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God is always
DOING A
new thing.

October 2025

**Lexington United
 Methodist Church**

*Where We Seek, Serve and
 Share Christ*

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Sunday worship: 11 a.m.
 Children's Sunday School: 10 a.m.
 Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.
 Young Couples Class: 10 a.m.
 Youth Group: Sundays 6 p.m.
 Worshipping Winds Rehearsal:
 Sundays, 9:30 a.m.
 Choir Rehearsal: Sundays 10 a.m.

I grew up in Southern California, where there weren't really seasonal changes. Since moving to Missouri in 1994, I have loved experiencing the rhythms of fall, winter, spring, and summer. In the 14 years I have been a pastor, I've also noticed that life has seasons of its own. As the leaves begin to fall, we are reminded once again of how seasons change—not only in weather, but in our lives and faith journeys as well.

As we look forward together, this season brings with it the joy of seeing God at work in our church through worship, fellowship and celebration. Each week we gather to hear the Word, lift our voices in praise, and encourage one another in faith. We are blessed to share life together as a community that carries both memory and hope—remembering the saints who have gone before us while also anticipating what God is doing in us right now.

As Ecclesiastes reminds us, *"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens,"* (Ecclesiastes 3:1). In this new season, my wife, Pastor Julie, has prayerfully stepped away from her ministry role with the Missouri Annual Conference. She will now be worshipping alongside us as a congregant here

at Lexington UMC. We are grateful for her years of service and excited to welcome the joy, experience, and passion she continues to share among us in this next chapter.

And as the seasons change around us, there are many opportunities for us to gather in faith, fellowship, and celebration:



Rev. Andrew Sanders

Halloween & Trunk-or-Treat – Sunday, October 26th

Come and join us for a fun-filled evening of costumes, candy, and community! This is a wonderful way to bless families in our town and share the joy of Christ through warm hospitality and laughter.

Harvest Dinner – Saturday, November 1st

Bring your appetite and your gratitude! This will be a time to gather around the table, enjoy good food and fellowship, and celebrate God's abundance in our lives. Everyone is welcome—invite a friend or neighbor to join us!

All Saints Day Celebration – Sunday, November 2nd at 11 a.m.

We invite you to a special service of worship, Holy Communion, and

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sundays: **Worshiping Winds** rehearsal
9:30 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal: 10 a.m.

Sundays at 10 a.m.: **Adult Sunday School** with Liz Johnson, facilitator. New study begins Oct. 12—"Why? Making Sense of God's Will" by Adam Hamilton.

Sundays at 10 a.m.: **Children's Sunday School** with Donna Slusher & Katie Dye.

Sundays at 10 a.m.: **Young Couples Class, "Fireproof Your Marriage,"** with Sarah Black, facilitator. No class 10/5 & 10/12.

BABY GRACE: Sundays 10-11 a.m.

Mondays: Quilters at 1 p.m.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH: Friday, Oct. 10, at Noon in the Music Room—bring a carry-in lunch.

HARVESTERS DISTRIBUTION: Monday, Oct. 13, 8 to 11 a.m.

YOUTH GROUP: Sundays at 6 p.m., starting again on October 12th.

FINANCE TEAM MEETING: Tuesday, Oct. 7, 6 p.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, October 20 at 6 p.m.

COMMODITIES: Thursday, Oct. 23, 8:30 to 11 a.m.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Sunday, Oct. 26. Time to be determined, in the Buddy Black Family Life Center. Bring the kids to Trunk or Treat in a safe environment.

HARVEST DINNER: Saturday, Nov. 1, 6 to 8 p.m. Free will offering, Silent Auction, fall-themed desserts, entertainment and more!

ALL SAINTS SERVICE: Sunday, Nov. 2, 11 a.m. Join us and light a candle for you loved one(s).

CHARGE CONFERENCE: Saturday, Nov. 22, 10 to 12:30 p.m. Here at LUMC. All are welcome to attend.



AUGUST 31, 2025



Our first Youth Sunday was August 31 with our youth participating in the service. Above: Acolytes Kendall Dobson & Sutton Eaton prepare to take the light of Christ out of the sanctuary. Each Youth Sunday will be on the 5th Sunday of the month.



Above: Donna Slusher teaches the kids about Jesus during Children's Moment. Right: Pastor Andrew prays the Benediction while acolytes Kendall Dobson & Sutton Eaton prepare to walk the light of Christ out of the sanctuary. Below: The youth were ushers during the service. Here, Cooper Davis collects the offering before it is blessed at the altar.



The next Youth Sunday is November 30th



- October 2 Karen Yates
- October 10 Jennifer Coen
- October 12 Vera Johnson
- October 21 Susan Small



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WOMEN IN MINISTRY

Patty Sollars | LUMC Women

The Women of the Church met on Friday, September 12 with 10 present. After Sarah Black shared a meaningful prayer the ladies enjoyed a carry-in luncheon.

