

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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20th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 6, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome (please pass the black welcome pads)

Inspired by the abundant hospitality of Jesus Christ, Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church as 'we make God known through words and deeds'.

Call to Worship

Come and worship the God who created us. We come to sing praises and offer our prayers. Come and listen to the God who speaks to us still. In the Scriptures and in the sermon we listen for God to speak to us. God is faithful and wants to speak words of life to all. We are here, O God, to listen and to obey.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**. *(Silence is kept for reflection)* Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

opening song Forever
Give thanks to the Lord Our God and King His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things His love endures forever Sing praise sing praise
With a mighty hand And an outstretched arm His love endures forever For the life that's been reborn His love endures forever Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise
(Chorus) Forever God is faithful Forever God is strong Forever God is with us Forever forever
From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever And by the grace of God
We will carry on His love endures forever Sing praise sing praise Sing praise sing praise (Chorus x2) CCLI Song # 3148428 Chris Tomlin © 2001 Rising Springs Music; Vamos Publishing; worshiptogether.com songs For use solely with the SongSelect* Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

"Forever"

Greeting

Onening Song

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

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Canticle of Praise

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

"Old-Time Gospel Medley" Arr. Sandra R. Wagner

Handbell Choir Directed by: Bev Splinter

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First Reading

Special Music

Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." ²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 8

¹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,

human beings that you should care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet: ⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

⁹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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Gospel Acclamation

"Our Father, by Whose Name"

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Children's Church

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." ¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon	"The Little Children"	Pastor Laura Overbo
Hymn of the Day	"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"	#656

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Jasper Nolan Seeman

Son of Jeremy & Becky Seeman Sponsors: Greg & Trisha Rieffenberger, Scott & Erin Calvert

Prayer Song "Lord Be Glorified" In my life Lord Be glorified be glorified In my life Lord Be glorified today CCLI Song # 26368 Bob Kilpatrick © 1978 The Lorenz Corporation For use solely with the SongSelect* Terms of Use. All rights reserved. <u>www.ccli.com</u> CCLI License # 631100

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/III:

DeAnn Fylling- Niece of Deanna & Dan Hickel, Tori Simon, Judy Cordell, Kay Sutten, Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler, Gene & Gloria Fastnacht- Friends of Rod & Doris Knight, Tim Chandler, David Norgaard- Father of Heidi (Lance) Hochstetter, Bud Webb- Friend of congregation Christy Buresh- Niece of Bernie (Kevin) Luoma

<u>Death:</u> Anthony Stavik- Son of Marilyn Linneman, Carol Lange- Sister of Joan (Carl) Hohnstadt

Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month: Cameroon Partner Ministry



Offertory Response

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Communion

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Companion Synod Sunday

Blessing

God all mighty, God most merciful 🕂 bless you, keep you, and give you peace. Amen.

Sending Song "What a Beautiful Name" You were the Word at the beginning One with God the Lord Most High Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in You our Christ What a beautiful Name it is What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a beautiful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus You brought heaven down My sin was great Your love was greater What could separate us now What a wonderful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a wonderful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus Death could not hold You The veil tore before You You silence the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring The praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again You have no rival You have no equal Now and forever God You reign Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names What a powerful Name it is What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a powerful Name it is Nothing can stand against What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus CCL/Sone#7068424Ben Fielding | Brocke Lizertwood@ 2016Hillsong MusicPublishing Australia Forusesolelwith the SoneSelect® Terms of Use All rights reserved www.rdi.com CCLL/icense#631100

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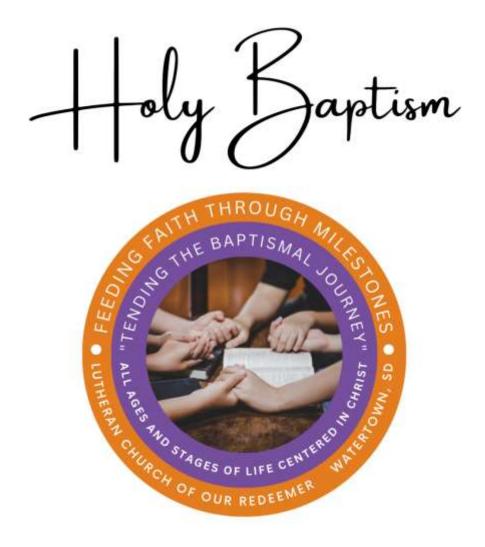
Go in peace. Follow Jesus. Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

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Serving

Preaching: Pastor Laura Overbo; Worship Team; Lector: Bev Splinter; Acolyte: Atwood Turbak;
Communion Assistants: Bev Splinter, Tammy Davis, Sarah, Emma & Chloe Ofstehage;
Ushers: Chuck Langner, Cal Wiesner & Al Raeder; Sound & Projection: Zach Stanton & Kent Anderson;
Coffee Servers: Doug & Shelly Alvine; Welcome Center: Lynn Langner & Pam Luckhurst;



Jasper Nolan Seeman October 6, 2024

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by the water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

P Who presents Jasper Nolan to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism?

Parents/Sponsors We present Jasper Nolan to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P As you bring Jasper Nolan 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 Jasper Nolan grow in Christian faith and life?

Parents We do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Jasper Nolan 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 Do you as a congregation promise to be faithful to this child and this family in all their needs, support them in their baptismal promises, and help them grow in the graciousness of our Lord Jesus Christ?

