

Edina, Minnesota

World Communion Sunday October 5, 2025 | 9:30am

Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God, and as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all people into full participation in the life and ministries of Normandale Lutheran Church.

We celebrate that there are differences among us, and believe that we can love one another, even though we may not think alike. We proclaim this statement of welcome to all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the church and society.

Normandale Lutheran Church is committed to a ministry of reconciliation. We welcome and affirm our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, faith, history, socioeconomic status, physical and mental ability. We embrace this diversity as a gift from God, and invite all into a faithful journey toward greater love, understanding, and reconciliation.

Today we observe World Communion Sunday, which was initiated in 1933 to celebrate the global unity of believers. The day emphasizes that despite differences in culture, language, and denomination, Christians worldwide are one in Christ through Holy Communion.

Congregational responses in bold

* Please stand as you are comfortable

Gathering Music

Our Foundation, Help, and Fortress

Cathy Moklebust arr. Alan Lohr

How Firm a Foundation

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship Call to Worship

Carl Wiltse

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

Most merciful God,

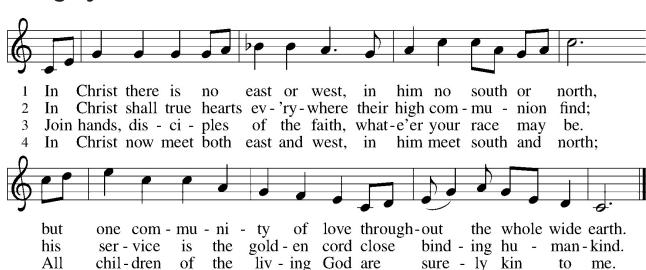
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

the whole wide earth.



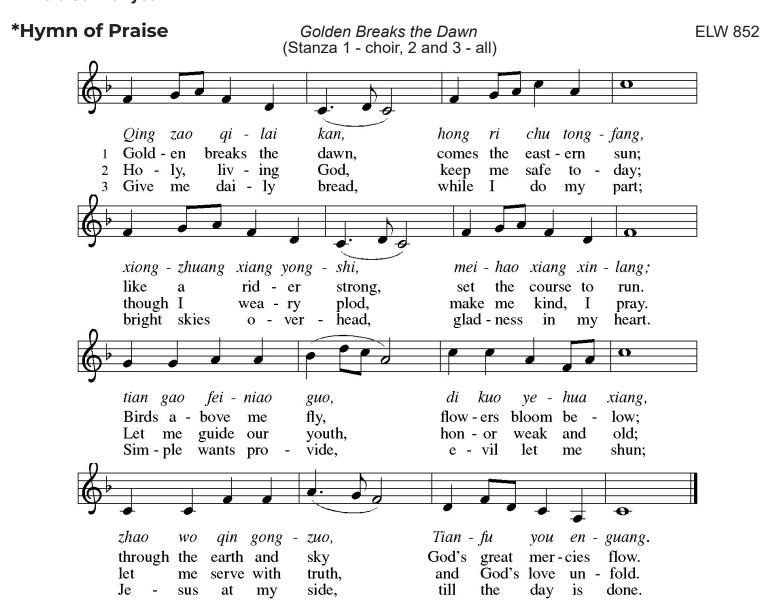
*Greeting

all

Christ-ly souls are

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

one in him through-out



*Prayer of the Day

Gracious and merciful God, you gather the whole church into one communion and grant us sufficient faith for the renewal of all creation. Empower us to carry out the calling you have given us, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Maria Pederson & Pastor Adam White

Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-9

Do not be provoked by | evildoers;

do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither | like the grass, and like the green grass | fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord | and do good;

dwell in the land and I find safe pasture.

Take delight | in the Lord,

who shall give you your | heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust | in the Lord, and see what | God will do.

The Lord will make your vindication as clear | as the light and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.

Be still before the Lord and wait | patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.

For evildoers shall | be cut off.

but those who hope in the Lord shall pos- | sess the land.



