

Saint Luke Lutheran Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 19, 2025

The Reverend Dr. Christian Eichorn, Pastor



INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Prelude on "Laudes Domini" ("When Morning Gilds the Skies", text hymnbook #853), Joseph Barnaby, arr. Wayne Wold. Bud Esper, piano.

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We are grateful
Your participation

encouragement

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

"I Love to Tell the Story", William Fischer, arr. William Felton.

Bud Esper, organ.

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

~ Waylon Langenberg ~

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

P Who presents Waylon to be baptized?

Sponsors: We present Waylon Langenberg for baptism.

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized?

Parents: We do.

P As you bring Waylon to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Waylon grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: We do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Waylon in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: We do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Waylon and pray for him in his new life in Christ.

C We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Parents: I renounce them.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

ALL I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

ALL I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

ALL I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit and breathe new life into those who are here baptized. By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ALL Amen.

BAPTISM

P Waylon, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL Amen.

P Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy. Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your son new birth, cleanse him from sin and raise him to eternal life. Sustain Waylon, with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of council and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

ALL Amen.

P Waylon, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

ALL Amen.

WELCOME AND PRESENTATION

WA Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

ALL We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Congregation stands

GATHERING HYMN "Son of God Eternal Savior", #655

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Gloria" S-204a (*Front of hymnal, page 204*)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WA Let us pray.

C O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Congregation sits

FIRST READING ~ Genesis 32:22-31

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM ~ Psalm 121

L ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

C ² My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

L ³ The Lord will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

C ⁴ Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

L ⁵ the Lord watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

C ⁶ the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

L ⁷ The Lord will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

C ⁸ The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING ~ 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Congregation stands

"Alleluia" S-205a (*Front of hymnal, page #205*)

GOSPEL ~ Luke 18:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Congregation sits

+ SERMON + THE REVEREND DR. CHRISTIAN EICHORN +

Silence for reflection

Congregation stands

HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song", #808

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

WA ...God of grace,

C Receive our prayer.

P We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

PEACE & SHARE THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Congregation sits

OFFERTORY "Thy Will Be Done", Joyce Eilers,
St. Luke Voice Choir. Lori Pollard, Gordon Heitmuller, soloists.

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Congregation stands

OFFERING HYMN "Let the Vinyards Be Fruitful", #184

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Lord of the harvest,

C we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"THE GREAT THANKSGIVING" S-206 (*Front of hymnal, page #206*)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P ...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

"Holy, Holy, Holy" S-207 (*Front of hymnal, page #207*)

P ...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P ...And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

C Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

C Thanks be to God.

Congregation sits

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND WINE Our communion is open to all who are baptized.

"LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)" S-208 (*Front of hymnal, page #208*)

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Although I Speak With Angel's Tongue", #644

"Just As I Am", #592

Congregation stands

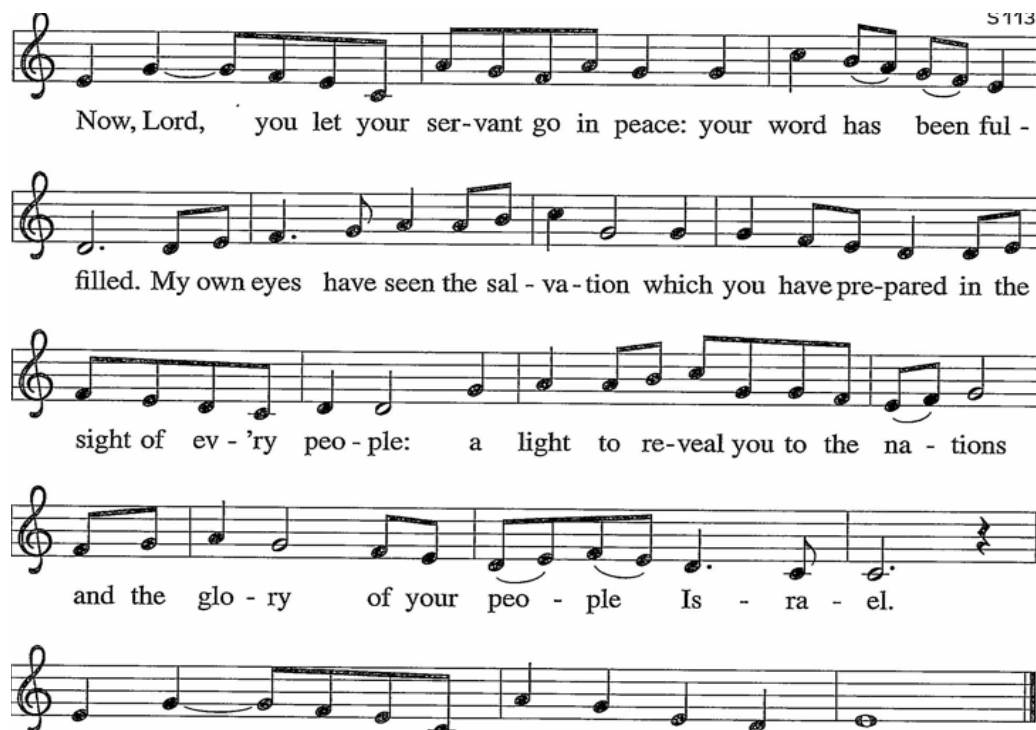
TABLE BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

"POST COMMUNION CANTICLE", S-113

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -

filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the

sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions

and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you with favor, + and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN "Blest Be the Tie That Binds", #656

DISMISSAL

WA Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

--Thank you for worshiping with us today--

The following members assisted with today's worship service with live streaming:
 Altar Guild: Lori Schneider, Dianne Ward | AV Team: Rodney & Leigh Ann Stinson
 Bulletin: Dawn Plyler ~ Cover Art: Lori Schneider | Cantor: Alice Christensen
 Church Music: Bud Esper, Director of Music | Communion Assistants: Lori Schneider, Dianne Ward | Crucifer: Jim Drake | Eucharistic Minister: Marie Keating
 Greeters: Beverly Werner, Judy Consentino | Lector: Beverly Dague | Worship Assistant: Kristen Killoran | Ushers: Karen Reynolds, Doug Snively, Beverly Werner, Richard Wood

NEW MEMBERS

Are you looking for a new church family? We'd love to help you connect with others in the church and grow in our Faith Community together. If you are thinking about joining St. Luke, please contact Pastor Eichorn at 610.393.7622 or pastoreichorn@stlukeoib.org or the Church office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please contact the church office to sponsor Sunday altar flowers.

