will not delay.

“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,
but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:1-10

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

C Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive him.”

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

SERMON HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

LSB 850

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,
 On Your people pour Your pow’r;
 Crown Your ancient Church’s story;
 Bring its bud to glorious flow’r.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 For the facing of this hour,
 For the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us
 Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!
 From the fears that long have bound us
 Free our hearts to faith and praise.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 For the living of these days,
 For the living of these days.
- 3 Cure Your children’s warring madness;
 Bend our pride to Your control;
 Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
 Rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
 Lest we miss Your kingdom’s goal,
 Lest we miss Your kingdom’s goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Your salvation
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving You whom we adore,
Serving You whom we adore.

Public domain

SERMON **“The gift of the Gospel”**
Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Stand

NICENE CREED

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

P Lord, in your mercy,
C Hear our prayer.

Sit

TITHES AND OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Flute: *Sophia Pappas (7A)*

Grade 7A & Choir: *This is the Day the Lord Has Made*

Piano Accompanist: *Nathan Chau (7A)*

Stand

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

Musical notation for the Preface response 'The Lord be with you.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'P The Lord be with you.' are written below the notes.

Musical notation for the Preface response 'And also with you.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'C And al - so with you.' are written below the notes.

Musical notation for the Preface response 'Lift up your hearts.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'P Lift up your hearts.' are written below the notes.

Musical notation for the Preface response 'We lift them to the Lord.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'C We lift them to the Lord.' are written below the notes.

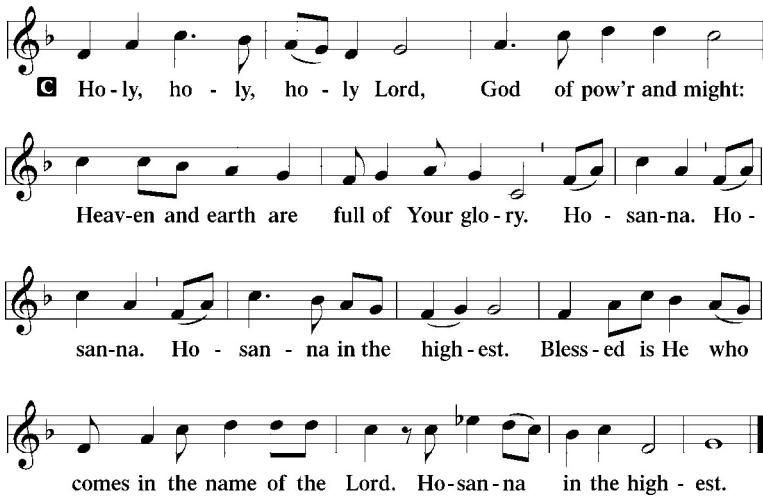
Musical notation for the Preface response 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' are written below the notes.

Musical notation for the Preface response 'It is right to give Him thanks and praise.' The music is in G major, common time. It consists of a single measure with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The lyrics 'C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.' are written below the notes.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

P Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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 \ddagger body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

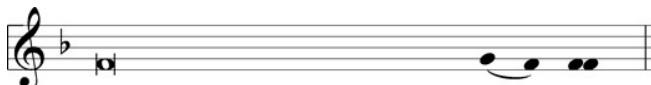
P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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**

PAX DOMINI



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

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

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

Regarding our Holy Communion practices this morning:

- We ask that you who are communicant Lutherans prepare to receive the Lord's Supper by reading the Communion Registration side of our Welcome-Worship Registration Card.
- The consecrated wine may be received by common cup (the chalice) or individual chalices. **Non-alcoholic wine is provided in the chalices in the inner circle of the tray for those who are unable to consume alcohol.**
- If you are unable to come to the altar rail for Communion, please let the usher know, and Pastors will bring communion to you in your pew.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

LSB 637

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav'ly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

Public domain

Stand

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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 \ddagger give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN *God Loves Me Dearly*

LSB 392

1 God loves me dearly,
Grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me. ***Refrain***

Refrain

Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.

2 I was in slav'ry,
Sin, death, and darkness;
God's love was working
To make me free. ***Refrain***

3 He sent forth Jesus,
My dear Redeemer,
He sent forth Jesus
And set me free. ***Refrain***

4 Jesus, my Savior,
Himself did offer;
Jesus, my Savior,
Paid all I owed. ***Refrain***

5 Now I will praise You,
O Love Eternal;
Now I will praise You
All my life long. ***Refrain***

Public domain

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2025 Concordia Publishing House.



We extend our deepest sympathy to the Swenson family here and in the Midwest for the loss of Pastor Swenson's mother.

Your **tithes and offerings** support the mission and ministries of West Portal Lutheran Church. If you wish to make an online donation, please use the QR code below. PayPal covers all transaction fees. You are donating to PayPal Giving Fund, a 501C(3) charity. Your donation is tax-deductible.



