



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES
Babbtown (Meta 8 am)
Schubert (Jefferson City 10 am)

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The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 6, 2024

Order of Worship: Printed below
(with P for Pastor, C for Congregation)
or
found on page 15 in The Lutheran Hymnal TLH

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The Ringing Of The Bell

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn: TLH #342 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me;
Died that I might live on high, Lived that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love! Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity.
Love that found me--wondrous thought!--Found me when I sought Him not.

Jesus only can impart Balm to heal the smitten heart;
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n;
Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is All in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known, All my sorrows are His own.
Safe with Him from earthly strife, He sustains the hidden life.

O my Savior, help afford By Thy Spirit and Thy Word!
When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die. Amen.

Invocation: p. 15 [*Responses Sung*]

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession: *[Spoken by all]*

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution p. 16

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *[Sung]* Amen.

Introit

Gloria Patri: p.16 *[Sung]*

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Kyrie: p.17 *[Sung]*

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis: p. 17-19 *[Sung]*

C: Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Response: p.19

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* And with thy spirit.

The Prayer Of The Day: *[Spoken by all]*

Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Response *[Sung]:* Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸ Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹ So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens 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. ²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 2:1-13

¹ Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ² For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³ how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴ while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵ Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶ It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him,
or the son of man, that you care for him?"

⁷ You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor,
⁸ putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹ But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹² saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

¹³ And again,

"I will put my trust in him."

And again,

"Behold, I and the children God has given me."

Gradual

The "Triple Hallelujah": [Sung]

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: The Holy Gospel appointed to be read for today is from the Gospel of St. Mark, chapter 10, beginning with verse 2.

C: [Sung] Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

The Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

² Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"
³ He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴ They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵ And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷ 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸ and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

¹⁰ And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹ And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹² and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

C: *[Sung]* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

The Nicene Creed p. 22

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn: TLH #429 "Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart"

Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me. Earth has no pleasure I would share,
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee no one could shake.
Thou art the Portion I have sought; Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord, Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor. Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify Thy lavish grace And serve and help my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile, And Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy comfort still afford.

Lord, let at last Thine angels come, To Abram's bosom bear me home,
That I may die unfearing; And in its narrow chamber keep
My body safe in peaceful sleep Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face, My Savior and my Fount of grace.
Lord Jesus Christ, My prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end. Amen.

Sermon: "Like a Child" Text: Mark 10:13-16

(The Offerings are brought forward. Offering plates are at the entrances.)

Offertory p. 22 *[Sung]*

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayers

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

[We invite those who are communicant members of sister Lutheran Congregations, in the fellowship of LC-MS, and are repentant, to commune with us.]

The Preface: p. 24 *[Responses Sung]*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right and salutary that we should at all time and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and singing:

The Sanctus: p. 26 *[Sung]*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He,
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer: p. 27

**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;

[Sung] **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Institution: p. 27

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini: p. 27

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *[Sung]* **A - - - men.**

The Agnus Dei: p. 28 [Sung]

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace.
A - - - men.**

The Distribution

Distribution Hymns: TLH #409 "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,
Flee the world, which would deceive us And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in His footsteps treading, Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me; Savior, lead, I follow Thee.

Let us suffer here with Jesus, To His image e'er conform;
Heaven's glory soon will please us, Sunshine follow on the storm.
Tho' we sow in tears of sorrow, We shall reap with heav'nly joy;
And the fears that now annoy Shall be laughter on the morrow.
Christ, I suffer here with Thee; There, oh, share Thy joy with me!

Let us also die with Jesus. His death from the second death,
From our soul's destruction, frees us, Quickens us with life's glad breath.
Let us mortify, while living, Flesh and blood and die to sin;
And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to Thee There to live eternally.

Let us gladly live with Jesus; Since He's risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us. Jesus, Thou art now our Head,
We are truly Thine own members; Where Thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly, Faithful Friend, as Thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to Thee, Also there eternally. Amen.

TLH #27 "Oh, Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul! Let all within me join
And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose favors are divine.

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness And without praises die!

'Tis He forgives thy sins; 'Tis He relieves thy pain;
'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses And makes thee young again.

He crowns thy life with love When ransomed from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell Hath sov'reign pow'r to save.

He fills the poor with good; He gives the sufferers rest:
The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for th'opprest.

His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace By His beloved Son. Amen.

The Nunc Dimittus: p. 29 [Sung]

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation:
which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The Thanksgiving: p. 30

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: *[Sung]* **And His mercy endureth forever.**

The Thanksgiving Prayer: pp, 30-31

P: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith towards You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C: *[Sung]* **A- - - - men.**

The Benedicamus: p. 31

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction: p. 31

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Closing Hymn: TLH #660 "I'm But a Stranger Here"

I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home;
Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.
Danger and sorrow stand Round me on ev'ry hand;
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home;
Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;
And time's wild wintry blast Soon shall be overpast;
I shall reach home at last; Heav'n is my home.

There at my Savior's side Heav'n is my home;
I shall be glorified; Heav'n is my home.
There are the good and blest, Those I love most and best;
And there I, too, shall rest, Heav'n is my home.

Therefore I murmur not; Heav'n is my home;
Whate'er my earthly lot, Heav'n is my home;
And I shall surely stand There at my Lord's right hand.
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Have A Blessed Week!

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BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Schubert – Hunter Smasal, Ladin Fowler, Graham Boeckmann & Ryan Bohl.

PASTOR: Rev. Bart Mueller.

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Kathy Bauer; Schubert – Keith Bohl.

USHERS this Sunday: Jerry Bartel & Andy Beach.

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COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Allan Forbis and Russ Mueller.

ACOLYTE this Sunday: Mason Mistler.

