Order of Worship

20th Sunday after Pentecost 11 October 2026 9:00 am

Our service is broadcast live on radio 106.3 FM at 10:05 am and is live streamed on YouTube and the Lake Street UMC Facebook page

TFWS Hymns are from "The Faith We Sing" (black) hymnal
Musicians: Edna Sahs, organist; Rebecca Lawrence, pianist

Hearing Devices are available in the Narthex (north entrance). Please ask an usher for assistance.

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts.
We confess that we have been quick to transgress your laws
And slow in your worship and service.
Forgive us, O Lord, that being delivered from the bondage of sin
We may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silence

Pastor: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **Amen.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 1*

Blessed is the one who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked,
Nor stands in the way of sinners,
Nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
But whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
And in his law meditates day and night.
That one will be like a tree planted by rivers of water,
Yielding fruit in its season, its leaves never withering.

*OPENING HYMN #576 "Rise Up, O Men of God"

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Mighty Power of God" – arr. Mark Hayes
Ellesi; Kathy Amundson-Forsberg, director

CHILDREN'S TIME

A TIME OF PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Traditional text*

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. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE *TFWS* #2195 "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
In the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Idyll of Praise" – Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir; Kathy Amundson-Forsberg, director

A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 17:5-10

SERMON (1) "Duty" Pastor Jerry

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Chronicles 31:2-10

God's word for all God's people.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON (2) "Duty and Giving"

*HYMN *TFWS* #2175 "Together We Serve"

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE
Please complete the Connect Card insert found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY

*PRESENTING OUR GIFTS #399 (st. 2) "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be, filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

It is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, O God. Receive these gifts as a part of that duty and an expression of that joy. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN #670 "Go Forth for God"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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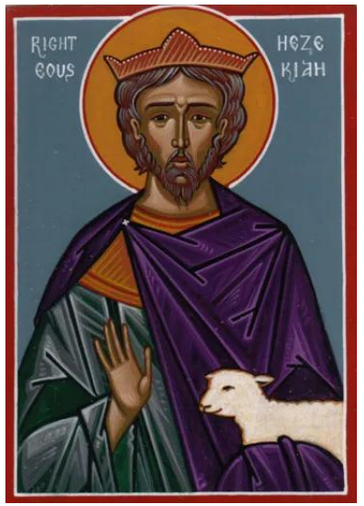

"Duty"
Luke 17:5-10; 2 Chronicles 31:2-10

Christ-followers living God's love"

11 October 2026

LAKE STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Pastor: Jerry Morris

chip cookies, pumpkin raisin bread, or peanut butter fudge) Include a list of main ingredients – especially if there are nuts or not.

- **DO NOT PRICE BAKED GOODS OR CANDY – we will price them to assure pricing is the same for items that are similar in size and ingredients.**
- Use a black marker or pen to label **items other than baked goods and candy** with what the item is and a price. (Ex: Strawberry jam $5.00)

Cards can be priced on the back with a pencil as has been done in the past.

Come early to shop to insure the best selection of many of the favorites from the pas. Invite someone to come with you to this important event that helps to fulfill the financial pledge of UWF to missions for needs in the community non-profits

This Week at the Lake

Sunday, October 11th, 2026 —
Mission *Emphasis: The Community Table*

9:00a **Worship with livestream on Facebook and YouTube; Nursery Available;**
10:00a Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
10:05a Radio Ministry (880AM or 106.3FM)
10:15a Children's Education ((102/103)
10:15a Confirmation/Youth (Fireside Lib)
10:15a` Celebration Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30a Bible Group (Conference Room)
3:00p Souleng Ministry (Chapel)
5:00p Girl Scout Troop 35114/3324 (Rooms 101/102/103/Dockside)

Monday, October 12th, 2026
10:00a Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
10:00a Fellow Hall (ADRC Brain/Body Cls)
3:00p Staff Parish (Conf Room/online)
4:15p Fellowship Hall (ADK Group)
6:00p Welcome and Worship (Room 202)
6:15p Pack 128 Meeting (101/102/103)

