# BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMC/NALC BADGER, IOWA

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August 24, 2025

The Organ Prelude – Brady O'Brien

The Welcome and Announcements,

Sharing of the Peace

\*Hymns "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Screen/ #294

"O Savior, Precious Savior"

Screen/#514

#### Children's Message – BackPack Blessing

First Bible Reading
Psalm
New Testament Bible Reading
Hymn – "God's Word is Our Great Heritage"

\*The Holy Gospel

Isaiah 66: 18 - 23
Psalm 50: 1- 15
Hebrews 12: 4- 24
Screen/#239
Luke 13: 22- 30

The Sermon

\*Hymn "Son of God, Eternal Savior" Screen/#364
\*Apostles Creed Screen

\*Confession & Forgiveness

P: Let us all come near to God and confess our sin and ask for forgiveness in the name of Jesus. The Lord is merciful and will keep his promise to forgive our sin.

Let us pray.

C: Gracious Lord, I confess my sins, known and unknown, and my decisions to not follow where you are leading me. I believe that without your mercy I am lost. Please wash away all my sins, I ask for your forgiveness.

P: Hear the Good News...Jesus forgives you! God sent Jesus to us and His plan was fulfilled when Jesus died on the cross for all our sins and then conquered death, giving those who believe in Him everlasting life. Jesus continues to call the unbelieving to turn to Him and repent and believe while there is still time.

The Offering

\*Prayers of the Church

\*Lord's Prayer

\*The Benediction

\*The Closing Hymn "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" Screen/#230

The Organ Postlude

\*Congregation standing (for those who are able)

**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL** who are worshiping with us today. If you are visiting we ask that you sign the guest card on the back of the bulletin or fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate.

<u>Parents/Newcomers</u>: You will find red/blue "Quiet Bags" in the nursery for our young worshipers to enjoy. The nursery also has a restroom, and the changing table is stocked with diapers for your use. The nursery is directly behind the sanctuary.

**Today:** 9:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School / 10:10 Fellowship 11 – 1 Family &

Youth activity at Fort Frenzy

Mon: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Tues:
Wed:
Thurs:
Fri:
Sat:

Sun: 9:00 a.m. Worship / 10:10 Fellowship

**Acolytes:** Leah Myer & Emily Otto

**Next Sunday:** Gabi Herzog & Emily Otto

**Greeters:** Renae Gebers

**Next Sunday:** Scott & Dani Fosseen

<u>Lector:</u> Abee Kelleher <u>Next Sunday:</u> Mike Bruen

Coffee Host: Jack & Leslye Yates

Next Sunday: Jon Pestel & Jennifer Johnson

**Communion Servers**: No Communion

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer - Pastor Scott Meier

Next Communion (September 7th): Mike McBride & Cambrie McBride

<u>Ushers:</u> Clark & Sandy Fletcher, Hayden Fevold **Next Sunday:** Samantha McClintock, Bruce Johannes



Our Continuous Prayer Chain includes the following people:

Cleveland, Timothy & Valorie, Jordan Condon, Amanda & Will, Layne, Cody Craven, Robert Darling, Leonard

Please pray for these families this week.



**Prayer Requests:** When one needs to have the prayer chain implemented, please call Pastor Scott at the church office 515-545-3350 or his cell 989-590-8146. **May God's Peace Be With You.** 

#### From the Prayer Chain or Suggestions for Prayer by Pastor Scott

Ron Johanson – recovering/ rehab at home after Heart Double Bypass in early July

Merle Loseke – healing since a jaw surgery for cancer in July

Julia (Tjaden) Hatcher – had chemo treatments all summer, heading back to teaching at Fort Dodge Middle School this week, upcoming stem-cell transplant in October

For School Staff, Nurses, Bus Drivers, Teachers, Para's – as many area schools begin classes with students.



Saved by Grace Alone
Through Faith Alone
Because of Christ Alone

We are committed to being rooted in the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions while working to fulfill Christ's Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations. We have a great respect for the reality that the church is where the people of God gather together around Word and Sacrament and then go forth to live as witnesses to His love and mercy.

## **Today's Reading**

August 24, 2025 New International Version

First Reading Isaiah 66: 18 – 23

Introduction: These verses are a reference to the establishing of the

Introduction: These verses are a reference to the establishing of the Messianic Kingdom and the return of both Jews and Gentiles as part of the church.

