

Christ Jesus Has Paid the Cost of Discipleship for You

A disciple of Jesus Christ will “bear his own cross” (Luke 14:27) and follow the Lord through death into life. Discipleship is costly because it crucifies the old man with “all that he has” (Luke 14:33), in order to raise up the new man in Christ. The disciple disavows “his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life” (Luke 14:26), in deference to Christ. That way of the cross is impossible, except that Christ Jesus has already paid the cost. His cross is set before you as “life and good, death and evil” (Deut. 30:15). Taking up His cross is to “choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him” (Deut. 30:19–20). To live that life in Christ is also to bear His cross in love, “that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord” (Philemon 14).

SERVING US IN WORSHIP THIS WEEK

- Preacher:** Rev. Zachary DeArmond  
**Organist:** Kim Woller  
**Elders:** Thurs: Lee Roloff  
8:00am: Jack Welter  
10:30am: Bob Kunz & Sean Malone  
**Ushers:** Thurs: Team 7-Roloff  
8:00am: Team 1-Saeger  
10:30am: Team 2-Malone  
**Lay Readers:** 8:00am: Carol Wondisford  
10:30am: Sean Malone  
**Acolytes:** Thurs: Sam Greene  
8:00am: Sophia Boettcher  
10:30am: Kaitlyn Butzlaff  
**Altar Guild:** Kathy Rettig and Linda Wendorf  
**Greeters:** 8:00am Julianne Boerner  
10:30am Kathy Herbst  
**Fellowship:** Education Hour Kick-Off

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR SEPT 5<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>

- FRI** 6:00pm Craft Night  
**SUN** 8:00am Worship and Communion  
9:15am Education Hour  
10:30am Worship and Communion  
6:00pm Youth Group  
**TUES** 7:00am Bible Study  
9:00am Ladies Bible Study  
6:30pm Women’s Home Bible Study  
**WED** 9:00am Quilters  
7:00pm Bible Study  
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal  
**THURS** 9:30am Bible Study  
6:30pm Worship and Communion  
**SAT** 8:30am Men’s Bible Study  
**SUN** 8:00am Worship and Communion  
9:15am Education Hour  
10:30am Worship and Communion

## **WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION**

**EDUCATION HOUR KICK-OFF:** Members of all ages are invited to join us on Sunday, September 7th at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall as we kick-off another year of education within the church! We'll introduce our Sunday School and Bible Study teachers, hear about all the Bible Studies Blessed Savior will offer this fall, and enjoy our world-famous waffle bar.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** for all 3-year-olds through 8th grade begins on Sunday, September 7th with our kickoff event at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall!

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Join us, beginning on Sunday, September 14th, as we take a look at the complete story of the Bible from Genesis-Revelation as one seamless story! We will meet at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall.

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** on Paul's letter to the Corinthians begins on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00am in the Church Library. Please let Duane Graf know if you plan to attend. (This is the same Bible Study that is offered on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm)

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** will begin meeting on Tuesday, September 9th at 9am. Please join us as we work through the series "The Chosen".

**WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY** will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm and will be studying Hebrews. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the Church Office more information.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** on Paul's letter to the Corinthians begins on Wednesday, September 10th at 7:00pm in the Church Library. Please let Duane Graf know if you plan to attend. (This is the same Bible Study that is offered on Tuesday mornings at 7:00am)

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** will spend time taking a longer look at the readings on Thursdays at 9:30am. Class will begin on Thursday, September 11th in the Fellowship Hall.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 8:30am-10:00am and will be looking into what is so amazing about grace in the study "Grace, Period. Living in the Amazing Reality of Jesus' Finished Work".

## **CHARITABLE INFORMATION**

**THIRD QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS:** Third Quarter Special Missions will support the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Portugal (IELP). The church has two active pastors, Rev. Adalberto Hiller and Rev. Rony Marquardt. Both men graduated with Pastor Martinho Sander from Concordia Seminary, Porto Alegre, Brazil, in 1983. The IELP has three congregations, 145 baptized members and 112 communicant members. The IELP was founded in 1959 as a mission outreach of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil (IELB). The ministry has flourished in recent years under the leadership of its pastors. As the church continues to grow, projects come up and financial assistance is welcomed. Donations to special missions will help cover the cost of hymnals, Bibles, a projector, and communion ware. To learn more you can visit <https://ilcouncil.org/members/europe/portugal/> or ask Pastor Sander about it!