Tuesday, October 13th, 2026
9:30a Room 202 (ADRC Stepping On Cls)
10:00a Friends at the Lake (Fellowship Hall)
1:00p Friends Support Group (Fireside Lib)
1:30p Room 202 (ADRC Powerful Tools for Caregivers)
6:00p Communications (online)
6:30p Lounge in Use (Tues Women's NA)
7:00p Fellowship H14ll (EC Male Chorus)

Wednesday, October 14th, 2026
9:00a The Community Table
10:00a Fellow Hall (ADRC Brain/Body Cls)
3:00p Scripture 101 New Testament (Fireside Library)
6:5p Ellesi Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
6:15p Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:30p Fireside Library (Wed NA Group)
7:00p Chancel Choir (Fellowship Hall)
8:00p Ensemble Rehearsal (Fellow Hall)

Thursday, October 15th, 2026
7:30a MAP [Men at Prayer] (Fireside Lib)
9:00a Quilters (Room

Friday, October 16th, 2026
9:00a Kairos Community School
6:00p Fireside Library In Use (Healing Hearts Grief Support Group)

Saturday, October 17th, 2026
10:00a Huntington's Group (Room 202)
12:00p Fireside Lib (Sat NA Group)
6:00p Living Room Worship on Facebook

Sunday, October 18th, 2026 — 9:00 am
Message: "Giving Out Of Joy"
— Texts: 2nd Corinthians 9:1-10

Online Giving allows for automatic donations using checking account or credit/ debit card? Visit Online Giving at www.lakestreetumc.org/give. Use the QR code here or text 844-804-9791

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Raise Right (formerly Scrip)

STOP AT THE TABLE
►REMEMBER TODAY IS PICK UP DAY!
We continue to grow the inventory of cards in stock and can order many others. Some examples are Festival and Woodman's. Place your order at the table or call, text or email Al by Sunday afternoon.
Weisenbecka@gmail.com
715-271-6354
Thank you for your support!

Short Circuit — October 11, 2026

Lake Street United Methodist Church

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A Welcome to Our Guests

We're glad you're with us today. Our goal here at Lake Street is to welcome all people in Christ's love, regardless of age, gender, sexuality, race, ability, or anything else that divides people.

Worship Aids

Bulletins are available from ushers at both entrances. The readings and prayers are printed there, but will also be projected on screens. Pictorial bulletins for non-readers are also available.

Hearing devices tied to the sound system are available at the Lake Street door. Just ask an usher for help.

Children and Families

Parents are welcome to keep their children with them in worship. Don't worry about the wiggles. At the back of the sanctuary is an area for children, and individual activity boxes for each child. For more privacy, the service is also being streamed in the library—out the side door and up the ramp. There are also some children's toys and activities available in the library. During the service, a "Children's Moment" is offered in worship, and all ages are welcome up front.

Connect Card

The insert in the bulletin is a way for our members to sign in, and there is also a place where you may leave contact information, if you like, so that we may welcome you more than once.

Coffee Fellowship

You are invited to a coffee fellowship at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall, by the parking lot doors.

Communion

We usually serve Communion on the first Sunday of the month. We use grape juice and gluten-free bread, to include everyone, and all who are seeking God, of any age, are welcome at Christ's table.

Community of Worship

As the upcoming days grow cooler and autumn moves forward, bless our worship, God of all seasons, with the warmth of your love.

Worship Leader: Rev. Jerry Morris; ●Organist: Edna Sahs; ●Pianist: Rebecca Lawrence; ●Liturgist: Jill Weisenbeck; ●Song Leader: Kathy Gierhart; ●Choirs Director: Kathy Amundson-Forsberg; ●Tech Crew: Daniel Klingensmith, Aaron Athas, Per Forsberg, Derek Brost, Logan Wallace, Greg Wallace; ●Altar Design: Pat Peterson.

Worship Notes

October is a busy month in the church in terms of spiritual formation (resuming regular and special education programs) and administration (preparing budgets and leadership for the following year) to be approved at the annual Church Conference), but it is fairly relaxed in terms of worship. Yes, our choirs and ensembles are meeting again and preparing special music for our worship services, but those services are normal.

