

The Eternal Light



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OCTOBER 2021 PASTOR'S PAGE - ESLC

“Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” Co. 3:16,17

These are instructions that follow Paul's beautiful application of the Gospel of God's gracious forgiveness and mercy to our life together within the church, the formula for peace. In adding these encouragements and principles, Paul provides us with the foundation for actually accomplishing God pleasing peace. Without this foundation there can be no genuine peace.

First, it is the Word of Christ that rules. Everything must be done in accord with the “Name of the Lord Jesus.” How is this possible? By “teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom” so that “the Word of Christ dwells in you richly.” That wisdom comes from the fear of the Lord, and by submission to the Word of God, Holy Scripture. Those who know the Scripture are to teach and admonish; those who do not know are to be taught and admonished. Where this is lacking, or where this is turned upside down, on its head, there will be no peace. Rather, there will be disharmony and rebelliousness of all kinds. Hearts and minds will be corrupted and become incapable of discerning the truth.

Only when the Word of God is ruling and controlling all things can we know what we are to forgive, what we are to bear with, and what we must resist and reject. Without the Word of God we are asked to repent of things that are not sin, and we are asked to bear with and accept what is sin. With rejection of biblical admonition there is confusion and all manner of evil. We see this in many churches around us and it is a constant threat to our own congregational peace and harmony as well.

When the Word of God rules, and all comply with it, then there is an outburst of singing – “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs.” There is “thankfulness” in our hearts, gratitude to God for all that He does for us. There is great joy in complying with the Word of our loving God, not bitterness, stubbornness, and impenitence. There is humility, gentleness, kindness, forbearance, forgiveness, and genuine love. Surely this joy is desirable and to be pursued, but it only comes when we are willing to receive “teaching and admonition” so that we are in accord with the Name of the Lord Jesus, His Word.

Obviously, the advice of the Word of God would be good to follow. Who would not recommend this for every Christian and for every congregation? Paul gives us the foundation, the formula for great peace, joy, and blessedness. May the good Lord touch and move all hearts toward this, that “the Word of Christ” truly dwell richly in all hearts and minds, and that all are blessed. May He break down everything that would hinder and prevent such blessedness.

No better or more important advice and counsel could be given to any congregation of Christians. May God grant it richly to ESLC.

OFFERING REPORT

Offerings for the months of August/September were:

August 29	\$4,688
September 5	\$4,686
September 12	\$1,290
September 19	\$3,361

This weekly average (\$3,506) compares to our 2021 weekly budget needs of \$4,819.

REMINDERS

Please be responsible!!! For everyone who has access to the church building, it is your responsibility when you leave to make sure that all lights are off, the heat/air-conditioning/fans are turned back or off and all of the **doors are locked and secure!!** Please do double checks before you leave.

Have you checked out the newly revised and **updated ESLC website**? It contains lots of important information including the Eternal Savior church calendar and who will be serving each week. You can also find Pastor Rhode's archived sermons. Please check it out at www.eternalsavior-lutheran.org.

Adult Bible Class is now online and live each Sunday at **10:40 AM**. We are currently studying the books **1, 2 of Timothy**. To join, email Pastor for the invitation link.

In **Sunday School** we are now studying **Enduring Faith curriculum**, Unit 7, "**Jesus Comes For Us**". We are now having Sunday School live. Opening is in the Narthex, classes are outdoors so long as the weather stays good. If we go back into the building, we will follow the Boulder County mask policy.

Mid-week Bible Study are Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM and Thursday mornings at 11 am. To join, email Pastor for the invitation link. In the evening class we are studying the **Gospel of John**. On Thursday mornings at 11 am we are studying the book of **Hosea**.

Children's bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for a copy.

Prayer request cards are available on a table in the narthex. If you would like to include a prayer request in Sunday's prayers, please email Pastor pastor@eternalsavior-lutheran.org or secretary secretary@eternalsavior-lutheran.org

Parking spaces in front of the church should be reserved for those members and visitors that need to park close to the building due to health concerns or weather. Please be considerate and leave these spaces to those who need them most.

Large print worship service folders and assisted listening devices are available. Please ask an usher if needed.

Dear friends in the Savior: The materials emailed out to you regarding the pastoral transition process are stored on the Google drive at this location: <https://bit.ly/ESLC-Pastoral-Transition> This is also where you will be able to access any updates! Tom and Keith

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Reredos Committee

What is a reredos? It's an ornamental wall or screen behind the altar. When we built this church (already 15 years ago!) we had planned that at some point we would do something more with the wall behind the altar - the reredos. We do have some funding available for this project in the form of memorial funds specifically designated for this purpose.

Reredos Committee - The Reredos Committee has had its third meeting with more discussion on the wall design. A spreadsheet has been posted on google drive for committee members to note their preferences for different design elements We plan to meet once per month. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Robin Warnken.

Eternal Savior's 50th Anniversary: 2021 marks the 50th anniversary of Eternal Savior. We are forming a committee to plan our celebrations and create a photo/video history. If you would be interested in helping with this effort, please contact Laura Raben at lauraannraben@gmail.com or 720-984-8156.