Upcoming availability: November 2(1vase),9,23,30

Prayer List October 19, 2025

Mary Mason, Robert Borchert, Jr. Nancy Rottger, Steve Jewell, Nancy Smith, Joseph Sesack, Sandra Abbondandolo, John M. Halliday, Ken Jobst, Rose Henshaw, Terri Boone, Rosemary Carlson, Jason Magalnick, Tom Shabluk, Mike Claxton, Mike Thesfeld, Joan Schlegel, Chris Hope, Jr., Lisa Golebiowski, the family of Joan Auri, Peggi Papaj, Margaret DePue, and the hostages and people of Gaza.

For Your Information

WAYLON LANGENBERG ~ We celebrate Waylon's Baptism this morning and we welcome him into the faith community and may his journey of faith be filled with God's love and endless blessings! ~ *Pastor Eichorn and the Saint Luke Lutheran Parishioners. "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." - Mark 16:16*

***Join us for cake after service in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate
Waylon's special day! All are welcome!***

WELCOME VISITORS ~ We are so delighted you came to Saint Luke today. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship services for light refreshments and to say hello. We can't wait to meet you!

WOSL DINNER & MEETING ~ OCTOBER 20, 5PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL ~ Join us for a delicious meal and learn about the activities available at the Senior Center. See you there!

~Joyce Charity

WOSL FALL FESTIVAL ~ OCTOBER 26 ~ Church members are invited to join us and bring their favorite pumpkin or apple dessert during Fellowship. Our theme this year will be "Pick your Favorite Team ~ Team Pumpkin or Team Apple." Sign up on the community board by TODAY!

REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS ~ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 ~ On All Saints Sunday, we will give thanks for the lives of the members of our congregation who have passed away since last All Saints. We will honor them and any other loved ones during our remembrance time. If you would like to share the name(s) of a loved one, please contact the church office. All are welcome to speak a name during the service, even if you do not contact the office beforehand.

WALK TO END HUNGER WITH US! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 ~ The Crop Hunger Walk (CHW) is fast approaching! Join us by walking or donating.

SAINT LUKE WELCOMES GUEST PASTORS RAY & RUTH ANN SIPE ~ Lutheran Disaster Response of the Carolina's Directors, Pastors Ray & Ruth Ann Sipe will join us Sunday, November 9. They will discuss those who are interested in preparing for disasters at home and at church. A *home preparedness* presentation will take place during Sunday School and *church preparedness* immediately following the service.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA (FOR CHRISTMAS) (WAA) ~ The American Legion Auxiliary will again participate in WAA this year. Wreaths are \$17/each. Please make your check payable to SLLC "memo line WAA" and turn into the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The deadline to purchase a wreath is Sunday, November 16. *~Thank you, Glenn Christiansen.*

WOSL CAROLINA OPRY SHOW & DINNER ~ DECEMBER 11 ~ Mark your calendar and sign up to join us as we experience the Christmas season's joyous festivities. We will dine at

Carolina Roadhouse. Cost is \$27/per person. Information for the show and the dinner menu is posted on the community board.

WOSL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ~ DECEMBER 21 ~ Mark your calendar to celebrate with us for the annual Christmas luncheon after worship service in the Fellowship Hall. Castaway Grill will cater the luncheon at a cost of \$18.50/per person with an additional cost for delivery and setup. The luncheon is provided by Saint Luke and a love offering will be collected. The menu and sign up will be posted on the community board. We are excited to celebrate the season with you!

SUPPORTING ST. LUKE MINISTRIES ~ Checks payable to SLLC with noted ministry.

- ❖ New Hymnals ... The cost is \$35/each.
- ❖ Crop Hunger Walk 2025...any gift is welcome.
- ❖ Food Lion gift cards available in the Fellowship Hall after worship services.
- ❖ Prayer Shawl Group ~ accepting donations of yarn. Drop off in the Fellowship Hall in the labeled box.

This Week at Saint Luke ~ October 2025

Sunday, October 19	9am	Adult Sunday School
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	10am	Worship Service with live streaming <i>The Baptism of Waylon Langenberg</i>
	11am	Fellowship (with cake) celebrating "Waylon"
Monday, October 20	3pm	MexTrain
	5pm	WOSL Dinner & Meeting
Tuesday, October 21	10:30am	Listening Group
	1pm	Bridge
Wednesday, October 22	10am	Prayer Service
	6pm	Handbell Choir
	7pm	Voice Choir
Thursday, October 23	10am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Friday, October 24	9am	Bible & Bagels
	10am	Line Dancing
Sunday, October 26	9am	Adult Sunday School
Reformation Sunday after Pentecost	10am	Worship service with live streaming
Wear Red	11am	Fellowship

Scripture Readings ~ October 26, 2025 ~ Reformation Sunday (wear red)

Genesis 32:22-31 | Psalm 121 | 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 | Luke 18:1-8