- <sup>18</sup> "And I, because of what they have planned and done, am about to come and gather the people of all nations and languages, and they will come and see my glory.
- <sup>19</sup> "I will set a sign among them, and I will send some of those who survive to the nations—to Tarshish, to the Libyans and Lydians (famous as archers), to Tubal and Greece, and to the distant islands that have not heard of my fame or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory among the nations. <sup>20</sup> And they will bring all your people, from all the nations, to my holy mountain in Jerusalem as an offering to the LORD—on horses, in chariots and wagons, and on mules and camels," says the LORD. "They will bring them, as the Israelites bring their grain offerings, to the temple of the LORD in ceremonially clean vessels. <sup>21</sup> And I will select some of them also to be priests and Levites," says the LORD.
- <sup>22</sup> "As the new heavens and the new earth that I make will endure before me," declares the LORD, "so will your name and descendants endure. <sup>23</sup> From one New Moon to another and from one Sabbath to another, all mankind will come and bow down before me," says the LORD.

## Psalm 50: 1 - 15 (Read responsively - Cong. in Bold)

Introduction: God calls his people to account. This psalm presents a proper understanding of the sacrifices at the temple.

- <sup>1</sup>The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets.
- <sup>2</sup> From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.

- Our God comes
   and will not be silent;
   a fire devours before him,
   and around him a tempest rages.
- <sup>4</sup> He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people:
- <sup>5</sup> "Gather to me this consecrated people, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice."
- <sup>6</sup> And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for he is a God of justice.
- Listen, my people, and I will speak;
   I will testify against you, Israel:
   I am God, your God.
- 8 I bring no charges against you concerning your sacrifices or concerning your burnt offerings, which are ever before me.
- <sup>9</sup> I have no need of a bull from your stall or of goats from your pens,
- <sup>10</sup> for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.
- <sup>11</sup> I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine.
- <sup>12</sup> If I were hungry I would not tell you, for the world is mine, and all that is in it.
- <sup>13</sup> Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 "Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High,
- <sup>15</sup> and call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

### Second Reading Hebrews 12: 4 – 24

Introduction: God disciplines us in order to train us for spiritual development as God's Children.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup> And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says,

- "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, <sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
  - and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son."
- <sup>7</sup> Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? <sup>8</sup> If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. <sup>9</sup> Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live!
- <sup>10</sup> They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. <sup>11</sup> No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.
- <sup>12</sup> Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. <sup>13</sup> "Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.
- <sup>14</sup> Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. <sup>16</sup> See that no one is sexually immoral, or is godless like Esau, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son. <sup>17</sup> Afterward, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. Even though he sought the blessing with tears, he could not change what he had done.
- <sup>18</sup> You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; <sup>19</sup> to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, <sup>20</sup> because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup> The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear."
- <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon

thousands of angels in joyful assembly, <sup>23</sup> to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> to Jesus the

mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.



New Bibles will be handed out!





What's Cooking, you ask?





Ice Cream

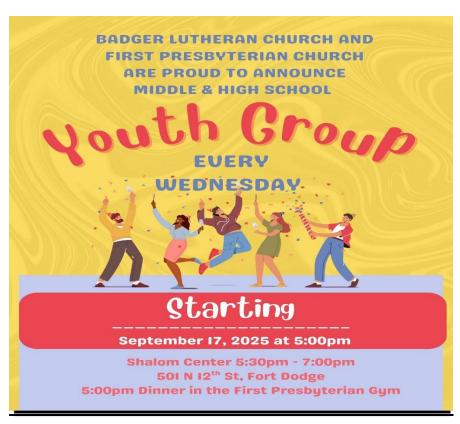






BOB HEUN SHELTER AT KENNEDY PARK

Please bring a dish to share







#### **Ronald McDonald House**

guilts for babies and children at the Ronald

If anyone has any bed sheets that they want to get rid of, they work great for the backs of quilts! Please, leave any bed sheets or quilting materials for Samantha McClintock to pick up. She will use these to make

McDonald House!

#### shirts for Sale!

BLC is excited to offer newly for sale at \$14.50 each. Please payable to Mike McBride. The torganized by size in the resource



designed t-shirts make checks shirts are room, available

from adult small to 2XL. To purchase, kindly give your payment to Pastor Scott Meier or Mike McBride before or after the Worship Service, or visit during office hours.

If you're interested in a long sleeve version of the shirt, please sign up on the clipboard in the resource room. The long sleeves will be priced at \$18.00.



**Badger Food Pantry** 

The Badger Food Pantry is located in the Badger Public Library, 211 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE. Please bring non-perishable items and also hygiene products. For more information call 515-545-4793





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- Finally, click "Submit."

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