



Events

Sept. 3

Midweek
Evening Service,
Youth Confirmation,
Bell Choir
begins

Sept. 4

Youth Chorale
begins

Sept. 6

Saturday 6 pm
Divine Services
begins

Sept. 7

New Member Class/
Adult Catechism
begins

Sept. 13

Highway clean-up

Sept. 14

Nicene Creed 1700
Rev. Dr. Grobien
Service, Meal,
Presentation

Church

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Learning the Catechism Pastor Weinkauff

Second only to the Bible, what is the 2nd oldest book in continuous publication in the history of the world?... Martin Luther's Small Catechism of 1529. Confirmation classes will soon be underway. Teaching the Catechism should be taking place long before children show up in class. Learning the Catechism doesn't begin and end with Confirmation classes; any more than teaching Bible lessons for young and old is reserved for Sunday School and Bible class.

Jesus said, **"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."** (Matt. 19, Luke 18, Mark 10) It is primarily in the Divine Service this takes place; also, in the critical need of Sunday School enrichment, and as you teach them God's Word in the home with daily devotions. Use the Congregation Prayer cards, the Catechism, and the hymnal in your home. I would encourage all parents and grandparents to heed our Lord's instruction in this. Teach them. Bring them to learn. Our children are facing an ever-hostile world, schools and media against God's truth. I know you face a daunting task, but you are not alone in this as the Lord is with you and provides all that is needed, into this and by His design and desire for you and your family -provides you Pastors and the Church.

Martin Luther desired the Catechism to be used by the head of the household to teach the family the Christian faith and life; as with the Small Catechism are: Daily Prayers, a Table of Duties for Christians in their various callings in life, and a guide for Christians to use as they prepare to receive Holy Communion. Luther's Small Catechism also comes with an explanation of the Catechism, which is a longer collection of questions and answers with extensive quotations from the Bible.

Luther writes in the Preface to the Small Catechism: "The deplorable, miserable conditions which I recently observed when visiting the parishes have constrained and pressed me to put this Catechism of Christian doctrine into this brief, plain, and simple form. How pitiable, so help me God, were the things I saw: the common man, especially in the villages, knows practically nothing of Christian doctrine, and many of the pastors are almost entirely incompetent and unable to teach. Yet all the people are supposed to be Christians, have been baptized, and receive the Holy Sacrament even though they do not know the Our Father, the Creed, or the Ten Commandments and live like poor animals of the barnyard and pigpen. What these people have mastered, however, is the fine art of tearing all Christian liberty to shreds." Is it much different today?!

The Small Catechism is an excellent summary of what the Bible, God's Word, teaches us. The shape of the Catechism is the shape of the Christian life. God uses the precious truths of His Word to keep us strong and growing in our faith in Jesus Christ. It is genuinely unfortunate when people think they no longer need the Small Catechism and say to themselves, "That's enough of that; now I can move on to more important things."

The Small Catechism is intended to be a prayer book for individuals and families. It is in this way that daily use of the Catechism is a powerful tool for the Christian life. The Small Catechism was designed to be the family's Christian handbook. Families should use the Catechism in their daily devotions. Gradually, over the months and years, the entire family will be able to recite the Catechism from memory and discuss together its meaning. Luther said it well when he quipped, "I will never learn it well enough." Blessings on your family devotions!

Midweek Evening Service resumes Sept. 3

6:30 Service which includes one of the hymnal evening Orders of Service with a hymn, Psalm and short sermon. **At 7:00 pm, Bell Choir and Youth Confirmation** gets underway.

Saturday Divine Service resumes Sept. 6

6:00 pm, after Labor Day until Memorial Day.

New Member/Adult Catechism Class Sept. 7

9:15 am Sundays starting Sept. 7 in the front office we will begin another class or if needed arrangements can be made with the Pastors.