West Portal Lutheran Church and School is looking into forming a **Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) group**. All you need is a love for others, a desire to share the Gospel, and a heart to serve. Lutheran Women in Mission groups gather for events and activities to provide fellowship, work together on service projects in the church or community, and study the Word as sisters in Christ. It can be as little or big as we wish to make it. If you're interested in participating in this group, we will be meeting briefly after church on **Sunday, October 12 in the music room**. You may also contact Faith Swenson with any questions or thoughts (218) 329-8515 or faithswenson88@gmail.com.

Today, October 5, 2025

West Portal Lutheran would like to invite you to a **Lifetime Plan for Giving Presentation.**

Have you given a Christian blessing to your family in your will? You can let your loved ones know of your faith in Jesus as your Savior and remind them that you are in Heaven waiting to be with them again. Join us for a Lifetime Plan for Giving presentation today at **11:30 - 1:00 p.m.** to discuss God pleasing ways to develop your will & estate plan that will best enable transferring your blessings to family & ministries that you care so much about. A lite lunch will be served in the Parish Hall before the presentation. Join the English District Gift Planning Counselor Ron Grimm who can assist you in uncovering your Lifetime Plan for Giving that God has written on your heart. Sign up in the narthex or contact Ron at (412) 584-7039 or Ron.Grimm@LFND.org.



REFORMATION BANNER

During the month of October and in preparation for Reformation Sunday, we will display our Reformation banner which features the Luther Seal. Each component and color of the seal has a specific meaning:

- The black cross reminds us we are saved from sin because Jesus died on the cross.
- The red heart reminds us we live because Jesus shed His blood for us. Our faith in Him has saved us.
- The white rose reminds us that our faith gives us joy, comfort, and peace. White is to remind us that this is peace like the angels enjoy.
- The blue background reminds us of the sky and the hope that we will one day meet Jesus in heaven.
- The gold circle is precious; it reminds us of heaven's endless joy. A circle is an endless shape.

Voters' Assembly—October 19, 2025

All Church Members are invited to come to any Voters' Assembly meeting. You can become a voting member when you attend two meetings within one year; your membership will continue if you attend at least one meeting during the following two years.

The next regular Voters' Assembly meeting will be **October 19, 2025 after the 10:00AM Service**. Information Packets will be available on the table in the Narthex starting October 11, 2025. We encourage you to attend this meeting.



**WPL Church Parking Lot
Sunday, October 26, 4:00—6:00 PM**

The school children of West Portal Lutheran will meet in the church parking lot for a safe Halloween gathering. If you cannot attend, you can help by bringing wrapped candies to the church office to give to the children.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

This month 508 years ago, Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the castle church door in Wittenberg. Martin Luther was the first pastor of what has become known as Lutheranism, or the Evangelical Christian Church. Luther believed in a return to the Word of God as written in the Holy Bible, with his simple statement of Solo Gratia, Solo Fide, Solo Scriptura..... Through this, Martin Luther was able to recognize the grace of God as a loving provider, who should be thanked for the creation and gifts He bestows on us every day, beginning with the gift of life. Martin Luther brought the Word of God to the people by publishing the Bible in the common language, from the "vulgate", so they could directly read the Word of God. Through this emphasis on God's Word, he returned focus in the church to justification by faith in Christ and revitalized the community of faith in Europe, and the world ~ catalyzing what has become known as the Reformation.

This month marks a time of special observance and recognition for the mission and evangelism done by pastors, as they bring the Word of God and the good news of His love, forgiveness, grace and new life through Christ. We are thankful for the unceasing work Pastor Binz, Pastor Swenson and all others who bring this message of God to our community, our state, country and the world. God's commandment to go to all nations and make disciples is embodied by the faithful diligence and inspiring dedication, and joy, with which our pastors here are serving. We thank God for the blessings of our pastors and all who serve us here at West Portal Lutheran Church and School.

WPL Church Council

PARISH EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**Wednesday Morning Bible Study
In-Person and On-Line**

Pastor Binz is leading an in-person and on-line Bible Study on Wednesday mornings, starting at 11:00AM in the church library. If you would be interested in joining the class on-line, please contact Pastor Binz, pastorbinz@wplsf.com so that he can provide you with the link for joining the class.

Sundays, 9:00AM

Bible Study - Led by Pastor Swenson at 9:00 a.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Children Sunday School - Led by Edward & Rebecca Chan at 9:00 a.m. in the Church Library.

ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX:

- *Portals of Prayer* for October—December
- Latest issue of *PortaLight*
- Current issue of the *Lutheran Witness*
- Bulletin for today—regular size print and large size print

Please help yourself to any or all of the above listed items.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available. If you know of someone who could use one, please ask an usher for a large print bulletin—the order of service, words to the hymns, and the announcements are printed in these bulletins.

ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES are now available for your use during the Worship Service. If you would like to use one of these hearing devices, please see an Usher to check one out! There are two choices for the earpiece: an Ear-Bud or an Ear-Cuff. Following the Service PLEASE return the Hearing Aid to the ushers.

