

## Preparation for Worship

Psalm 139:24

Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my thoughts!

See if there is any wicked way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.

## Gathering

### Cherub and Carol Choirs

We are the Children of Light -Hal H. Hopson

*We are the children of light, for Christ is the light of the world.  
We are one body. We are one hope. Join we together and sing.*

*We sing of those gone before us, whose faith has brought us this day,  
the prophets, pastors, and teachers; yes, these have shown us the Way.*

*Yes, we are saints of the present, we add new notes to the song,  
the past, the present, the future, now join, united and strong.*

## The Welcome & Opening Prayer

### \*Songs of Praise

Come Now Is The Time To Worship -Brian Doerksen

***Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.***

***One day ev'ry tongues will confess You are God.  
One day ev'ry knee will bow.  
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those  
who gladly choose You now.***

I Give Myself Away -William McDowell

***I give myself away.  
I give myself away, so You can use me.  
I give myself away.  
I give myself away, so You can use me.***

***Here I am, here I stand.  
Lord, my life is in Your hands.  
Lord, I'm longing to see  
Your desires revealed in me.***

***My life is not my own,  
To You I belong.  
I give myself,  
I give myself to You.***

### \*The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Please stand if you are able

## Children's Message

Following the Children's Message, children may go to Children's Faith Building. Pickup is at Rooms 215 & 219 for preschool - 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and Room 214 for Middle School.

This Little Light of Mine, African American Spiritual arr. John Helgen

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

## Confession and Assurance

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven:

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Song of Response

Change My Heart, O God

Hymn no. 695

***Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.  
You are the Potter; I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.***

## The Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*(Please feel free to greet one another with the peace of Christ.)*

## Reading from Scripture

Matthew 25:31-40

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Message

"Undistracted in Our Purpose"

Rev. Clint Roberts

## Joys & Concerns

## Morning Prayers

## Offering



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### \*Act of Praise

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son.**

*(repeat)*

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong";  
let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"  
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

### \*Closing Response

Leader: The cross,

**People: We shall take it;**

Leader: the bread,

**People: We shall break it;**

Leader: the pain,

**People: We shall bear it;**

Leader: the joy,

**People: We shall share it;**

Leader: the Gospel,

**People: We shall live it;**

Leader: the love,

**People: We shall give it;**

Leader: the light,

**People: We shall cherish it;**

Leader: the darkness,

**People: God shall perish it.**

### \*Song of Sending

Love the Lord -Lincoln Brewster

*Love the Lord, your God with all your heart,  
With all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.*

*Love the Lord, your God with all your heart,  
With all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.*

*With all your heart, with all your soul;*

*With all your mind, with all your strength.*

*Love the Lord, your God with all your heart,*

*With all your soul, with all your mind,*

*And with all your strength.*

### \*The Blessing

### \*Sending

## Worship Participants

Rev. Clinton G. Roberts  
Rev. Kristie W. Finley  
Jim Cochrane  
Susan Noble  
Christina Maldonado  
Nathan Fivecoate

Dr. Barry Wenger  
Cherub & Carol Choirs  
Worship Ensemble  
Rick Day, AV Support Lead  
Henry Thomas, AV Support  
Georgia Sottosanto-Sorenson, AV Support



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## This Week's Calendar

### TODAY

**8:45 AM** Nursery Open until 11:45 AM, Room 212  
**9:00** Worship, Sanctuary  
**9:15** Children's Faith Building, Rooms 215, 219  
 Middle School: 5-7<sup>th</sup> grade, Stuart Room 214  
**10:00** Lunch & Learn sign up, Lobby  
 Trunk or Treat sign up, Lobby  
 Fellowship, Great Room  
**10:30** Worship, Sanctuary  
**10:45** Children's Church, Tower Room 213  
**11:30** Reception for Dr. Barry Wenger, Great Room  
**2:00 PM** Middle School & Senior High Youth Group,  
 Fellowship Hall

### MON

**9:30 AM** Rummage Sorting, Rummage Sorting Room  
**7:00 PM** Session Meeting, Zoom

### TUE

**1:00 PM** Prayer Shawl Ministry, South Parlor  
 Adult Bible Study, Zoom  
**6:00** Lakeminster Ringers, Sanctuary  
**6:30** Buildings & Grounds Cmte. Meeting S. Parlor/Zoom  
**7:00** Women's Evening Bible Study, Zoom  
**7:30** Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