***Gospel** Luke 17:5-10

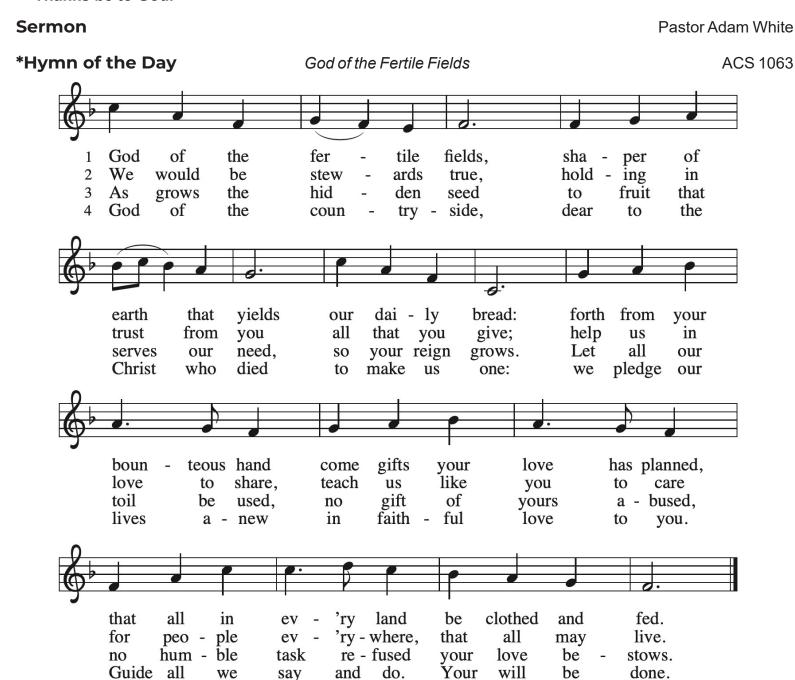
The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

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^{*}Sharing of the Peace

*Noisy Offering | Offertory Response

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response.

This offering will help Every Meal in their fight to end child hunger.

Holy Communion

*Prayer

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving (Spoken)

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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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus

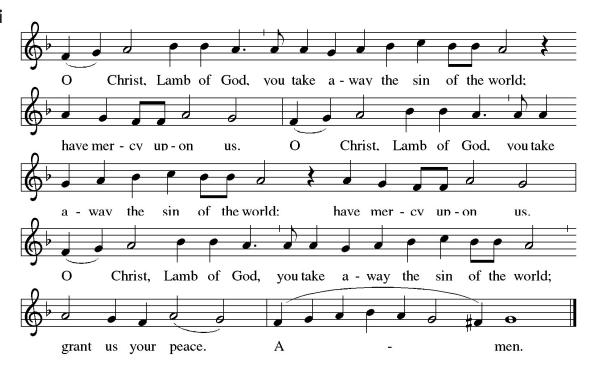


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*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.



Distribution Music

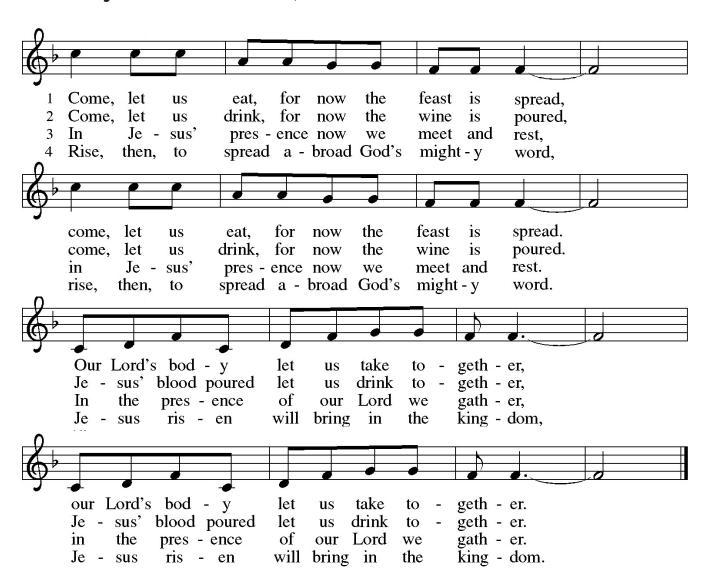
Let Us Break Bread Together

Cathy Moklebust

Distribution Hymn

Come, Let Us Eat

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- 2 Cantaremos la bondad del Señor que nos sienta a su mesa, y nos llama a comulgar como hermanos su vino y su pan.
- 3 Cantaremos al Señor aleluyas al son de instrumentos, y será nuestra canción la alabanza que ensalza su amor.



