



OUR SAVIOR
LUTHERAN CHURCH



PEACE WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18



WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSION

Burning with the Spirit of Christ in us, we are called to serve our neighbors. In following Jesus' teaching and example, we at Our Savior Lutheran Church will feed souls through worship, word, and witness while feeding our neighbor with our hands and actions.

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today. Our Savior is a community that aspires to follow Jesus so that all may know of the love of God in Christ.

FAMILY RESOURCES At the sanctuary entrance there are books and clipboards with paper & crayons. Children are welcome to take these items into worship. Additionally, the family area just outside the sanctuary has full audio and a view of the service. There you will find toys, books, seating, and room to roam.

HOLY COMMUNION Communion is the central gathering meal of the church. In this meal Christ promises to be fully present, offering forgiveness, a renewed faith, and a regenerative life. Everyone is invited to come forward, as you are able. Individual servings of bread & wine (red) or juice (white) await you; gluten-free bread is available. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

WE'D LOVE TO CONNECT If you find yourself in a time of spiritual need or you're searching for more, we would love to walk with you. Simply fill out a Connections Card and we will contact you.

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ARTS INSTALLATION: "50"

The term *Pentecost* comes from a Greek word meaning "fiftieth." It refers to the festival celebrated on the fiftieth day after Passover. In Christian tradition, Pentecost represents fulfillment of the promise that Christ will baptize his followers with the Holy Spirit.

LAST SUNDAY'S MUSIC CHOICES

Parish Musician David Liu often changes his choices for prelude, postlude, and offering music last minute, as the Spirit guides him. Here are last Sunday's choices:

September 21, 2025

Prelude: *Jesus Paid It All*—Arranged by Victor Labensky

Postlude: *Ballade in G minor*—Chopin

**Fourth Sunday of Season of Creation/
16th Sunday after Pentecost**
Sunday, September 28, 2025
10:00 a.m.



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HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING: THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PRELUDE

Psalm XIX—Arr. W. Buszin

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who looks upon us in compassion,
forgives our sin,
and heals our lives.

Amen.

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

Have mercy, O God,
**against you, you alone,
we have sinned.**

**In your compassion,
cleanse us from our sin
and take away our guilt.
Create in us a new heart
and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away,
but fill us with your Holy Spirit
and restore your joy within us.**

Amen.

As tender as parent to child,
so deep is God's compassion for you.
As high as heaven is above earth,
so vast is God's love for you.
As far as east is from west,
so far God removes your sin from you,
renewing your life through Jesus Christ.
Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.
Blessed be God forever.

GREETING

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.

SONG OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



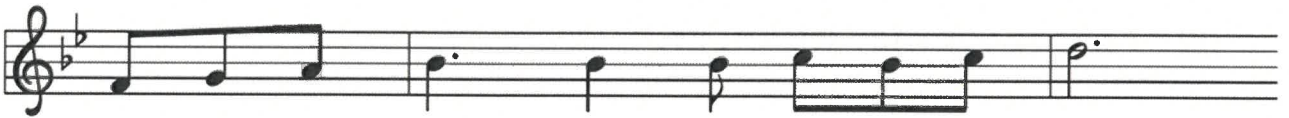
yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE SEASON

WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

- ^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.
⁴ Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and lounge on their couches
and eat lambs from the flock
and calves from the stall,
⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David improvise on instruments of music,
⁶ who drink wine from bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷ Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146

- ¹ Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
² I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
³ Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.
⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.
⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;
⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The Lord sets the captive free.
⁸ The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed
down;
the Lord loves the righteous.
⁹ The Lord cares for the stranger;
**the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of
the wicked.**
¹⁰ The Lord shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *All Creatures, Worship God Most High!* (verses 1-4) ELW 835

ISAIAH 32:14-18

- ¹⁴ For the palace will be forsaken,
the populous city deserted;
the hill and the watchtower
will become dens forever,
the joy of wild asses,
a pasture for flocks;
- ¹⁵ **until a spirit from on high is poured out on us,**
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.
- ¹⁶ Then justice will dwell in the wilderness
and righteousness abide in the fruitful field.
- ¹⁷ **The effect of righteousness will be peace,**
and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever.
- ¹⁸ My people will abide in a peaceful habitation,
in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL: GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

