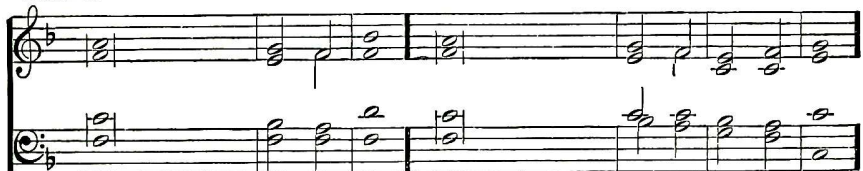


Dominus Regit Me

Psalm 23

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1 The Lord is my	Shep-herd,	I - - -	shall	not	want.
3 He re- - -	storeth	soul,	He leadeth me in	the paths of right-	eousness - -
5 Thou preparest a	en-e-	mies;	Thou anointest my	head with oil, my	runneth o- ver.
7 Glory be to the	to the	Son	and - - -	to the	Ho-ly Ghost;
Father and - -					



2 He maketh me to lie	pas-	tures,	He leadeth me	still	wa- ters.
4 Yea, though I walk	e-	vil;	for Thou art with	staff,	comfort me.
6 Surely goodness and	of my	life,	and I will dwell	in the house of	Lord for-ev- er.
8 As it was in the be-	ever	shall be,	world without -	end.	A- men.
ginning, is now, and					



**Those not clothed
in Christ's righteousness
are cast out.**

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PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU HERE! We are pleased that you have come to receive God's gift of forgiveness. Pentecost and the Sundays after Pentecost emphasize the work of the Holy Spirit through God's Word and Sacraments in growing the Church, so we especially invite you to join us in our Bible Classes, as well as in all of our other activities. If you have no church home, you are cordially invited to consider making Pilgrim Lutheran Church your church home!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The △ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

2026 OCTOBER 11

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE (*Lutheran Service Book*, pp.151-166.)

+ + + IN THE NAME OF JESUS + + +

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 For ... let us pray to the Lord:  **Lord, have mercy.**

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+ + + TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY + + +

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2026

BEFORE THE SERVICE: As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

OFFERING BOX: Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

PEW CUSHIONS: If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

PEW SLIPS: *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

GROWING IN WORSHIP: Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, www.pilgrimlc.org, to open on or to download to your electronic device.

PRAYER REQUEST: If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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LAST WEEK: There were 0 students but 1 teacher prepared for Sunday School; 16 people were present in-person for Adult Bible Class, and 2 devices were connected via Jitsi; 26 people were present in-person for the Sunday Divine Service (22 communed), and 4 devices streamed the service live via YouTube; and 1 catechumen was present in-person for the Tuesday afternoon youth class. (Midweek Bible Study and Thursday-evening catechesis were held this week due to Pastor Galler's family commitment, and the Saturday in-person youth catechesis was not yet held when these announcements were printed..)

THANKS: to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for her Church Office work.

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Jeromy McMurray, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

LIFE THOUGHTS: The Lord of Hosts makes the feast of rich food and aged wine for all people (Isaiah 25:6-9). He table is prepared before us in the presence of our enemies (Psalm 23:1-6). He calls all to come to the wedding feast for His Son, and He even gives them the garment of His Son's righteousness to wear (Matthew 22:1-14). We should not judge who is or is not worthy to come, live, or anything else, for even we are unworthy apart from God's grace for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: With prices of everything, especially gas and utilities, going up, we might easily wrongly think that we should reduce the gifts that we give to the Lord before we pay for everything else. St. Paul's words "Rejoice in the Lord always" and "do not be anxious about anything" can hit us hard (Philippians 4:4-13)! But, with St. Paul, we can learn in whatever situation we are in to be content. We, too, can do all things through Him who strengthens us, for He is our Almighty God and Lord.

AS YOU DEPART, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible, and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX are hardcopies of Pastor Galler's recent newspaper columns (including his 10/04 column titled, "Let all people praise

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God”); the October 2026 edition of Pilgrim’s monthly newsletter, *The Pilgrimage*; the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for October and November; Issue #17 (Summer 2026) of *Christian Culture: A printed Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College; *Portals of Prayer* for October-November 2026; the latest Church Directory (dated 2026/08/27 and printed on ivory paper); Pilgrim’s Constitution, Bylaws, and updated Standing Rules; and Pilgrim’s Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

ELDERS’ MEETING: Pilgrim’s next regular Elders’ Meeting is scheduled for this Tuesday, October 13, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. If you have an item of concern that the Elders should address, please share it with Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders before then. Elders will please come having read and being prepared to discuss Augsburg Confession and Apology Article XX: Good Works, *Concordia*, pp. 41-44, 199-201.

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

CATECHESIS: This Tuesday, October 13, the in-person youth class will meet at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. This Thursday, October 15, the in-person family class will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. And, this Saturday, October 17, the other in-person youth class will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room/Library.

“ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY”: Pilgrim’s Midweek Bible Study will meet this Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m., to continue the discussion of Hosea 5:8-6:6, starting at 6:1. All of the prophetic books testify that everyone who believes in Jesus receives life in His Name (Acts 10:42-43). All people are welcome to participate in the Study, either in-person in the Conference Room/Library or on-line via Jitsi. For more information, and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets>.

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NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class (“Basic Bible Accounts”); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a gathering of Pilgrim’s Mary/Martha Society.

Readings: Is 45:1-7; Ps 96:1-13; 1Th 1:1-10; and Mt 22:15-22.

Hymns: LSB 903, 940, 850, 806, 854, and 549.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

“BASIC BIBLE ACCOUNTS”: Next Sunday, Pilgrim’s Sunday-morning Adult Bible Class continues its “just the facts, ma’am” approach to essential Bible “stories”, with each session covering one account. All are welcome! For more information, and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see <https://pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/basic-bible-accounts>.

PILGRIM’S MARY/MARTHA SOCIETY will gather next Sunday, October 18, after the Divine Service, in order to share lunch and to work on additional Chrismons (“Christ monograms”, Christian symbols) for Pilgrim’s Christmas tree. All women are invited and welcome to attend!

QUARTERLY CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: Pilgrim’s Church Council will have its regular Fourth-Quarter Meeting Sunday, October 25, after the Divine Service. The Packet with the working agenda and reports will be distributed via email to Pilgrim’s members and available in hardcopy in the Narthex before the Meeting.

TRICK-OR-TREAT AND FALL FESTIVAL: All families with young children are invited to Letourneau University (2100 S. Mobberly Avenue in Longview) on Saturday, October 31, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. There will be booths, games, and allergen-friendly candy.

DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME will end in the wee hours of Sunday, November 2, 2026. Remember to “fall-back” one hour before coming to Pilgrim for the morning’s activities or risk being one hour early for everything!

HOW ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE PILGRIM IN 2027? Pilgrim’s nomination process for next year is underway. Positions yet to have confirmed nominees are Vice-President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Elder (2), and Inreach Coordinator. Please pray about your serving the congregation in one of those official capacities during 2027, and then please speak to Acting-President Remo Gualtieri, Elders’ Chair Carl Gardner, or Pastor Galler about how you would like to serve. How should God keep Pilgrim’s doors open if no one is willing to fill necessary positions?

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