*Blessing and Sending

Go in peace, serve the Lord Thanks be to God!

WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



We're glad you're here!

Led by the Holy Spirit and living in God's grace, Normandale Lutheran Church is a community of believers who love, learn, worship, and serve as we walk in relationship with Jesus Christ and others. We hope you find in us a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you.

Normandale Lutheran Church is a member of the, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation.









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SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

Join us for Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship in the Fireside Room following worship.

Livestream of Sunday worship is available as a way to participate in the regular worship life of our community. Visit normluth.org/livestream to watch from wherever you are.

Holy Communion is offered during worship on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. All are welcome at God's Table. Gluten/dairy free wafers and grape juice are available.

Hymnals are located in the pew backs. Both the ELW (red) and ACS (purple) hymnals are used in worship.

Hearing Devices are available to enhance your worship experience. Please ask an usher if you need asistance.

WAYS TO GIVE

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normluth.org/give

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NLC Kids

PrayGround is located at the front of the worship space and is filled with quiet toys and comfy seating for the littlest in our midst and their caregivers.

Extended PrayGround is located outside of the sanctuary next to the Fishbowl for children age 4 and up and their families. There are quiet activities and a screen to see and hear worship.

Busy Bags filled with quiet activities are hanging outside the main entrance of the sanctuary.

Bulletins & Coloring Sheets are located on a table by the main sanctuary doors.

Noisy Offering: Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response. This offering will help Every Meal in their fight to end child hunger.

Sunday School 10:40-11:30am | Age 3 - 3rd Grade

1st Floor: Preschool - Room 100

2nd Floor: Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 205

Grades 2 & 3 - Room 213

Not Registered? No problem! Join today, all are welcome! Contact Lily at laskegaard@normluth.org

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Pastor Adam White
Liturgists: Pastor Rebecca Gamble
Pastor Maria Pederson
Organist: Gregory Peterson

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Choir: Normandale Choir
Director: Gregory Peterson
Accompanist: Lorna Wolthoff
Cantor: Stephen Rush

Instrumental: Acolytes: Lector: Greeter:

Sacristan: Ushers: Communion Set Up: Communion Servers: Handbells, Lorna Wolthoff, Director; Jim Meffert, percussion James Nordin & Wyatt Pence

Norman Teigen Brad & Susie Baker Edel Henningsen Fevder/Laaksonen Teams

Jim Granquist, Lee & Karen Newcomer, Mary Quist Newins,

Katie Hein, Kati Salmon, Wyatt Pence





Community



Paul Hanson

Friday, October 10th, 4:00pm Visitation at 3:00pm

Shirley Swenson
Service in December



Wednesdays 5:00-6:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a delicious home cooked meal & conversation!

Kids (3-15) \$6.00 Adults (16+) \$10.00 Age 2 & under are free Check out the Menu





Save the date! Sunday, November 9 | 7:00pm Normandale Sanctuary

Join us as Dr. Gregory Peterson, organist, and the Normandale Choir lead a celebratory evening of music - featuring some of our congregation's favorite hymns. Reception to follow.



ACT-TC Winter Coat Drive Now - November 15 Drop off: Lower Narthex, ACT-TC Grey Donation Bin

As winter approaches, we are reaching out to request your donations of gently used winter wear for immigrants and asylum seekers in our community. New arrivals often come from regions with milder climates or have had to leave their possessions behind.

Facing a new environment, especially during the winter months, can be challenging without proper attire. By donating winter coats, boots, snowpants, hats and mittens you can make a significant difference in the lives of these individuals and families who are striving to build a new life.