OFFERING STATEMENT

OFFERING MUSIC

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus—Hillert

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

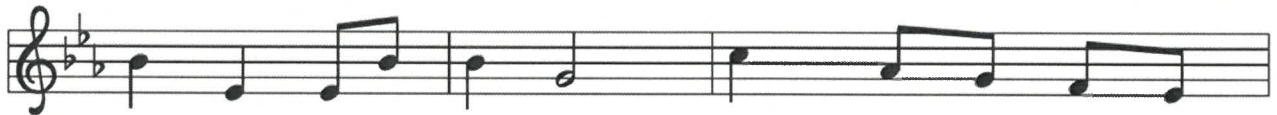
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

O God triune, how majestic
is your name in all the earth. . . .

Sustained by these wonders,
we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Receiving this mystery,
we mortals sing our song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Gathered around this table,
we your children unite in this song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Empowered by your promises,
we rise from our deaths
to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.
Amen, and amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

BE KNOWN TO US



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Will You Come and Follow Me: The Summons ELW 798

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus ELW 802

Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal ELW 464

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

On Our Way Rejoicing

ELW 537

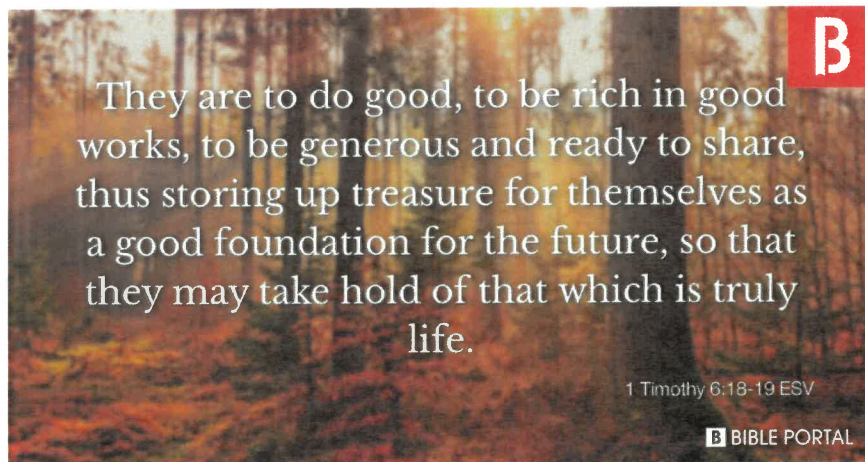
DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Gavotte—G. F. Handel



OSLC Announcements

Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series Continues

The Great Courses' *Searching for the Historical Jesus* Video Series started on Thursday, September 25 at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall and 7 p.m. on Zoom and ends on Thursday, January 22. All sessions are 1 hour long. You're invited to join us (even if you missed the first session).

It's presented by Jean-Pierre Isbouts, DLitt (on video); and facilitated by Pr. Olaf at OSLC. Every session features a 20-25 minute video segment followed by a time for questions and discussion led by Pr. Olaf.

This 15-part series explores the life and times of Jesus of Nazareth within the historical, cultural, and political context of first-century Judea. Rather than focusing solely on theology, Dr. Isbouts examines the "rabbi from Galilee" as a historical figure whose teachings and actions sparked the world's largest religion.

Filmed on location in Israel and Jordan, the course draws on archaeology, the Gospels, Josephus, and recent scholarship to illuminate Jesus's world—Galilee's poverty, Roman exploitation, and the diversity of Jewish thought.

Course Update from Cynthia:

If you have difficulty downloading the book using this QR code (and following the prompts for Dropbox), there are color copies of the book available in the office (and at the next in-person meeting). Please take a look at the chapter in the book before the upcoming session.

You can download the questions for all episodes using this QR code to go to Dropbox. There are also printed copies of the questions on the entry table in the narthex; the first line on the front page of the stapled packet is "VIDEO SERIES from the Great Courses."

Use this QR Code to download the book.