Gather Your Photos: Do you have photos from past church events? We would love to include them in our 50th anniversary celebration. Please share them with Laura Raben. If you have prints, we can scan and return them.

Quilting. The quilters have started up again after the COVID-19 break. Most of us kept busy at home during Covid time. Orphan Grain Train picked up 111 baby quilts and 26 full quilts in 2020 and picked up another 21 boxes early this June, which included 36 full and 29 baby quilts. Added to the previous years this gives a grand total of 1,356 quilts delivered to Orphan Grain Train. We meet every **Thursday** morning at church from **9:30 till 11:30 am**. We always welcome new people. We tie our quilts so you don't have to know how to "quilt". Come and play with fabric and make some new friends! See Diane Oehlkers 303-666-9627 for more information.

The Deacon's Fund supports Emergency Family Assistance, ULC, and other charities as well. All of these funds will be used to alleviate the needs of people who are in very vulnerable circumstances. The agencies have expressed great gratitude. We are only able to do this because of the generous and faithful contributions of you, our dear members, to the Deacon's Fund! Please consider contributing via your offering envelopes or in the Deacons' Fund collector in the Narthex! Thanks!!!

King Soopers has changed their system for charitable donations. We are now enrolled in the King Soopers Community Rewards program! To register for the program go to <http://www.kingsoopers.com>. Click on the "create an account" button or the "sign in" on the right hand side of the page. If you are creating an account, you will fill in your information, including a valid email address and a King Soopers loyalty card. Once you have created an account click on the "save" link in the upper left, and then on King Soopers Community Rewards link. Then click on "enroll" and you will be able to search for groups. Use Eternal Savior Lutheran Church or SL909 to link your card to Eternal Savior. **Once enrolled, a percentage of all your purchases will go to our Youth Group every time you use in your loyalty card!**
Thanks!!!!

SERVANT SCHEDULE

SERVING IN OCTOBER

Sunday, October 3

Organist	Linda Thompson
Usher(s)	Keith Cowley, Paul Reuer
Greeter(s)	Teri Nagel
Counter(s)	Sam & Lynn Kelley
Elder(s)	Roger Landowski, Kirk Anderson
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	OPEN
Lawn/Snow	OPEN
Flowers	OPEN

Sunday, October 10

Organist	Marge Paugh
Cantor	OPEN
Usher(s)	John Reuer, Ryan Lambrecht
Greeter(s)	Keith & Polly Cowley
Counter(s)	Marge Paugh, Jayne Rhode
Elder(s)	Roger Landowski (r), Kirk Anderson
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	OPEN
Lawn/Snow	OPEN
Flowers	Oehlkers

Sunday, October 17

Organist	Marge Paugh
Usher(s)	John Reuer, Ryan Lambrecht
Greeter(s)	Jeff & Larissa Reuer
Counter(s)	Marge Paugh, Jayne Rhode
Elder(s)	Jeff Reuer, Kirk Anderson

Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	OPEN
Lawn/Snow	OPEN
Flowers	Lambrecht

Sunday, October 24

Organist	Linda Thompson
Cantor	OPEN
Usher(s)	Marc Ertle, Tom Stahly
Greeter(s)	Sam & Lynn Kelley
Counter(s)	Jayne Rhode
Elder(s)	Wayne Thomas (r), R. Lambrecht
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	OPEN
Lawn/Snow	OPEN
Flowers	OPEN

Sunday, October 31

Organist	Linda Thompson
Usher(s)	Marc Ertle, Tom Stahly
Greeter(s)	Bob & Brenda Vieyra
Counter(s)	Mark & Mary Bunge
Elder(s)	Reff Reuer, Kirk Anderson
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	David Sherrets
Lawn/Snow	OPEN
Flowers	OPEN

As we move toward re-normalizing worship in the next few weeks, this is a great time to begin thinking about your participation in the various servant roles. We would like to begin utilizing Greeters again, and Ushers, as well as Sound Booth operators! **We are in need of Counters and Greeters!** If you are on the servant list, and are comfortable with being present at worship, please give consideration to taking up these tasks again! There are other roles that are not signed up for, like altar, flowers, and snow removal. Also, please consider that we are entering the growing season and will need to have volunteers taking care of lawn and property! Thanks, in advance, for your willingness to serve!

Here is a message from Jayne Rhode:

Thank you all for your willingness to serve Eternal Savior in this manner.

If for any reason you're unable to serve on the dates that you are scheduled for please arrange coverage by calling someone else on this list. Generally speaking, I'm able to help even last minute.