November 16 | 5:00 - 8:00pm The Westin at Edina Galleria

Come celebrate with us the yearlong commemoration of our 75th Anniversary and the future of our church. The evening includes: a heavy appetizer buffet, cash bar, lavish desserts, Anniversary choir directed by Gregory Peterson, and commemorating remarks from our new Lead Pastor Adam White. Buy your tickets today! Space is limited.

Adults



Second WEDNESDAY –

Weather Climate Change & More

Featuring:

Ian Leonard
Fox 9 Chief Meteorologist

October 8 | 11:00am-1:30pm | Fireside Room

Fox 9 Chief Meteorologist Ian Leonard brings his sense of humor and knowledge as he talks about weather patterns, climate science, and all the wildfire smoke we dealt with this summer.

Adult Forum Series: Lutheran Theology and "Race"



Today, October 5 Fellowship Hall | 10:45am Future Dates - Oct. 19 & Nov. 9

Join Luther Seminary Professor of Theology, Amy Marga, for the first session of Lutheran Theology and "Race" as we look at the history and concept of "whiteness" and, turning to the Bible and theology, what it means to be created in the image of God. Coffee and donuts provided.



Wednesdays September - May Fireside Room | 9:30-11:30 am

Come be part of a vibrant community of women, as we study the book of Revelation and seek to grow in faith and wisdom together! Visit normluth.org/events for more information.

Adults (continued)



Book Club Saturday, October 18 10am-noon | Studio A Meets monthly on the 3rd Saturday

All book lovers are invited to the official Normandale Lutheran Church book club! This month's book is "I Cheerfully Refuse" by Lief Enger. Read then come for a fun, interesting discussion, and of course there will be coffee & treats! Contact Katie Niessen to learn more. katiejnana@gmail.com



Prayer Service Tuesdays | 9:00-9:20am Chapel

Join the staff weekly for a simple service of morning prayer and reflection. All are welcome!

Looking to Connect or Serve?



Normandale strives to be a community of faith where everyone is actively engaged in mission and ministries. Tell us more about how you might learn and serve among this beloved community! Check out available opportunities using the QR code.



at Normandale Lutheran

Saturday, November 1

All Saints Remembrance Bonfire 6:00-7:00pm | Trinity Commons

Come and share stories, beloved memories and celebrate the lives of loved ones past by participating in a remembrance ritual by the bonfire in Trinity Commons.



National Lutheran Choir Concert 7:00pm | NLC Sanctuary

NATIONAL Following the bonfire, the National LUTHERAN Lutheran Choir will be hosting their annual All Saints Concert in the Normandale Sanctuary.

Lead Me Home: A Concert of Remembrance

A journey of remembrance and hope, this concert honors the beauty and fragility of life while offering a glimpse of the eternal home that awaits. Through music and movement, we explore the thin places between heaven and earth.

Sunday, November 2 All Saints Worship | 9:30am | Sanctuary

Join us in worship as we rember those at Nomandale who have passed away in the last year by placing a candle on the chancel as their name is read. We will also welcome all those who have joined our community through baptism. We will share together in both sorrow and joy.

75th Anniversary "Future of Church" Speaker Series

This series will address key issues for churches seeking ideas, motivation, and energy to "do church" in a changing world.

Reclaiming the Church-Based Mission of Serving Others October 7 | 7:00pm | Sanctuary

Chris Beach Senior VP of Philanthropic Services, at the Minneapolis Foundation will present for 60-minutes concluding with Q&A; reception to follow.

A Conversation Around Mission and Outreach October 12| 10:45am-12:00pm | Fellowship Hall

Jim Meffert, consultant and NLC member, will lead a discussion that will help us shape our mission and outreach ministry and the ways in which we serve the larger community. Light lunch provided.

"Like Always, Like Never Before"

NORMANDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH 1950-2025 | Celebrating 75 Years

Join the Conversation!