Ushering Opportunities

In your October ***Circuit Rider*** check out the opportunities to assist our worship experience by ushering.

Community of Inclusive Welcome

Coffee Fellowship

All are invited to a time of gathering and gabbing in the Fellowship Hall after worship

Prayer Ministries

One way faith communities grow in care for one another is through our e-mail prayer chain. Sign-up on the Connect Card insert.

Fun (ding) and Fellowship (Hall)

Please take few moments to review the backside of our Connect Card for info about our upcoming Capital Campaign for Fellowship Hall. You will want to be a part of it!

How many ways can you keep 15 people entertained on a Tuesday?

When Friends at the Lake began in October 2024, we started with three Friends. Today, 21 Friends are signed up, with around 15 joining us on a typical Tuesday.

In less than two years, we have enjoyed more than 150 different activities, completed over 140 art projects, and sung more songs than we could possibly count. We have bowled, played KUBB, tossed bean bags, exercised, played games, created art, written poems, and laughed—a lot!

Our wonderful volunteers bring their talents, ideas, and willingness to jump into whatever we are doing that day. There is no telling what a Tuesday at the Lake will bring, but we know it will include friendship, fun, and plenty of laughter.

What started with three Friends has grown into something pretty special. And I can't wait to see what we come up with next!

Contact: Laurie Van Beek — 715-832-6603
Laurievb@lakestreetumc.org

Pancakes Breakfast — October 18th

Bring your appetite along next Sunday the 18th to enjoy delicious pancakes and French Toast with all the trimmings.

UWF Program — October 21st

Join us on October 21st at ***1:00 pm*** for a program presented by the ***Threshold Singers,*** a group of women who sing healing and palliative songs for people who are seriously ill, dying or grieving. Learn more about this caring group and hear some of their songs. All arewelcome to attend. Dessert will be served following the program

Stampers Update

We will not meet in October as we made Halloween AND Thanksgiving cards at the September meeting. Thanks to all who stayed longer to make this happen. And to Brenda for the beautiful designs.

Community of Spiritual Formation

Sunday School Classes

Sunday School continues and we are excited to have gotten started again! Our first lesson took us s back to the very beginning as we explored the ***Creation Story.*** As we continue our journey to discover what the Bible is all bout, please remember to bring your Bible with you each Sunday. We can't wait to learn, grow and explore God's Word together.

►***Today,*** October 11th We will study the Sun, Moon and Stars

►October 18th —Assisting with Pancake Breakfast

►October2 5th — Wrapping Up our unit on God's Creation.

Confirmation and Youth

Our confirmation class, open to youth of all ages, also continues at 10:15 am in the Fireside Library. Last year we focused on understanding the Bible. This year we're going to try to understand church. Come join us!

Scripture 101 The New Testament

Last spring, Pastor Jerry led a survey class on the first part of our Bible, the Old Testament, covering back ground and central themes and some of the challenges. This fall, he will do the same for the New Testament. The class continues on ***Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 pm in the Fireside Library.***

►October 14th — Epistles

►October 21st — Canon (how the Bible as we know it came together.)

You don't have to attend every session — drop in any afternoon.

Sunday Bible Group

The Sunday Morning Study Group which meets in the conference room after worship is studying the book ***God's Ghostwriters; Enslaved Christians and the Making of the Bible*** by Dr. Candida Moss. Explore how our Bible came to be and imagine what that means for us when we read it today.

Community of Compassionate Outreach

October r Mission Offering —
The Community Table

.People often say that budgets are not just statements of money but statements of priorities. We think this is generally true but with some exceptions. One of the priorities of our church is serving others but our service to others is not primarily expressed in dollars and cents. It is most clearly expressed in time and effort. Nowhere is this more evident than in our church's commitment to The Community Table where a team of 8-10 volunteers cook and serve a meal every month. This past month for instance a meal of cheesy casserole, Caesar or Southwest salad, fruit salad and dessert to 117 guests. With each volunteer averaging about three hours that comes to nearly a week's worth of labor every month. That doesn't show up in a budget. In fact, even our financial gifts to the TCT aren't in the budget. Every time we volunteer, we bring a donation of $125 and that money comes from designated donations. This month our mission offering will go to our Community Table account, enabling us to give not only our time, but our financial support.