Following lunch, Chair Nancy Oles called the meeting to order. Patty Sollars agreed to take minutes of the meeting to be submitted for the LUMC newsletter.

The treasury currently stands at \$610. In recent months missions have included:

July - Partial cost of LUMC's Vacation Bible School meal (Thanks to HCA Midwest Health Lafayette Regional

Health Center for their generous donation.)

May - Chamber of Commerce Gift Certificates for Graduating Seniors

May - Provided donuts to our local schools' teachers lounges in appreciation of our educators' service

A discussion was held regarding the needs of our community. Lack of personal supplies available in our schools was raised. By consensus the group agreed to purchase young children's underwear to be donated to Head Start, The Early Childhood Center, and Leslie Bell School. Nancy Oles will see that the purchases are made, receiving funds through Treasurer Janae Fuller.

The attendees were challenged to come up with Mission(s) for the WOC to lead in which to offer the entire congregation an opportunity to participate. Ideas will be considered at the next meeting on October 10.

The Women of the Church meet at noon the second Friday of each month for a carry-in luncheon in the LUMC choir room. Anyone is welcome to attend, please join us!

NEW SMALL GROUP STUDY, OCTOBER 12

Beginning Sunday, October 12th at 10 a.m., we will start a new small group study titled, "Why? Making Sense of God's Will," by Adam Hamilton.

Hamilton's book is described as making sense of God's will. "This is a profoundly satisfying treatment of common misconceptions about God," says Roger Olson, author of "Questions to all Your Answers."

This book is a reminder to never let go of your faith when suffering.

Hamilton brings insight to the age-old question of how to understand the will of God.

UPCOMING Events

TRUNK OR TREAT: SUNDAY, OCT. 26

Time to be determined. We will have this event inside our Buddy Black Family Life Center—fully decorated in spooktacular fashion! Bring the kiddos for a safe and fun time of trunk-or-treating. We are in need of volunteers to help decorate and to hand out candy, as well as donations of candy! Please donate to Liz Johnson in the church office.

HARVEST DINNER: SAT., NOV. 1, 6-8 p.m.

This event is open to the public and will take place in the Buddy Black Family Life Center. Free will offering, musical entertainment by Bill Fricke and the Knipmeyer Band, Silent Auction, fall-themed desserts, and more! We are in need of volunteers for desserts, the Silent Auction items and to help with the evening! Sign-up sheets are in the hallway.

FALL BACK: TURN BACK YOUR CLOCKS ONE HOUR BEFORE BEDTIME SAT. NOV. 1.

ALL SAINTS DAY, SUNDAY, NOV. 2, 11 a.m.

Join us as we remember the Saints who have passed away to live in the heavenly presence of Christ. Light a candle in remembrance and prayer and take part in our communion service.

CHARGE CONFERENCE HOSTED HERE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 10 to 12:30 p.m.

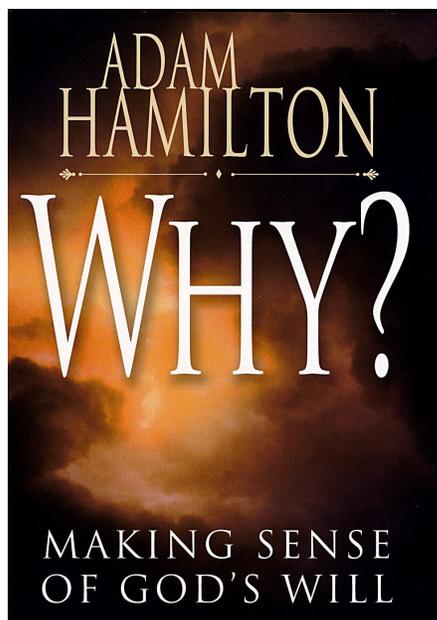
This year we are hosting the district Charge Conference remotely from our Buddy Black Family Life Center. Council Members and congregants are urged to attend. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

Church office is closed Wed., Nov. 26, Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28 for the holiday.

ADVENT SEASON BEGINS SUNDAY, NOV. 30

Our Christmas/Advent season begins Sunday, Nov. 30. Please join us for this holiest of seasons for a time of preparation, anticipation and reflection as we prepare for the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.



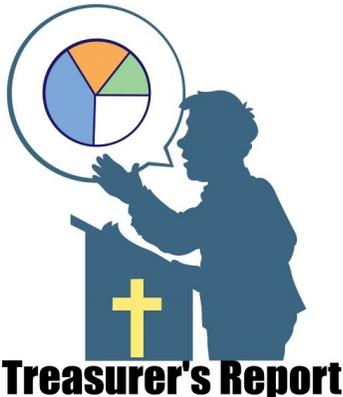
WORSHIP: Sundays 11 a.m.