A MATTER OF Tuesdays & Thursdays BALANCE October 7-30 9:30-11:30am | Virtual

Do you have concerns about falling? Normandale Center for Healing & Wholeness invites you to join us for this VIRTUAL class series led by our trained coaches. A Matter of Balance is an evidence-based program designed to reduce the fear of falling and improve activity levels among older adults living at home. You will learn to view falling as controllable, gain flexibility, and make changes to reduce your risk of falling. Registration is required. The \$10 fee covers the cost of the class + workbook. If you need help or have questions, contact Carrie Kilberg at carrie@normandalecenter.org. Register online at https://yourjuniper.org/Classes/Register/4791.



October 11, 2025 9:00-10:30 am | Education 10:30 am-Noon | Caregiver Support Groups

We'll look at how routines and traditions can be modified to give a person living with dementia more control over their symptoms allowing everyone to feel more comfortable attending important life events. Respite is available.

Register online at normandalecenter.org/events. Presented by Lori La Bey, the founder of Alzheimer's Speaks, a Minnesota based advocacy group.

Children, Youth & Family (CYF)





Trunk-or-Treaters: save the date! October 29 | 5:30-7:00pm

The CYF Team is asking for treat donations (nut-free & individually wrapped, please!).

Plan to join in on the fun by decorating the trunk of your car and handing out treats. Start brainstorming trunk ideas now! Questions? Email cyf@normluth.org

Want to Support the CYF Ministry?

CYF ministry cannot happen without you! A huge thanks to everyone who has already contributed a gift from the CYF amazon wishlist!

There is still time to donate an item from the wishlist. All items will ship directly to Normandale Lutheran CYF ministries. Use QR code to view list and purchase items.





This Week at Normandale Lutheran Church October 6 - 12, 2025

Monday, October 6

5:00pm -7:00pm Faith Embodied Confirmation Discussion Group **Fishbowl**

Tuesday, October 7

9:00am - 9:20am Pravers for Peace Chapel 4:00pm - 8:00pm REACH Youth Juggling Club Gym 6:30pm - 7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous Room 207 7:00pm - 10:00pm National Lutheran Choir Rehearsal Balcony

Wednesday, October 8

9:30am - 10:30am Wednesday Women's Bible Study Fireside Room 12:00pm - 1:00pm Al-Anon Multi Purpose North 5:00pm - 6:30pm Community Meal Fellowship Hall 5:00pm - 5:45pm Cherub Choir Rehearsal Multi-Purpose South 5:30pm - 7:30pm Adult Spanish Class Studio B 5:45pm - 6:30pm 6:00pm - 7:30pm 6:30pm - 7:30pm 6:30pm - 8:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal Multi-Purpose South Zoom (Virtual) Virtual: Caregiver Support Group Mental Health Night Debrief Conversations Fellowship Hall Normandale Choir Rehearsal Rehearsal Room 6:30pm - 7:30pm 6:30pm - 7:30pm SPARK (Grades 4 & 5) Multi-Purpose South IGNITE (Grades 6-8) Chapel Life Out Loud: High School Fish bowl 7:30pm - 8:30pm 7:30pm - 9:00pm AA Meeting Studio A 8:30pm - 9:30pm ABLAZE (Grades 9-12) Fishbowl

Thursday, October 9

3:15pm - 4:30pm Racial Justice & Equity Book Club Zoom (Virtual) 4:00pm - 6:00pm REACH Youth Juggling Club Handbell Choir Rehearsal Multi-Purpose Room North 5:45pm - 6:45pm

Friday, October 10

3:00pm - 5:00pm Paul Hanson Visitation and Funeral Fireside Room and Sanctuary

Saturday, October 11

8:30am - 3:30pm National Lutheran Choir "Youth Choral Tune-UP" Fireside Room 10:30am - 12:00pm Saturday Caregiver Education Room 209 9:00am - 10:30am Caregiver Support Group Rooms 212-213

Sunday, October 12

9:30am - 10:30am 10:30am - 12:00pm Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship 10:30am - 12:00pm Mission and Outreach Conversation with Jim Meffert Sunday School Virtual Coffee Hour 10:40am - 11:30pm 11:30am - 1:00pm

Worship

Sanctuary Fireside Řoom Fellowship Hall First and Second Floors Zoom (Virtual)