Interested in being aprt of that team? Our ***next dates to volunteer are October 14rth and November 11th***. To volunteer, contact Peter Nelson at 715-379-8135 or petermnelson@sbcglobal.net.

Harvest Market

If you are donating items to sell, here are some guidelines that will make set-up easier:

DROP OFF TIME IS FROM 3 – 6 PM ON FRIDAY, NOV. 6TH

Place baked goods or candy on a sturdy paper plate and put the plate i**n a zip lock bag** OR wrap the item(s) **securely in plastic wrap – use tape if necessary.** We will have zip lock bags available when you drop items off in case you need them.

- Label with the kind of item (Ex: chocolate

Welcome to Lake Street United Methodist Church

We're glad you're here to worship with us today!

Members and guests: please complete the "Connect Card" to help us stay connected and share ministry together. Please place the "Connect Card" in the offering plate. Thank you!

Date: Sunday – October 11th, 2026 – 9:00 am

Your Name _____

Please list anyone with you today _____

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[ ] I am / we are [ ] guest(s); [ ] member(s);

[ ] I am / We are seeking a church home and would like information. _____

_____

(contact information)

[ ] I would like to be part of the e-mail prayer chain.

E-mail _____

(your e-mail will not be shared beyond our ministry)

[ ] My / our contact information has changed. *(Please update)*

Address

_____

Primary Phone _____

[ ] I would like to order a NEW NAME TAG.

Requests for Prayer

These requests will go to our staff and to our email prayer chain, all of whom are committed to pray and to maintain confidentiality. If you request prayer for another person, to respect their privacy, we ask that you include the last name only if you have that person's permission.

Please pray for _____

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Funding and Fellowship (Hall)

You could argue that the nerve center of Lake Street Church is not the sanctuary, where we worship, but the Fellowship Hall, where we do most of our ministry. In the FH we hold the IM Church for adults with disabilities, Friends at the Lake for people with dementia, Coffee Fellowship, special meals, special worship services, Lay Speaking classes, concerts and fund-raisng and more It is also used by most of the community organizations and programs that we host: the ADRC Brain and Body Fitness class, blood drives, elections, Wisconsin Conference training events, Kairos Home School Co-op, and Scouts Pinewood Derbies. As a member of our council recently put it – without the Fellowship Hall, our welcome ministry doesn't exist.

As you may know this essential space has problems - - the 30-year old air conditioner has died. We are limping along with window units for the rest of this summer, but it will have to be replaced. As you may not know the FH roof is also failing. We can continue patching for a while, and get by, but it will need more than that soon.

At the August 24th meeting of our Church Council, we approved a Capital Campaign to begin this fall and continue until the Fall of 2027. The new air conditioner is projected to cost up to $55,000 and the new roof $70,000. So the campaign goal is to raise $125, 000.

As of Sunday, September 20th, we have received $17,720 in gifts or pledges toward our $125,000 campaign goal. Some of that comes from the $7,500 that was pledged by our Welcome/Worship and Spiritual Formation teams, coming out of their designated Foundation Grants. Both teams acknowledge how important the Fellowship Hall is to their different ministries.

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Harvest Market

On November 7th UWF will again sponsor a Harvest Market featuring many of the favorites from bazars of the past. We hope ou made someof those delicious fruit jams this summer season to bring over, or for those that make beautiful cards maybe there were extras to share for the sale. We will focus mostly on bakery: candies, cards, and pantry as our display space will be limited for just the open part of Fellwship Hall. If you have craft items you would like to donate, please contact Julie Holzinger so we can try to plan space for them.

All proceeds from the Harvest Market will be used to fulfill our pledge to Missions and our donations to many local non-profit groups that we have supported for years. Thank you in advance for your faithful support of this fun and important event.

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