**Sunday School: 10 a.m. Adult.
Children's Sunday School is 10 a.m.
Young Couple's Class: 10 a.m.**

**Choir Rehearsal: 10 a.m.
Worshiping Winds Rehearsal: 9:30 a.m.**

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Sept.: 2025



Treasurer's Report

September Offering:	\$ 6,477.00
Sept. Building Rental:	\$ 1,075.00
Sept. Avg. Expenses:	-\$13,641.00
Total (tithe)	-\$ 7,214.00
Year to Date (as of 8/31):	-\$ 9,722.22

****September 2025 full expenses is not available at this time.**

*Avg. Expenses 2025 \$ 13,641.00 (per month)

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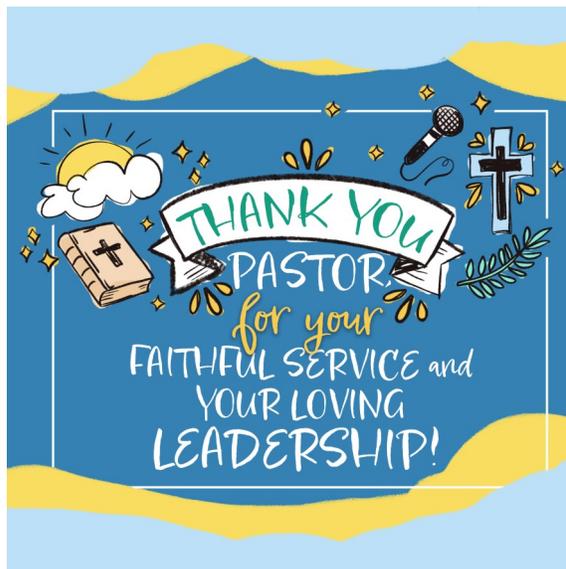
"Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor." ~ Proverbs 22:9

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remembrance. During the service, you will have the opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones who now live in the glory of Christ. Together, we will honor their witness and rejoice in the hope of resurrection.

This season is full of opportunities to worship, remember, and celebrate—so come and be part of it

with us. We hold to the promise of Scripture: *"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose,"* (Romans 8:28). Even in times of change, God is using all things for good and for God's glory. Together, as saints of God living in this season, we step forward with gratitude, courage, and joy.



October is Pastor Appreciation Month.
Please remember Pastor Andrew in your prayers of gratitude and support for his faithful leadership and ministry to our church and the community.
WE'RE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOU!
GOD BLESS ALWAYS.

Sunday, October 5, 2025

Scripture Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

*In faith, there is enough light for those who want to believe
and enough shadows to blind those who don't. —Blaise Pascal*

After WW II, the Allied powers established the International Military Tribunal (IMT) to bring Nazi leaders to justice for crimes against peace, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and conspiracy to commit any of the foregoing crimes.

Why do I bring this up? Because, in less than two weeks, we will observe the 80th anniversary of a major development in the so-called Nuremberg trials. On October 18, 1945, an indictment against 24 major war criminals and seven organizations was filed with the trial itself beginning on November 20. In all, 199 defendants were tried, 161 were convicted, and 37 were sentenced to death.

It is safe to say that most people who had suffered at the hands of the Nazis were relieved that those who had perpetrated untold atrocities upon other human beings were getting what they deserved. They were punished, and it was only right that they were.

Habakkuk would've approved. As it is, when we find him in our reading for today, he is in a bad mood. He does not like the way God is handling foreign affairs. He does not think God is doing a very good job.

Do we ever feel this way? Have you ever looked around at the world and felt like Habakkuk — frustrated, confused, maybe even angry? You see injustice flourishing, corruption unchecked, and people who do evil seemingly getting ahead. Meanwhile, the faithful struggle, and God seems silent.

While it is unlikely we have suffered as the world did for almost a decade while the Nazis were in power, we still bridle, do we not, at the slightest provocation? Like Habakkuk, we complain, "O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save?" (1:2). Habakkuk's complaint is not new. But he did learn something. God's delay is not the same thing as God's absence. God told him, "Look at the nations and see! Be astonished! Be astounded! For a work is being done in your days that you would not believe if you were told" (1:5). God sees the wickedness and is neither blind nor inactive, but we must trust God's timing, not ours. In the meantime, God says, "The righteous live by their faith" (2:4).

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: O God, help me to live by faith and not by sight. Amen.

