

Sunday, October 26, 2025 Reformation Sunday

9:30 am: Hope Lutheran Church (Livestream)
1801 62nd Avenue N



 **PRELUDE**

 **WELCOME**

 **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our light, our strength, and our salvation.
Amen.

In the presence of God and of one another,
let us confess our sin.

We take time to reflect on our actions and choices.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your people, but we do not follow your ways.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your goodness to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive us.
Rejoice over us as the lost
who have been found.
Amen.

Jesus Christ came into the world
to save sinners just like us.
Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.
In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!



GATHERING HYMN *A Mighty Fortress is our God*

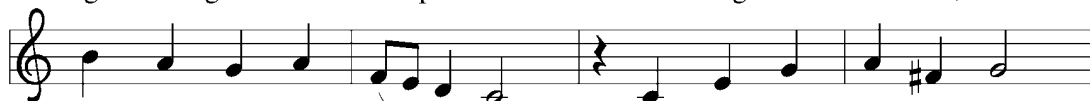
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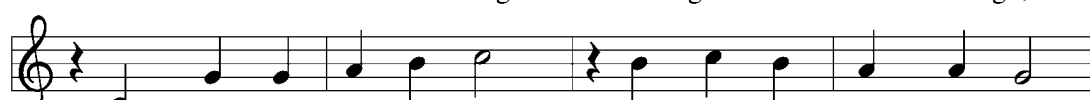
1 A migh - ty for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
2 If we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing turns to
3 Though all the world with dev - ils fill and threat - en to de -
4 God's Word shall stand a - bove the pow'rs, shall end all their thanks-



fail - ing; our help - er frees us from the flood of
los - ing; the righ - teous one fights by our side, the
vour us, we trem - ble not, we trust God's will: they
giv - ing. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, for



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe,
one of God's own choos - ing. You ask who this may be:
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Though Sa - tan rant and rage,
God with us is liv - ing. Let goods and kin - dred go,



for - sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread - ful might
Christ Je - sus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name.
in fierc - est war en - gage, this ty - rant's doomed to fail;
this mor - tal life al - so; though all of these be gone,



is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no e - qual.
No oth - er God we claim! None else can win the bat - tle.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word shall tri - umph.
they yet have noth - ing won. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1805–1890, alt.
Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546
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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.



HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. *Refrain*

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final refrain*
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



GETTING BACK TO BASICS



FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

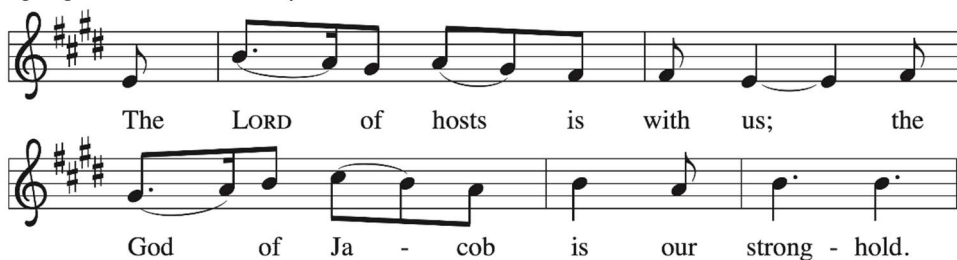
Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM: Psalm 46

The refrain will be played through once as introduction, and will then be sung by the congregation; the congregation will then repeat the refrain at the end of each set of verses, as indicated by “R”



¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

³ though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult. **R**

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away. **R**

⁸ Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ “Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.” **R**



SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

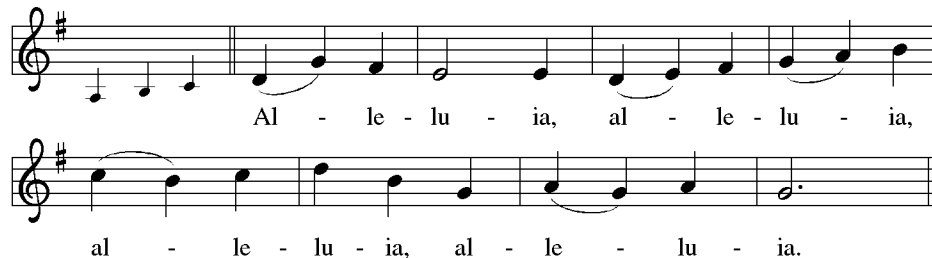
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and sing:



Choir: If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. *Congregation repeats "Alleluia"*



GOSPEL: John 8:26-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

The good news of God's love according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the people of Jerusalem,] ²⁶ I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but the one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." ²⁷ They did not understand that he was speaking to them about the Father. ²⁸ So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I am he and that I do nothing on my own, but I speak these

things as the Father instructed me. ²⁹ And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him.” ³⁰ As he was saying these things, many believed in him. ³¹ Jesus said to the those who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



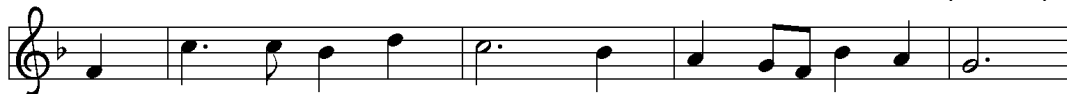
SERMON

A brief period for silent meditation will follow at the conclusion of the sermon.



HYMN OF THE DAY *O Praise the Gracious Power* (vv 1-4)

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1 Oh, praise the gra - cious pow'r that tum - bles walls of fear
 2 Oh, praise per - sis - tent truth that o - pens fist - ed minds
 3 Oh, praise in - clu - sive love, en - cir - cling ev - 'ry race,
 4 Oh, praise the word of faith that claims us as God's own,



and gath - ers in one house of faith all strang - ers far and near:
 and eas - es from their anx - ious clutch the prej - u - dice that blinds:
 ob - liv - i - ous to gen - der, wealth, to so - cial rank or place:
 a liv - ing tem - ple built on Christ, our rock and cor - ner - stone:

Refrain



We praise you, Christ! Your cross has made us one!

Text: Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945

Music: CHRISTPRAISE RAY, Carol Doran, b. 1936

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

After each petition:

God of grace; receive our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers:

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE SHARING OF PEACE

Instead of putting a donation in the offering plate during the next hymn, you can use the appropriate QR code to make a contribution on the church website; or you can mail an offering to the church.

OFFERTORY HYMN *Built on a Rock* (verses 1-3)

ELW 652



1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us



chim-ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt.

Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMEL HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

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OFFERING PRAYER

**Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion
of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope on you.
Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in
need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.



THE 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.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to this meal of mercy.
Jesus welcomes us!



LAMB OF GOD

O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy up - on us, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
 grant us your peace, grant us your peace.



COMMUNION HYMN *The Church's One Foundation*

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1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900
Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. O God, through this meal
you have strengthened us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our lives with all in need.
We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**



BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

ELW 596



- 1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
- 2 Whendark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
- 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
- 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,

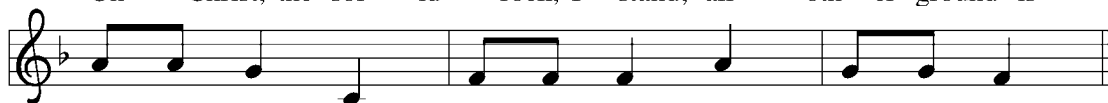


no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.

Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Rejoice in love.
Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE



[Recording ends]



After the service, please stay for a Special Congregational Meeting

Thank you to those serving this month:

Service	Lectors	Communion Assistants	Altar Flower Sponsors
10/05	9:30	Combined service at TRINITY – No 9:30am service today	
	11:00	Jacque Bishop	Violet Prepost, Phil Rearick
			Roy Pringle – IHO parents, Ken & Marion Pringle
10/12	9:30	Terri Craig	Margarita Rodriguez
			(open for sponsorship)
	11:00	Stephen Hewitt	Lynne Tallon, Barb Macomb
			(open for sponsorship)
10/19	9:30	Gary Bartelt	Betty Herzhauser
			To the glory of God from the people of Hope
	11:00	Paul Erickson	Paul Frakes, Ruth Kinsey
			Paul & Jan Frakes – IMO Paul's parents, Ralph & Meta
10/26	9:30	Terri Craig	Linda Gascon
			Joe Haynsworth – IMO his mother, Kathleen (Morgan) Haynsworth
	11:00	Combined service at HOPE – No 11am service today	