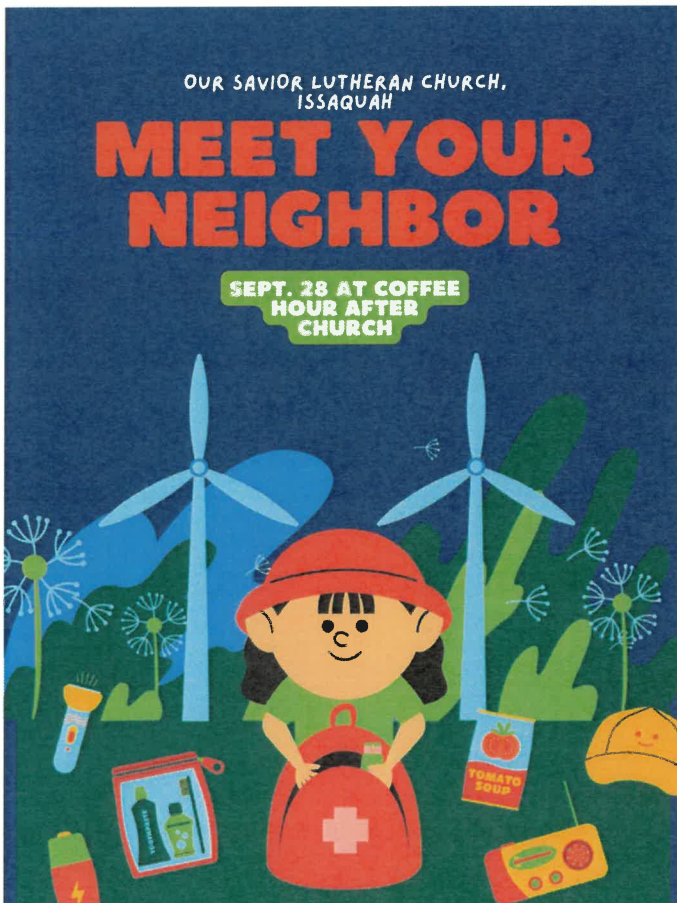
Use this QR Code to download the questions.



OSLC Announcements

Meet Your Neighbor at Coffee & Fellowship Hour TODAY, September 28

TODAY, Sunday, September 28, we will hold another “Meet Your Neighbor” gathering during the Coffee and Fellowship Hour after church services. You can sit at tables with folks who live near you so you can learn who your neighbors are, get to know each other better, and perhaps decide to get together more frequently on your own. These gatherings have been enjoyable, and some groups have already decided to meet on their own as another way to foster friendships and share their faith.—Submitted by Bonnie B., Congregational Care Ministry



Fill the BIG Coffee Pot NEXT Sunday, October 5!

Please gather your coins and cash to bring to the ingathering NEXT Sunday, October 5. Thanks for your generosity toward our Abundance Budget!



GIVE BOLDLY,
ONE COFFEE AT A TIME

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Coffee & Fellowship Hour Sign-up

We enjoy Coffee & Fellowship Hour as a great time to meet others and visit. The “regulars” in the coffee hour group need more helpers to work with us each week, esp. with setup and cleanup duties. Thank you in advance for this service to our Lord.—Submitted by Lois D.

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In the narthex next to the Anderson Hall doors, you’ll see a bright new poster with a Coffee & Fellowship Hour Sign-up sheet for October and November. We invite you to sign up for Setup, Treats, or Cleanup; we’ll provide more details about these tasks.

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Companions Bible Study

Companions Bible Study resumed in mid-September. The group meets every Monday at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom.

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Communion Service at Timber Ridge on October 2

OSLC will lead the Communion Service on Thursday, October 2 at 2:00 p.m. at Timber Ridge Retirement Community.