Much Ado About Everything Pastor Burgdorf

There is so much complaining and fretting among men nowadays over evil conditions prevailing in the world and in their lives, and yet there is but one misfortune that they ought to complain about, and that is – their sin. Sin separates us from God, the Giver of every good gift, and brings down upon us His just punishments. It is sin that makes the night of affliction so dark and our burden so heavy. We often complain that we are so poor in this world's goods, when we ought to complain against our covetous heart that will not be content with the food and raiment God provides. We murmur because we have no brilliant intellectual gifts, when we ought to murmur against the sinful pride living in our hearts. We fret over enemies we may have, over so many hardships and misfortunes that come upon us, when we ought to fret about our stubborn and perverse heart, which will not believe that all these things are sent upon us by the wise, merciful, and omnipotent God.

In short, it is sin, our sin, that we ought to complain about more than the misfortunes and afflictions. Therefore, let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord when assailed by doubt and fear. Let us ever remember that it is the Lord who thus afflicts us because He would purge us from sin, which so easily besets us and would prove our destruction if He did not free us from its evil power. He knows our inmost hearts and sees what sinful desires still lurk in their secret folds, often unknown to ourselves. He therefore casts us into the fiery furnace of affliction that our faith be cleansed from all attaching dross and be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ.

Why should a living man complain, a man, about the punishment of his sins? Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord! - Lamentations 3:39-40



Cathy Manis, Music Director cmusicgal@gmail.com 913-416-0007

After Labor Day, Choirs resume.
Prayerfully consider joining.

Vocal Choir Practices Sundays, 11:45 am

Bell Choir Practices Wednesday, 7:00 pm after Evening Prayer

Youth Chorale (2nd-8th Grade) Practices Thursdays, 6:30-7:30.
(Sunday School will still be singing 4 times a year)

Musicians. If you play an instrument, please contact Cathy as we would love to have you play for Services. We have several and desire for more!

Piano & Organ Lessons? Several lessons take place throughout the week. Please see Cathy.



Sunday School

3 yr. old - 8th grade

Amanda Harbord, Board of Education
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Thank you to all our summer teachers!

If you wish to be in a teaching rotation or a substitute as needed, please contact
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Youth Group
High School
Pastor Burgdorf

Sept. 7
6:00-8:00 pm
Invite any friends.

Sunday Class 9:15!



Table Talk

19-39 year old
Pastor Burgdorf

September 5
7:00 pm
Invite any friends.
Bring any snacks or beverages if you wish.

1700th Anniversary of the Nicene Creed

September 14, Sunday afternoon, Risen Savior is hosting a special Divine Service, meal, and presentation for the area for the 1700th Commemoration of the Council of Nicaea.

3:00 pm Divine Service

with guest preacher Rev. Dr. Grobien, professor from Concordia Theological Seminary.



4:30 pm Dinner provided

5:00 pm Presentation on the Council, Creed

by Rev. Broaddus, pastor at Holy Trinity, Mound City, MO



Sunday October 5 4-7 pm

Volunteers Needed: Sign-up board in the narthex. There are many easy opportunities to volunteer in order to make our annual event possible! Please keep an eye on the sign-up board located outside the church and consider donating an hour of your time! Descriptions are listed on the sign up board and Emily will contact you to give further instructions prior to the event. We especially need bounce house attendants! We love providing bounce houses for the kids entertainment but won't be able to sustain them without volunteers who can help monitor safety. The kitchen also needs lots of helping hands to keep the food line running smoothly.

Saturday, October 4, 9 am

Decorating the Halls, Set-up, and Strudel making.

Contact Emily Newman (913) 206-5579 if you have questions



Bible Classes

Sundays 9:15 am Luke

Weds. 8:30 am Matins
9:00 am Romans



Sept. 8
6:30 pm

Book Club

meets 1st Monday of the month

All are invited to come and listen to the lively discussion! (Even if you haven't finished the book or it hasn't come yet!)

Sept. 8: (1 week later due to Labor Day) All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr



Sept. 18
6:30 pm

Katie's Sisters

Joy Mustapich, coordinator; usually meet 3rd Thurs.
Ladies Night Out, sisters of Katie Luther

Our next gathering will be Sept. 18, 6:30 pm. All women of the congregation and any friends welcome. Watch for mailbox flyers.



Sept. 5
9:00 am

1st Friday Trustee Work

Nick Bretz, Board of Trustees

We will meet Sept. 5, 9:00 following Matins to work on various projects inside or outside and wrap-up by 10:00.