Looking among our own community

WPLCS is searching for a Business Manager to help lead us in HR, Budgeting, Insurance, Contracts, Property Management and much more. If you or someone you know is interested please email inreach@wplsf.com to obtain a full job description.

Thank you, The Interview Committee

Housing Assistance Needed! Our Accountant, Xhensila (pronounced Jensilla) is looking for an in-law unit, a small apartment or a room to rent with kitchen privileges near the church or along a bus line to the church. For further information, you may call her at 425-301-9014. Thanks!



Please join us for a **Welcome Baby Reception** after the 10 o'clock service on Sunday, November 2. Both men and women are invited.

Pastor and Mrs. Swenson are expecting a baby girl !

There will be light refreshments in the fellowship hall immediately after the service. All are invited. No gifts necessary, but Faith is registered at Target and Amazon. Diapers and girl clothes are also welcome. Come celebrate this blessing!

To access the baby registry sites:

Amazon:

Amazon baby registry. On Find a baby registry by name, put Faith Swenson. Click Search. Then click Faith Swenson, San Francisco, Expected Arrival Date of December 12, 2025.

Target:

Target baby registry. On Find a register or wish list, put Faith Swenson. Click Search. Then click View on Faith Swenson & Jacob Swenson Baby San Francisco 12/12/2025.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY (10/5)

9:00AM Bible Class

10:00AM Worship-Lord's Supper

11:30AM Light Lunch before

Presentation

Lifetime Plan for Giving

Presentation

MONDAY (10/6)

6:30PM Girl Scouts

WEDNESDAY (10/8)

11:00AM Midweek Bible Class

THURSDAY (10/9)

3:30PM Confirmation Class

SATURDAY (10/11)

5:00PM Worship-Lord's Supper

NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY (10/12)

9:00AM Bible Class

10:00AM Worship-Lord's Supper

11:30AM LWML group meeting

11:30AM Choir Practice

MONDAY (10/13)

COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY

Church Office & School are closed.

WEDNESDAY (10/15)

11:00AM Midweek Bible Class

THURSDAY (10/16)

3:30PM Confirmation Class

SATURDAY (10/18)

5:00PM *Partners in Faith Worship*



LET US PRAY TO THE LORD GOD for those who are ill, home-bound, or recovering from recent hospitalization: Elfriede Bonfert; Charlene Bruggemann-Wong; Angie Cheung, Helen Bok's sister-in-law; Bill Eves, Virginia Ferry's cousin; Jimmy Fong, Evelyn Fong's father; Gilbert Mogyorossy; Sigrid Rogge; Ruth Stresow; Ray Toloski; Cheryl Wong; Marilyn Wong; Franklin Yee.

Our Stewardship of Worship Last Week

Saturday, 5:00PM Service

In Person.....15

Sunday, 10:00AM Service

In Person.....55

On-Line.....70

Total.....140

Communed Saturday13

Communed Sunday43

Sunday Bible Class.....14

Wednesday Bible Class.....6

Luke 17:10 – “So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’” We can never put God in our debt. Even if we lived in perfect compliance with the Law, we would still only be unworthy servants. Our giving to the Lord’s work in the church is a sign that we recognize our role as servants. Furthermore, we give because we recognize our own need for that work of the Lord in the church. And what a blessing it is to give to the church so that the ministry of His Word and Sacraments may reach all in our community.

Altar Flowers

Flower Charts for the year 2025 are now posted in the Narthex. This is a very special way to help decorate the Altar, and to commemorate events or to remember loved ones. Flowers may be taken home or are delivered to our sick and shut-in members. Please call May Luu or Angie Holt in the church office, 415-661-0242, if you have any questions. The cost of a floral arrangement is \$55.00 through Mystic Garden on Ocean Ave. Please make your check payable to “Altar Guild of West Portal Lutheran Church”. We encourage you to sign up on the new Flower Chart.

West Portal Lutheran
Church & School

Worship Services

Saturday, 5:00PM

Sunday, 10:00AM

Bible Classes

Wednesday, 11:00AM

Sunday, 9:00AM

Sunday School

Sunday, 9:00AM

CHURCH

200 Sloat Boulevard

San Francisco CA 94132

415-661-0242

www.

westportallutheran.org

SCHOOL

Sloat Campus

200 Sloat Boulevard

San Francisco CA 94132

415-665-6330

Sunset Campus

3101 Moraga Street

San Francisco CA 94122

415-731-3000

www.wplsf.com

Rev. Curtis Binz,

Senior Pastor

Rev. Jacob Swenson,

Associate Pastor

Ms. Sherise Lee,

Principal

Mrs. Sherilyn Jew,

Director of

Teaching Learning Curriculum

10/5/25

10:00AM

Ms. Amy Kao

Church Music Director