**DOOR OFFERING FOR JOURNEY'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL:** Today we are collecting a door offering to benefit Journey's Lutheran School in Hales Corners. Journey's serves students ages 8-21 who have unique learning challenges, so that they are able to have a full school and learning experience. During the heavy rains a few weeks ago, they suffered catastrophic flooding, with damages totaling close to a million dollars. All funds raised at our door offering will go toward their rebuilding efforts.

## **CHURCH INFORMATION**

**ONLINE GIVING:** If you are interested in signing up for Vanco, our online giving program, or if you would like to make changes to the amount you give through Vanco, please contact Tami in the church office by September 10.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Throughout September we will be collecting clothing and accessories such as shirts, socks, undergarments, flip flops, sunglasses, hats, and hair accessories. Donations can be placed in the bin in the Narthex!

**CHILDCARE TEAM:** We are looking to add individuals that are caring, outgoing, passionate, energetic, and love working with children to our childcare team for the 2025-2026 school year, specifically as part-time work in the afternoon. Coursework and/or experience in this field is preferred, CPR and first aid are a must. Contact Jennifer Leinss at [jleinss82@gmail.com](mailto:jleinss82@gmail.com).

**RAISE RIGHT:** Raise Right gift cards make great gifts, as well as the perfect way to pay for everyday things like gas, groceries, and dinner! To order your gift cards, please fill out the order form (found by the bulletin boards in the hallway) and leave it with your cash or check in the "Raise Right" mailbox on the north side of the Narthex. Orders are placed on Monday mornings and are available for pick up on Thursday afternoon.

**PLASTIC DONATIONS:** We thank you for your overwhelming support of our plastic recycling donations! We have reached our goal for park benches and will no longer be collecting. We are still collecting plastic grocery bags, which can be turned into mats for the homeless.

**FELLOWSHIP SNACKS:** If you are interested in providing some treats between services, please sign up on the bulletin board. We will resume fellowship coffee and snacks on September 14th.

**BOWLING WITH A MISSION:** Loved Ministries is hosting a "Bowling with a Mission" fundraiser at New Berlin Bowl on Sunday, September 21st. Cost is \$25 and includes 2 games of bowling and shoe rental. There will be raffles, a silent auction, and face painting. More information can be found at [www.lovedwi.org](http://www.lovedwi.org).

**CARE AND SHARE MEETING:** If you would be interested in learning more about what our Care and Share Committee does, or how you can be involved, please join us on Monday, September 15th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**FREE SHIRTS:** We have a plethora of Thrivent shirts and some past event t-shirts available for you to take in the Fellowship Hall! Sizes range from youth small-2XL.

**LWML FALL RETREAT:** You are invited to the LWML Fall Retreat for the South Wisconsin District on September 26-27 at the Embassy Suites in Brookfield. Donna Snow will be the keynote speaker and will be talking about the Armor of God. For more information on registration, please visit: [www.lwml-swd.org/events/retreat](http://www.lwml-swd.org/events/retreat).

**LANDSCAPING THANK YOU:** Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to work in our gardens around church! We appreciate you and all your work! We do still need some additional volunteers, specifically to care for the rose garden. If you are interested, please contact Anita Burow.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:** Make sure you stop by the Scholastic Book Fair in Oswald Hall next Sunday, September 14th before and after services! There will be books available for a wide range of ages from Preschool-Middle School, and even some for adults!

**YOUTH GROUP:** All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us from 6-8pm on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> as we enjoy a bonfire and outdoor games.

## **PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS**

**We pray for our members:**

Charles Boie   Shari Schulz

**We also remember in our prayers these friends and relatives of our members:**

Phillip   Pastor Alex   Dan Sr.   Mary   Paul   Gabe   Ellie   Rich   Sandi   John   Tobias   Lila

**We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military:**

Corwyn   Erika   Carlos   Mary   Darren

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday, 8am-4:30pm

*If you need to contact the Pastor after office hours, please call the Church Office and follow the prompts on the phone.*

**Attendance:** 193

**Offerings:** \$5,949

**Needed Weekly:** \$12,535.15

## **BLESSED SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

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