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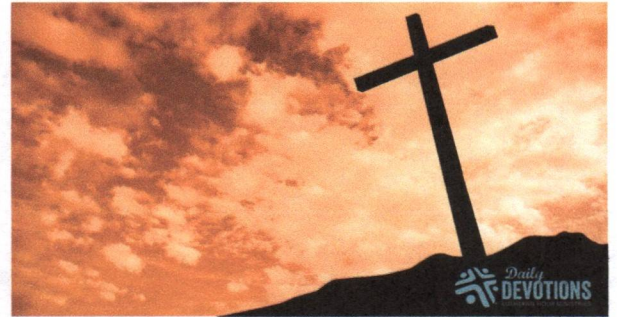


Christ is the Word! Live it!!

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*Matthew 21:23-27 - And when He [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to Him as He was teaching, and said, "By what authority are You doing these things, and who gave You this authority?" Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell Me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. The Baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And He said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."*



This passage really bugs me, because the leaders consider their answer from every angle but one: What is the truth? They plan it out like a game of chess—"If we say this to Jesus, He will say this, and that's no good; but if we say that, then the crowd will kill us." It's all political. They never stop for a moment to say, "Hey, what's the truth on this subject?"

No wonder Jesus won't answer them! They aren't looking for a true answer; they are looking for an answer they can use. And Jesus doesn't play those games.

But we do, don't we? All too often I've caught myself considering questions this way. And I forget to ask the only important question, which is, "Which is the right, true thing to do?"

Against all this, Jesus calls us to a much simpler way to live. "Is it true?" He asks. "Is it right? Is it what God wants from you?" Those are the questions that matter. In the eyes of the world they may make us look childish, unsophisticated, unworldly; but that's okay. In Jesus' eyes, they are the questions that mark a faithful Christian.

It doesn't really matter if the world thinks we are too naïve to live; we care about Jesus' opinion. And He is the One who called Himself the Way, the Truth, and the Life. So, how can we go wrong, following the truth? Let's forget the world and all its scheming, and follow Jesus—the One who loves us so much He lay down His life for us. That's something the world has never done, and never will do. But Jesus has. He gave Himself for us on the cross, so that we might share in His resurrection and live forever as children of God. Because of Him, we live in the light of truth—not in the shadows of scheming and plotting. Now that's worth celebrating!

**WE PRAY:** Dear Lord Jesus, turn my heart to follow You in truth and gladness. Amen.

**Bits 'N Pieces.....**

**LMM** – Will meet October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. Cooks for this month are Terry Crone and Dalton Shealy. All Lutheran men are invited.

**Homecoming/Golden Age Sunday – October 8<sup>th</sup>** – Pastor Arden Hallman and his wife Jean will be returning to us as our guest pastor. Please spread the word to all family members and past members. WELCA will be providing a catered meal for everyone. Please sign up in the Narthex for yourself and anyone you might know that will be visiting. Thank you.

**WELCA Fall Festival – October 28<sup>th</sup>**- 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This will be opened to the community so plan on coming and joining in the fun and fellowship. We will be having a Trick or Trunk, games, pumpkin painting, a hayride, and we will be serving hotdogs. Come and bring a friend.

**Holy Land Travel Opportunity** – “Five gospels record the life of Jesus. Four you will find in books and the one you will find in the land they call Holy. Read the fifth gospel and the world of the four will open to you.” – St. Jerome (347-420 A.D.)  
Rev. Bobby Morris (Mt. Pilgrim, Prosperity and Old Testament professor at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary) will be teaching an “Advent Pilgrimage Into the Fifth Gospel” this December 4-16. Pastor Bobby has traveled and taught in the Middle East since 1998 and is excited to offer this travel experience at a special price and special time of year and with the special opportunity to travel and interact with some of our students from Southern Seminary in Columbia, as well as pastors and individuals from across the SC Synod.  
Following is a link to the information/registration page online, where you will also find an orange button/link to download the full brochure:  
<https://www.jcbs.org/tours/jc23120423m56135> You may also contact Pastor Bobby Morris at 803-271-2777 or [bobbymorris@outlook.com](mailto:bobbymorris@outlook.com)

**Reuben Backpack Food Program** – The SOW Committee will again be sponsoring at-need students at Reuben Elementary School during the 2023-2024 year with the Reuben Backpack Food Program. Distribution of the packed bags will begin September 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to assist with delivering the food bags to Reuben please let Anna Bedenbaugh know. Through letters from families, as well as messages of appreciation from the school administration, this program has made a difference. Your monetary donations help support the children of the community.