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A WARM WELCOME to each of you in the Name of Jesus. We are glad to have you worshipping with us this morning.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will strengthen and refresh you in your Christian walk of faith, as we feed together on God's Word and Sacrament.

If you are a guest we greet you with special joy. Please be sure to introduce yourself, sign the guest register, and come back soon.

ANY NEWS, INFORMATION, REQUESTS or communications for the churches can be made by leaving a message on the church phone – 573-395-4591. Generally all messages are checked daily. You can also email the church at stjohndlutheranjcmo@gmail.com – and if you have any questions or concerns, we will respond as needed. If you need pastoral assistance right away, you can call Pastor Mueller at 507-360-8033.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Mark Russell and his family upon the death of his father. Our prayers are with Mark and Sherri, their children and grandchildren, and all of their family and loved ones. We comfort them with the promise of everlasting life that Jesus gives to all who believe in Him.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

- Gary Rademan, recovering from surgery on his brain tumor.

If you have any prayer requests/bulletin announcements, please email them to stjohndlutheranjcmo@gmail.com, or send them to Samuel Luetkemeyer.

MONDAY: Men's Bible Study at 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Confirmation Class (6th-8th) and Weekday Bible School (3rd-5th), 6:00-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY: Campus Lutheran Church in Columbia is having their Fall Festival and Bazaar. Festival starts at 9am, Bratwurst Dinner from 4-7pm. Details are on the poster in the foyer.

NEXT SUNDAY: Trinity Lutheran Fall Dinner, 11:00am-3:00pm, in the school gym – 812 Stadium Blvd, Jefferson City, MO. It will be dine-in & carry out – there will also be a country store with baked goods. Tickets are \$15, all-you-can-eat. Online tickets available at <http://www.trinityjc.org/falldinner>.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: Our Almighty Maker carefully creates every human male or female (Genesis 2:21-22). Jesus Himself took on the same flesh in fertilization and gestation to redeem our entire race (Hebrews 2:14, 17). And the Lord our God calls even the littlest among us for His own (Mark 10:14). Could the Scriptures get any clearer about the sanctity of life? Can we?

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: Babtown, 13. Schubert, 79.

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**Thanks be to God that we have the opportunity to gather in worship each week.
Make worship and Bible Study and the Lord's Supper a high priority in your life.**

Babtown

**8:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:10 a.m. Sunday School
and Adult Bible Study**

Schubert

**9:15 am. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

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Hymn #342: Scripture: Romans 5-8; Chief of Sinners, Though I Be; Author: William McComb (1864); Tune: Gethsemane. Composer: Richard Redhead (1853).

Hymn #429: Scripture: Psalm 18; Herzlich lieb hab' ich dich, O Herr; Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart; Author: Martin Schalling, (c. 1567); Translator: Catherine Winkworth, (1863, alt.); Tune: Herzlich lieb hab' ich dic, O Herr; Composer: Bernhard Schmid's "Orgelbuch" Strassburg, 1577.

Hymn #409: John 11:16; Lasset un smit Jesu ziehen; Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus; Author: Sigismund von Birken (1653); Translator: J. Adam Bimbach (1900); Tune: Lasset un smit Jesu Ziehen; Composer: Georg G. Boltze (1788).

Hymn # 27: Scripture: Psalm 103:1-7; Oh, Bless The Lord My Soul; Author: Isaac Watts (1719); Tune: St. Thomas; Composer: Aaron Williams (1770).

Hymn #660: Scripture: Hebrews 4:9; I'm But A Stranger Here; Author: T. R. Taylor (1836, alt.); Tune: Heaven Is My Home; Composer: Arthur S. Sullivan (1872).

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CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER – What went on this week?

- Calvary staff and students welcomed 44 local 8th grade students for Survive and Thrive! Students were equipped with tools and strategies to thrive in high school next year!
- Soccer Lions celebrated their seniors on Tuesday with Senior Night!
- Pastor Heaton led Wednesday chapel with a message from Matthew 7:1-5.



YOU ARE INVITED! – Join us **THIS WEEK** October 11th at 7pm and October 12th at 6pm for Jane Austen's *Pride & Prejudice* adapted by Hanreddy and Sullivan. See this literary classic come to life!

GET YOUR FRESH APPLES – It is time to order apples! Order Fuji, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith, and Jonathan apples by the ½ Peck, Peck, ½ Bushel or Bushel! Apple butter is also available by the pint jar. The order deadline is Monday, October 14th. Order pick-up is scheduled for Saturday, October 19th. Profits from these sales are used to support the Booster Association who support all Calvary students.

Go to linktr.ee/calvarylhs to order online or contact the school office, 573-638-0228.

WEEKEND CUSTODIAL HELP NEEDED – Calvary is seeking a mission-minded individual to serve immediately in the *part-time* position of weekend custodian. Applications can be submitted to John Christman at administrator@calvarylhs.org or 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101

FFA CHILI SUPPER & LABOR AUCTION – Supper Calvary's FFA chapter by attending their Chili Supper on Thursday, October 17, 4:00-7:00. FFA students will auction off their time and talents to serve. All proceeds will go toward helping the chapter attend National Convention.

FALL OPEN HOUSES – Do you know someone who would benefit from knowing about Calvary? The family of a teenager? (Grades 7-12) Invite them to Open House! Calvary will be hosting an Open House on **Tuesday, October 22** and **Monday, October 28** at 7 pm. Current Calvary parents and/or current students will share their Calvary story that night -- so that prospective families would hear authentic reviews from people that are here daily. Contact the office to RSVP for a prospective family or if you would like to share your story at Open House.

HELP CALVARY REACH MORE – Calvary is seeking candidates for its Outreach Coordinator position. The part-time position is 20 hours that can largely happen during the school day, though some nights are required. Applications can be submitted to John Christman at administrator@calvarylhs.org or 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101