### WED

**10:00 AM** Wednesday Women's Bible Study, S. Parlor/Zoom  
**4:15 PM** Carol Choir, Music Room  
**5:00** Cherub Choir, Music Room  
 Confirmation, Stuart Room 214  
**5:30** Wednesday Night Supper, Great Room  
 Chancel Bells, Sanctuary  
**6:00** Children's Faith Building, South Parlor  
**7:00** Explorations of Faith, South Parlor/Zoom  
 Worship Ensemble Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
 Taizé Service, Chapel

### THU

**6:00 AM** Daybreakers Men's Ministry, Zoom  
**9:30** Rummage Sorting, Rummage Sorting Room  
**3:00 PM** Chapter One Book Club, Great Room  
**7:00** Sanctuary Choir, Music Room  
**7:30** Boy Scouts Committee Meeting, Parish House

### FRI

**7:00 AM** Men of Corinth, Great Room/Zoom  
**2:00 PM** Brownie Troop Meeting, Fellowship Hall

**Pastor on call:**  
Pastor Clint  
630.220.7814

Pastor Clint's  
day off: Friday

Pastor Kristie's  
day off: Friday

## Elders

Paul Bergmann  
 Renee Borkowski  
 Donna Coffin  
 Scott Crawford  
 Paul Darling  
 John Gescheidle  
 Lynnette Hinch  
 John Johnson  
 Laura Johnson  
 Sally McDonald  
 Mary Gould Moorhead  
 Brian O'Keane  
 Diane Quinn  
 Kendall Severson  
 Nina Strnad  
 David Strong  
 Sadie Strong  
 Mary Watanabe  
 Clerk  
 Anne Winebrenner

## Deacons

Bill Allen  
 Nancy Anderson  
 Carol Bagan  
 Dorothy Chantler  
 Mallory Ciarrocchi  
 Susan Daly  
 Wendy Darling  
 Peg Gronau  
 Nancy Hamming  
 Jeff Hinch  
 Cindy Johnson  
 Dick Johnson  
 Susan McDowell  
 John McNicholas  
 Susan Milanak  
 Lisa Murray  
 John Noble  
 Tiffany Notz  
 Tricia Sweet  
 Sherry Trenchard  
 Bert Tucker  
 Joan Vie  
 Gale Strenger Wayne  
 Moderator  
 Scott Weston

## Coming Up...



### Trunk or Treat

**Saturday, October 29, 4:00 - 5:30 PM**

Dress up in your Halloween costumes, and join us for a fun-filled evening for all ages with fall treats and fellowship in the Deerpath parking lot!

Sign up to decorate your parking spot, trunk, or table on the church website:  
[firstchurchlf.org/trunk-or-treat](http://firstchurchlf.org/trunk-or-treat)

### Lunch & Learn: Rev. Dr. Katie Day Sunday, October 30

Rev. Dr. Katie Day will be joining us at both services as our Guest Preacher in the pulpit. Following the 10:30 AM service, Katie Day will be leading a conversation about "Being the Body of Christ in a Violent Culture" at a Lunch & Learn. Sign up today to let us know you are coming by calling the church office or emailing Sarah Seccombe at [ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org).

### Saints & Spirits is back!

Come as you are and join friends, old and new, to kick-off a festive fall season! Bring a beverage or a ready-to-serve appetizer or dessert to share with everyone, and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship. RSVP's are encouraged: [firstchurchlf.org/saints-and-spirits](http://firstchurchlf.org/saints-and-spirits). If you have any questions, contact Sarah Seccombe at 224.544.1958 or [ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org).

## Serve, Learn & Connect

**For our weekly ministries & Zoom links**

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**Share Joys & Concerns**  
Kristie Finley 224.544.1967

**Home Communion**  
Kristie Finley 224.544.1967

**Arrange a Wedding or Baptism**  
Sarah Seccombe 224.544.1958

**Engagement & Membership**  
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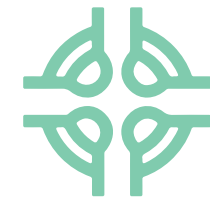
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*Welcome*  
to Sunday Worship

**October 16, 2022 | 9:00 AM**  
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