Birthdays this week:

10/27 - Ashley DiNoto 11/01 - Joseph Herzhauser
 10/27 - Rod Hagberg 11/01 - Jeanne Oakley
 10/28 - Bob Burke

Anniversaries this week:

(None)

This Week's Calendar of Events:

Today (10/26)

11:00am – Congregational Meeting (Hope Sanctuary)

Monday (10/27)

11:00am – Linda K. Nelson burial (Bay Pines Nat'l Cemetery)

Tuesday (10/28)

7:00pm – Meadowlawn Assoc (CommUNITY Room)

Wednesday (10/29)

11:30am – Community Meal (Trinity 3rd Floor)

6:00pm – Faith 2 Life Bible Study (CommUNITY Room)

Thursday (10/30)

6:00pm – Grace Family Bible Study (CommUNITY Room)

6:30pm – Vocal Choir Practice (Hope Sanctuary)

Friday (10/31)

9:30am – TLC Pantry (1st Floor at Trinity)

9:30am – Dolores Food Pantry (CommUNITY Room)

Saturday (11/01)

9:00am – Hope Chest (Thrift Store)

11:00am – Memorial Svc: Sheila Johnson (Paradise Luth)

Further Info & Items of Interest:

- **Faith 2 Life:** Our current series “Why the Bible” gives us an opportunity to address questions about reading and understanding the Bible.
- **Saying Goodbye & Offering Support:** This week there will be two opportunities to say goodbye to friends and offer support to their families. On Monday morning, **Linda K. Nelson** will be buried at the Bay Pines Nat'l Cemetery, and on Saturday morning, there will be a memorial service for **Sheila Johnson** held at Paradise Lutheran Church.
- **First Friday in November:** Keep in mind for next week... the First Friday dinner on 11/07 will have the added bonus of a concert! The music will be performed by Pr. Paul, accompanied by Ross. The songs will feature references to wind, water, and sunshine – all sources of renewable energy. There is a suggested donation of \$20 for the dinner & concert, with the funds going towards our solar energy conversion project!

Prayer List:

For those ministering in our congregations:

Pastor Paul Gibson
Deacon Lynne Tallon
Music Director Ross Kimura
Music Director Brenden Hall

For those needing strength & healing:

Mike Lederhouse	Nicole Redmond
Maureen Rogers	K. Redmond
Charlie Braitling	Paula Smith
Brenda Braitling	Vickie Clark
Marjorie Smetana	Luke Mendenhall
Jim & Edna Howell	Guy Smith
Debbie McNeilly	Joyce Dare
Dave McNeilly	Cecil Miles
Ana Rivera	Linda Miles
Elmer Goetz	Sandra Marzan
Myrtle Munsch	Leonard
Teri Fitzpatrick	Robert & Brenda Meredith
Justin Fitzpatrick	Brian Schutzbach
Tyler Pollard	Shakira & family
Kristi Sullivan	Scott Family

For those suffering from cancer:

Jim Tallon
Whitney & Greg Corrigan
Rick Jackson
Frank Durilla
Rev. Ernest Knoche
Ron Oughton
Barbara

For those homebound:

Lorna Holder	Judy Milanese
Shirley Taylor	Petra Young
Betty Aker	
Marion Cheslock	

For those grieving the loss of a loved one:

Family & friends of Craig Mowrer
Family & friends of Chan Ros
Family & friends of Barbara Johnson
Family & friends of Sheila Johnson
Family & friends of David Larson
Family & friends of Gerda Fjogreen Peterson
Family & friends of Lenny Jerritt
Family & friends of Linda Nelson
Family & friends of Scheryl Hill

Welcome, visitors! Please tell us something about yourself.

Fill out the form below or scan one of the provided QR Codes to contact us digitally.



Today's Date:

10/26/25

Name and Address
Email
Phone
Home church, city, and state

Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests:

- ☐ I'm visiting: ☐ First time ☐ Repeat
☐ I just moved here
☐ Please add me to your email list(s)
☐ Pastor's weekly announcements, etc.
☐ Office's Monthly Newsletter, etc.

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