Congregation We do.

(Congregation please stand.)

Profession of Faith

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

C I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

C 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 to the dead. 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?

C 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. Amen.

(Congregation may be seated.)

P Jasper Nolan, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

P Let us pray: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Jasper Nolan with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

<u>Welcome</u>

(Presentation of the candle)

- Sponsors Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.
- P Let us welcome the newly baptized.
- C 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. Amen.

(The family and sponsors may return to their seats)

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Mark 16:16

The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned.

1 Peter 3:21

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Luke 18:15-17

People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they sternly ordered them not to do it. But Jesus called for them and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.'

John 3:3, 5

Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above. 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

Romans 6:3-5

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

OCTOBER 6, 2024 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God created us to be in relationships.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 10:2-16	Jesus blesses the children
Monday	Genesis 2:18-24	God creates a human partner
Tuesday	Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12	God has spoken through Jesus
Wednesday	1 Peter 4:7-11	Good stewards of God's grace
Thursday	Proverbs 13:20	Be wise
Friday	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Be ready for the Lord's coming
Saturday	Psalm 8	God honors humanity
Sunday	Mark 10:17-31	A rich man goes away sad

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." Genesis 2:18 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Loving God, you created us to have a relationship to you, others, and the whole earth; help us to love all that you create through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you that you care for us and give us this food that we may have strength to serve the creation you give us to cherish. In Jesus' name, amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God's care for you give you joy. (Psalm 8)



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OCTOBER 6, 2024 HYMN OF THE WEEK

Golden Breaks the Dawn



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is your favorite thing to do in God's creation?
- Where do you see the "good" in God's creation?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Genesis 2:18-24.

It is easy to miss the playfulness and depth of this creation story. First, in Genesis 2:18 we discover that, *"It is not good that the man should be alone."* The all-knowing God seems to have difficulty finding the right helper for the human (translated as "man" in the English text). All the possible helpers as partners for the human that God creates (animals of the field and birds of the air) don't work. God is playfully engaging the human to help find the right helpmate. Second, this story includes a relational depth that weaves the language of the human (*ha'adam* in the Hebrew) created out of the earth (*ha'adamah*). The female-male relationship is seen in the creation of the woman out of the rib of the human. The idea of woman as helper is not a submissive role because in the Old Testament, it is God who is seen as the helper. Genesis 2 describes humanity as intimately connected and created to form community and not to be alone. God helps us live lives deeply relational to God, one another, and the earth.

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Discuss: Where do you see the importance of relationships in God's creation?

Pray: Creator God, you intend for us to live in relationship to you, each other, and creation; heal our divisions and give a vision of the joy of life lived together in Jesus Christ. Amen.

SERVICE 🔱

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you help someone enjoy creation and daily life relationships?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Mark 10:13-16 Jesus told the people to bring the children to him. He placed his hands on the little children and blessed them. One of the most significant spiritual acts a parent, grandparent, or other adult can do for and with a child is to regularly bless them. When we bless a child of God of any age we declare and convey God's favor to them and give them the hope and assurance of God's loving care. Bless a child of God using the words from *A Blessing to Give*: **May God's care for you give you joy**. (Psalm 8)

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org





October 6-13	Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at <i>all</i> worship services.
Sunday October 6	Sunday October 13
Lutheran World Relief Quilt & Kit Shipping	8:30 a.m. Church School
Companion Synod Sunday	8:30 a.m. Confirmation Workshop
8:30 a.m. 3 Year Old Prayer Pillow Milestone	9:30 a.m. Worship
8:30 a.m. Church School	10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal
8:30 a.m. Confirmation Workshop	
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion	
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal	
10:30 a.m. Faith for Thought- Lego Style	
Monday October 7	Attendance & Offering
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry	September 22 Live Stream- 84
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon	Saturday, Sept. 28- 67 Sunday, Sept. 29- 325
Tuesday October 8	Wednesday, Sept. 25-168
11:00 a.m. Text Study	Offering (9/25-9/29):
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	General Fund: \$5,869.70
6:00 p.m. Executive Committee	Mission of the Month: \$71.27;
6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting	Church School: \$89.73; Other: \$165;
Wednesday October 9	Debt Reduction: \$20
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry	Simply Giving Offering (9/23-9/27): General Fund: \$4,427.72;
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch	Debt Reduction: \$230;
2:00-4:00 p.m. Retired Rostered Ministers	Mission of the Month: \$80;
Coffee with the Bishop	Staff
5:00-7:30 p.m. Harvest Fest with Meal	Senior Pastor
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal	Dan Overbo Associate Pastor
Thursday October 10	Laura Overbo
Preschool Picture Day	Welcoming & Caring Ministries
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon	Twila Schmitt Director of Faith Formation
6:00 p.m. Miracles of Jesus Bible Study	Philip Lickei
Friday October 11	Business Manager
Church Office Closes at Noon	Jodi Spilde
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry	Business Administrative Assistant Megan Thyen
5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Maddilyn	Preschool
Spiering & Cameron Rumpza)	Nikki Landmark, Director/Teacher
Saturday October 12	Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional & Faith Formation Assistant
3:00 p.m. Wedding (Maddilyn Spiering &	Sound & Technology
Cameron Rumpza)	Zach Stanton
5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship	Custodian
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