October 3rd - Sam & Lynn Kelley
October 10th - Marge Paugh & Jayne Rhode
October 17th - Marge Paugh & Jayne Rhode
October 24th - Jayne Rhode
October 31st - Mark & Mary Bunge

November 7th - Sam & Lynn Kelley
November 14th - Sam & Lynn Kelley
November 21st - Marge Paugh & Jayne Rhode
November 28th - Marge Paugh & Jayne Rhode

Bunge- 303-466-6172 (home)
Kelley-720-425-3388 (home)
Cindy Stahly- 303-664-0450 (home), 303-921-9163 (cell)
Marge Paugh- 303-430-5633 (home)
Jayne- 303-776-9817 (home), 303-775-7058 (cell)

October 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:30 AM Bible Class	4	5 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline	6 1:00-4:00 PM Winkel @Beautiful Savior 7:00 PM Bible Study	7 11:00 AM Bible Study 5:00 PM Confirmation	8	9
10 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:30 AM Bible Class 11:40 AM Church Council	11	12 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline 7:00 PM Elders	13 7:00 PM Bible Study	14 11:00 AM Bible Study 5:00 PM Confirmation	15	16
17 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:30 AM Bible Class 11:40 AM Deacons	18	19 9:00 AM Bulletin /Newsletter Deadline	20 ← 1:00 PM Pastor's Conference	21 6:45 PM Trustees -----	22 9:00 AM Church Workday 12:00 PM Pastor's Conference ->	23
24 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:30 AM Bible Class	25	26 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline	27 7:00 PM Bible Study	28 11:00 AM Bible Study 5:00 PM Confirmation	29	30
31 Reformation Day 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:30 AM Bible Class						

For livestreaming video, please go to church's Facebook page www.facebook.com/EternalSaviorLutheran or ESLC website <https://eternalsavior-lutheran.org/>



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

Pray For Us Calendar

HOLY BAPTISM — OCTOBER 1-15

Water and Word wash us into Christ's death and resurrection. "Baptism ... now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 3:21). We daily remember our Baptism through repentance and forgiveness in the cross of Christ. Through our Baptism, we are brought into the Church, the Body of Christ. As we pray, we rejoice in God's gift of Baptism and continue to rejoice in the gifts of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life granted to us in Word and Sacrament.

Remember God's gift of Baptism as you pray:

- 1.** Thank God for His gifts of Word and Sacrament, that through these means God freely gives His grace to sinners by faith.
- 2.** Thank God for the gift of Baptism, that His Word works through the water to join us to Christ's death and resurrection.
- 3.** Thank God for the gift of Baptism, that His Word combines with the water to deliver forgiveness and eternal life.

4. Rejoice that the Holy Spirit gives faith and sustains us in the faith.

5. Thank God for the gift of Baptism for adults, that those who are instructed in the faith and who were not baptized as children may receive the gift of forgiveness and life in the waters of Baptism.

6. for parents, that they might faithfully raise their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, teaching them His Word and bringing them to the Sacrament.

7. for sponsors, that they might faithfully work with parents to teach the faith to the baptized.

8. for all the baptized, that in daily repentance all might cling to God's promises of forgiveness and eternal life in Christ.

9. for all the baptized, that they might daily cling to their Baptism and hope in Christ alone.

10. for all the baptized, that the Spirit would keep the Church strong in persecution.

11. for all the baptized, that they witness to all about the death and resurrection of Jesus.

12. for all who are not baptized, that the Spirit would draw them to Christ in faith.

13. Thank God for the Baptism of Jesus, that He took on our sins to suffer in our stead.

14. Thank God for calling you to be His adopted child and heir of eternal life.

15. That Christ would return quickly, that the Church might dwell with Him in righteousness, holiness and blessedness.



THE LORD'S SUPPER — OCTOBER 16-31

Bread and wine, body and blood feed us with the food that endures to eternal life. Christ gives His body and blood to His body the Church. Those who have faith in the words, “given and shed for you” receive what those words promise, the forgiveness of sins.

Remember God's gift of the Sacrament of the Altar as you pray:

16. *Thank God for the Sacrament of the Altar, that it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine.*

17. *Rejoice that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life and salvation are given.*

18. *That God would grant us faith in His Word, that we worthily receive the Sacrament and live in repentance.*

19. *Thank God for daily bread, even the bread of life that we receive in the Sacrament.*

20. *for preparation before receiving the Sacrament, that all might receive it trusting in the Words of Christ.*

21. *Thank God for the Church and the Office of the Holy Ministry.*

22. *for the unity of the Church, that schisms might cease, and all might be united in the true faith.*

23. *that we, who are many, may see ourselves as the one Body of Christ.*

24. *for the Church, that she remains faithful to the truth of God's Word.*

25. *for the LCMS, that we might believe, teach and confess all things according to God's will.*

26. *with thanksgiving that God continues to strengthen us through His Word and Sacraments.*

27. *for those who do not belong to the Church, that God would call all to faith.*

28. *for the sustenance of the Sacrament of the Altar, that God would grant faith unto eternal life.*



29. *that after receiving Communion, all would amend their sinful lives by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

30. *that God would keep all Christians from being led*

astray by false teachings, and instead bring them to a deeper knowledge of Him.

31. *for the endurance of faith until Christ returns.*

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