OSLC Announcements

Vine Maple Place Donation Drive, Sunday, October 12

OSLC members, on Sunday, October 12 please support Vine Maple Place (VMP) clients with donations of personal care products. There will be a table set up in the narthex for your donations. When you go grocery shopping, please pick up a few items on the list to share. The list is included below, and it will be an insert in next week's bulletin. The Community Outreach Committee strives to help those in need, and VMP is a Christian organization since 2000! They have no government grants and depend on donations to operate. VMP is a safe place for mothers (now some fathers, too!) and their children to escape from homelessness or abuse. They can stay for two years while receiving counseling for budgeting, parenting, school, internships, or jobs while training for advancement. We are blessed to be a blessing and give thanks for all and everything God has provided in life. We are our brothers' keeper.—Submitted by Dianne T.



heal
restore
transform

Care Closet-Essential Hygiene Item List

The most vulnerable local families cannot afford the rising costs of hygiene essentials. The ability to shower and keep a clean and safe home is the first step on the path out of homelessness.

Here is the list of essential items **most needed at this time**.

- Laundry detergent (Liquid- 45 oz size is ideal to supply more families)
- Shampoo & Conditioner (*Especially product for curly hair. Brands like Cantu, Shea Moisture, etc.*)
- Deodorant
- Paper towels
- Tall kitchen trash bags (unscented)
- Toilet Paper
- Dish washing liquid
- Body wash/bar soap
- Toothpaste (adult and children's)
- Toothbrushes (adult and children's)
- Floss
- Body Lotion
- Shaving cream
- Razors
- Tampons/ Feminine hygiene pads
- Liquid hand soap

(Please no travel/sample sizes)

OSLC Announcements

Memorial Service for Dave Carlson on January 3

The memorial service for Dave Carlson will be on Saturday, January 3 at 1:30 p.m. in the sanctuary, followed by a dessert reception in Anderson Hall. More details will be forthcoming.



Memorial Service for Odrun Pickering on October 3

On Friday, October 3, the family of Odrun Pickering will hold a gathering in the narthex at 11:00 a.m. with a memory slide show and viewing. At 11:30 a.m., there will be a memorial service in the sanctuary. Following the service, she will be buried at Hillside Cemetery in Issaquah.



Confirmation Class Starting Soon

Exciting news! The Eastside Lutheran Church Community (ELCC) is starting a joint Confirmation Class. The group will usually meet every second Sunday of the month from 4-7 p.m. If you know a youth who might be interested in this program, please let Pr. Kristin-Luana know.



Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Olaf Baumann at 360-912-1830 or Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann at 360-912-1245.

✚ Share & Prayer ✚

We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. Please email office@oslccissaquah.org your prayer requests. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.

- ◆ **Lena S.**, for her complete recovery following hospitalization
- ◆ **Mary F.**, for healing and comfort
- ◆ **Dianne T.**, prayers for no more infusions and progress towards maintenance

Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Please keep their family, friends, and loved ones in your prayers.

- ◆ **Dave Carlson** (husband of Marilyn)
- ◆ **Ann Baseler** (mother of Randy B.)
- ◆ **Odrun Pickering** (former member)



Serving in Worship Today

- Presiding Minister:** Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann
Preacher: Pr. Olaf Baumann
Assisting Minister: Connie F.
Pianist: Karla Stalwick
Ushers: Don R. and Larry T.
Altar Guild: Barbara F-S.
Sound/Videography: Tom K. and Jon S.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

**SEPTEMBER 28—FOURTH SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION
(16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)**

9:30 a.m.

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m.

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m.

Meet Your Neighbor Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

12:30 p.m.

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 29

3:00 p.m.

Companions Bible Study (Online)

7:00 p.m.

Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 30

7:00 p.m.

Church Council (Online)

7:45 p.m.

AA (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 2

9:30 a.m.

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

10:00 a.m.

Al-Anon (Education Room)

12:00 p.m.

Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series (Anderson Hall)

2:00 p.m.

Communion Service at Timber Ridge (OSLC-led) (Timber Ridge Retirement Center)

6:00 p.m.

New Creation Church Bible Study (Library)

7:00 p.m.

Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series (Online)

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 3

11:00 a.m.

Gathering and Memorial Service for Odrun Pickering (Narthex and Sanctuary)

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 4

8:30 a.m.

Al-Anon Event (Library)

NEXT SUNDAY

**OCTOBER 5—FIFTH SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION
(17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)**

9:30 a.m.

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m.

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m.

Espresso Your Faith Ingathering (Narthex)

Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

12:30 p.m.

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

Music lessons are held in all downstairs rooms throughout the week.