Sept. 26
7:00 pm

Men's GameNight

Usually 4th Friday of the month

We will be playing cards, enjoying food and beverages. All men and friends over 18 welcome.



Sept. 11
6:00 pm

Women In Mission

Dayle Reynolds, President 913-680-5366

Thank you to all members that helped support our Risen Savior Classical Academy supplies. Continue to pray for our students, Instructors, and Pastors. Our next meeting will be on Sept. 11 at 6:00 pm, all ladies are welcome to join us. Deb Glaum is our study leader as she has a series on the fruits of the Holy Spirit.



Sept. 13
8-9:30 am

Highway Clean-up

Kevin Carder, Board of Outreach

Join us in service to the community to clean-up our adopted portions of the highway. Meet at the church at 8 am for instructions then we'll head do to the highway. Great exercise too.



Available Help

If you want to be added, send email to: weinkauf@rslcms.church

Babysitting Needs

Bridget Harbord, 14. Safe Sitter certified (1/2024) in First Aid/CPR, child care, and safety skills. Available most weekends (day or evening), watch toddler-age and above. Will keep kids busy with activities and play. Call 913.544.4133 (Amanda, mom) or mdy2404@gmail.com.

Pick-up Truck If you need to borrow a pickup truck, please contact Pastor Weinkauf.



RISEN SAVIOR CLASSICAL ACADEMY

VERITAS AETERNA

1st Day of School August 25

- ☐ If anyone is interested in homeschooling, invite them to come for a site visit.
- ☐ If you wish to teach a subject or be on a substitute list, please contact our parent coordinator Katlyn Selbe or Pastor Burgdorf.



RSCA booth at Ft. Leavenworth
Homeschool Family Welcome.



Monarch's baseball game. 90 people came out to a beautiful night at the ballgame. Gus White, Aiden Savage, Nolan Hueser were selected for the on-field hotdog race. While the last time we did this was 7 years ago, due to several requests and popularity, it may be an annual event. Big fireworks after the game too.



Church Picnic upon the 17th Anniversary of Risen Savior. Augsburg Hall was filled with overflow into Wittenberg Hall. Special thanks to the Board of Fellowship for the brisket, pork meats and ice cream. Thanks to Gus White for the kiddie train. Karaoke replaced our live band. Pastor Weinkauff would like to acknowledge for the karaoke:

1st Place, 50 years off purgatory to Captain Firefighter Curtis Newman singing "I'm the Fireman" George Strait; 2nd place, 25 years off purgatory to April Luebke singing some girl anthem song that had people waving their arms in the air; 3rd Place, 10 years off purgatory to Emily Newman and Sara Peters singing something that was very forgettable. Honorable Mention: Derek Peter singing something falsetto that caused great consternation; Kim Benzel who sang something so good she is now a member of the Church Choir; Brian Mustapich who 'set the bar' very low for the evening; Pastor Weinkauff and LeRoy Scharnhorst singing "I Did It My Way" Frank Sinatra.





75th Anniversary!!! Bob and Eleanor Lenahan celebrated their 75th on August 5, as Pastor Weinkauf stopped by to deliver the 75 roses that were on the Altar for Sunday and the large card signed by members. They were also featured in the Leavenworth County Parade in Tonganoxie.



SEPTEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 11 th Sun. aft Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service	1 Labor Day 8:30 Matins 8:30-3:30 RSCA	2 8:30 Matins	3 8:30 Matins 9:00 Bible study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 Bell choir	4 8:30 Matins 6:30 Youth Chorale	5 8:30 Matins 9:00 1st Friday Trustee work 7:00 Table Talk for young adults	6 9-10 Private Confession & Absolution 6:00 Divine Service
7 12 th Sun. aft Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 9:15 New Member Class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir 6:00 Youth Group	8 8:30 Matins 8:30-3:30 Risen Savior Classical Academy 6:30 Book Club 6:30 Board of Elders	9 8:30 Matins 10:00 Bible Study @ Advocacy First 11:00 Bible Study @ Faith Cottages Noon Lunch w/Pastor	10 8:30 Matins 9:00 Bible Study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 Bell choir	11 8:30 Matins 6:00 LWML mtg. 6:30 Youth Chorale	12 8:30 Matins	13 8:00 Highway Clean-up 6:00 Divine Service
14 13 th Sun. aft Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 9:15 New Member Class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir Celebration of the Nicene Creed 3:00 Divine Service 4:15 Meal & Presentation <i>Holy Cross Day</i>	15 8:30 Matins 8:30-3:30 Risen Savior Classical Academy	16 8:30 Matins 10:00 Newsletter due	17 8:30 Matins 9:00 Bible Study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 Bell choir	18 8:30 Matins 6:30 Youth Chorale 6:30 Katie's Sisters	19 8:30 Matins	20 9-10 Private Confession & Absolution 6:00 Divine Service
21 St. Matthew, apostle 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 9:15 New Member Class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir 11:45 Church Council	22 8:30 Matins 8:30-3:30 Risen Savior Classical Academy	23 8:30 Matins	24 8:30 Matins 9:00 Bible Study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 Bell choir	25 8:30 Matins 6:30 Youth Chorale	26 8:30 Matins 7:00 Men's Gamenight	27 White/Torance Wedding 3:00 6:00 Divine Service
28 15 th Sun. aft Trinity 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 9:15 New Member Class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir 6:00 Book of Concord study	29 8:30 Matins 8:30-3:30 Risen Savior Classical Academy <i>St. Michael & All Angels</i>	30 8:30 Matins	1 8:30 Matins 9:00 Bible Study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 Bell choir	2 8:30 Matins 6:30 Youth Chorale	3 8:30 Matins 9:00 1st Friday Trustee work 7:00 Table Talk for young adults	4 9-10 Private Confession & Absolution 9:00 Oktoberfest prep; strudel making 6:00 Divine Service

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1 Josh & Lauren Durlfinger	6 Scott Johnson	12 Robert & Jess Jensen	18 Eliza Ambrecht	23 John & Kelly Kasunic	28 Owen Zulauf
2 Bret & Jeanette Curtis	6 Stephanie Kerst	12 Roy & Bonnie White	18 Tammy Reeves	23 Joyce Wade	29 Kim Dunn
2 Gratia Baehr	6 Steve Mariano	13 Noa Clemons	19 Emily Newman	23 Mitchell Kerr	30 Amelia Kerr
2 Tony Glaum	7 David Kalebaugh	14 Maggie Armintrout	20 David & Amanda Ford	23 Sada Peters	
3 Deron Ertel	7 Lilian Martin	16 Dominic TenEyck	20 Evelyn Page	27 RJ Peters	
4 Adam Maurer	9 Heather Shaulis	16 Jason & Billi Jo Fielder	20 Andy Wiehe	27 Susan Madere	
4 Becky Gardner	9 Lisa Huesers	16 Ken France	21 Violet Luebke	28 Blaine Savage	
6 Alex Hobermann	10 Jase Hartenbower	16 Tammy Kalebaugh	23 Claire Burgdorf	28 Chris Humphrey & Nancy Crain	
6 Nick Zulauf	12 Jake Shaw	17 Randy Luebke	23 David Grisso	28 John & Jennifer Stuart	

Thank You!

- ☒ Our mowers and watering teams this summer!
- ☒ Curtis & Emily Newman for clearing weeds from the playground.
- ☒ Tim Selbe, Aidan Savage, Blaine Savage for Cemetery mowing.
- ☒ Steve Woelk for new outlets for both our outdoor fountains.

2025 Financial

Full report posted in Church Office.

Through end of July:

Offerings \$274,964

Expenses \$271,081

Not included: Dedicated gifts & expenses

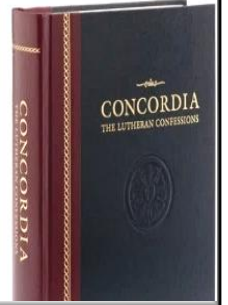
Book of Concord Study

Sept. 28 6:00 pm New time this month

Join us any time for this continuous study.

All welcome to come for an evening of enrichment in our Lutheran doctrine and Scriptural engagements, food, & refreshments.

Last Sunday evening of the month.



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"We shouldn't expect to know or understand the ways of God. We simply live in trust and ask God's blessing on our lives of sanctification, lived in love and thanksgiving to Christ."

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