**Manna House** – Food pantry is accepting monetary donations which can be sent to Manna House, c/o Sue J. Mitchell, 2210 Timber Lane, Newberry, SC 29108. Food supplies are currently low. Nonperishable food items are being accepted as well as dish and laundry detergent. There is a basket in our Narthex that you may put your donations in and the SOW Committee will take them to Manna House for you. For info call (803) 321-2155.



**MEMORIALS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023**

**In Honor of  
Hannah & Ali Chapman  
&  
Clayton Smith**

Patricia Amick





Homecoming / Golden Age Sunday 2023

October 8, 2023

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

WELCA will provide a lunch at 12:00 Noon.

We will welcome

Rev. Arden Hallman and his wife Jean  
back as our guest Pastor.

Please spread the word to all family members,  
past member, and everyone in the community.



WELCA Fall Festaival




October 28, 2023

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Church Parking Lot

Trick or Trunk,  
Games, Pumpkin painting, Hay Ride  
and Hot Dogs.

Please plan to attend this community outreach  
event and join in the fun and fellowship!



# WELCA Dates

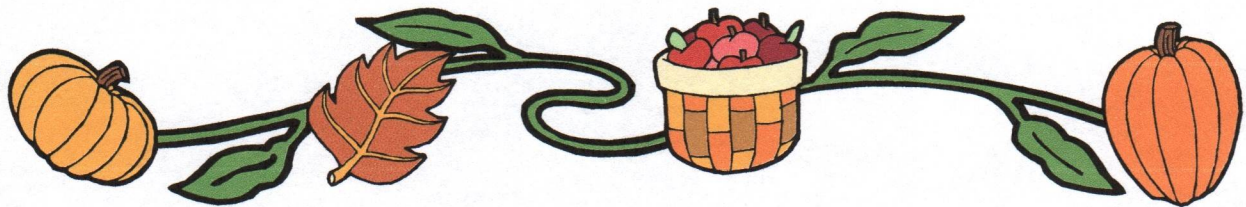
## GENERAL MEETING

October 15, 2023

3:30 PM

Fellowship Hall

Group II Hostess



WELCA would like to invite & encourage all women of the church to join a circle. This is a wonderful outreach program.

**SERVING GOD IN OCTOBER 2023**

*If a conflict arises and you cannot serve on the appointed date, please find a replacement. Each person and their duty is vitally important to the worship service. \* Head Usher, \*\* Greeter. Thank You for serving.*

**Ushers**

Dalton Shealy \*  
Helen Shealy \*\*  
Lindsay Piersol  
Terry Crone

**Communion Steward**

1<sup>st</sup> Brandy Wix  
29<sup>th</sup> Nancy Ruff (Reformation)

**Locking of Church**

Terry Crone

**Offering Tabulators**

Jerry Willingham  
Jay Piersol

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**Lay Reader**

Oct 1 Austin Willingham  
8 Kim Crone (Homecoming)  
15 Casey Lybrand  
22 Johnny Hayes  
29 Betsy Smith (Reformation)



**Altar Flowers**

Janice & Jerry Havird  
Betsy & Christopher Smith  
Brandy Wix  
Alana & Bryan West  
Nick & Jessica Piersol



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**Acolyte**

Oct 1 Bryce Willingham  
8 Bryce Willingham  
15 Griffin Wix  
22 Griffin Wix  
29 Griffin Wix



**Crucifer**

Hunter Piersol  
Hunter Piersol (Homecoming)  
Chase Lybrand  
Chase Lybrand  
Hunter Piersol (Reformation)

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**Happy Birthday to the following.....**

Oct 7	Mary Ann Hayes	18	Kamden Wix
10	Patsy Epting	23	Melvin Epting
12	Susie Epting		
16	Johnnie Wix		



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**Happy Anniversary to the following.....**

Oct 1 Katherine & Brad Cook  
18 Alana & Bryan West



*Anyone missing? Please let us know. We want to recognize everyone! Also if you see an error, please call Mary Willingham (944-9191.) Thank you.*

# October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11 am Worship/ Communion	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 <b>Homecoming</b> 8:30 am Council 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11 am Worship 12 pm Lunch	9	10	11 7 pm LMM	12	13	14
15 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11 am Worship 3:30 pm WELCA General Meeting	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11 am Worship	23	24	25	26	27	28 WELCA Fall Festival 5 pm - 8 pm
29 <b>Reformation Sunday</b> 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11 am Worship/ Communion	30	31				