Week of October 5, 2025

Daily Bible Readings

- Sunday:** 1 Corinthians 1-4
- Monday:** Ezekiel 22-24
- Tuesday:** Ezekiel 25-27
- Wednesday:** Ezekiel 28-30
- Thursday:** Ezekiel 31-33
- Friday:** Ezekiel 34-36
- Saturday:** Psalms 109-111

Verse to Remember

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.*

—Psalm 111:10

What happened and when it happened in U.S. history

Directions: At the bottom, fill in the letters that complete the sentences about these events in U.S. history begun in Group I. Take a letter from each group (II through IV) to complete the sentences.

Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV
A. Alaska joins	G. the 35 th President of the United States,	M. the first professional baseball league	S. on June 15, 1775
B. The National League	H. in the treatment	N. by opponents of Andrew Jackson	T. on April 14, 1834
C. The government approves AZT	I. the union	O. of AIDS patients	U. on Feb. 2, 1876
D. The Whig Party	J. is established	P. is born in Brookline, MA	V. on May 29, 1917
E. JFK,	K. becomes	Q. as the 49 th state	W. on Jan. 3, 1959
F. George Washington is chosen	L. commander in chief	R. of the Continental Army	X. on March 20, 1987
A. ____ B. ____ C. ____ D. ____ E. ____ F. ____			

Answers to "What happened and when it happened in U.S. History": A. IQW, B. KMU, C. HOX, D. JNT, E. GPV, F. LRS.



*"Jesus Christ,
who unites us
and keeps us as
one."*

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

God sees our wounds, our brokenness, our weariness. And in his hands, what is shattered can be restored. —Max Lucado

If it's not broken, don't fix it. We're familiar with this time-tested adage, and it rings true. But what about humans? Can we be repaired? Can we be healed?

When you think about it, the human body has a strong repairability index. But what about the soul? What about the mind? What about relationships? What about a marriage? What about the human heart?

The case of the Assyrian commander in today's reading is an interesting one, because here's a guy who gets a two-fer: Both his body and soul are healed! Naaman was sick. "He suffered from leprosy" (v. 1). It was a diagnosis no one wanted to hear. You can imagine Naaman seeing his doctor, and praying to himself, "Don't let it be leprosy! Don't let it be leprosy."

His fears were justified. It was a terrible, disfiguring disease. The Bible says, "Though a mighty warrior, [he] suffered from leprosy." This is the thing about disease: *it is no respecter of persons*. He was a big man. A powerful man. A wealthy man. But he had leprosy, and had to bear the social stigma that went with it.

Naaman learned that *repairs require faith*, and after humbling himself and following the prophet Elisha's prescription (dipping into the Jordan River seven times), he was healed.

This business of seeking a cure for a disease is tricky. On one hand, we are all headed for death. It is a destination none of us can avoid. At some point, the body is not fixable. But what about our hearts, souls and minds? Yes, these too can be healed and fixed.

Do you ever feel wounded, scarred, broken and falling apart? You, too, can be "repaired." That's what Jesus is all about. Repairs are guaranteed. As the gospel song puts it:

*He's the healer of broken hearts, / He'll mend your shattered dreams.
He'll pick up all the threads / Of your broken life
And weave them together again.
To your soul, he'll bring peace and joy.
A friend in need he'll be. / The healer of broken hearts
Is Jesus of Galilee.*

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Teach us to trust you as Naaman did — to walk in faith, even when your ways seem unexpected. Give us humility to obey, patience to wait, and confidence to believe that you are always at work in us. Help us to surrender our hurts, our fears and our failures into your hands, knowing that, in you, true healing is found. Amen.

Daily Bible Readings

- Sunday:** 1 Corinthians 5-8
- Monday:** Ezekiel 37-39
- Tuesday:** Ezekiel 40-42
- Wednesday:** Ezekiel 43-45
- Thursday:** Ezekiel 46-48
- Friday:** Daniel 1-6
- Saturday:** Psalms 112-118

Crypto-mania!

Try to decode the message below before looking up the verse in the Bible.
Clues: W=O, I=N

JEA HWN DB HVEKXWTY SW TY EIN DCBY Y TY EIN
JEMB LX Y QEK B SW YLXIB TZWI TY.

—Psalm 67:1

WORD SEARCH

These words were taken from an early 20th-century, eighth-grade spelling primer.
Find them in the Word Search below.

N	O	I	T	C	U	R	T	S	N	O	C	E	R	T
L	Y	V	Q	R	E	M	A	R	K	A	B	L	Y	H
J	A	T	S	N	E	N	O	H	P	O	X	A	S	G
A	S	N	U	S	O	J	O	U	R	N	J	G	U	I
M	E	M	O	R	A	N	D	U	M	N	E	N	P	L
B	I	V	E	I	B	E	C	G	Z	J	S	I	P	I
B	R	S	N	T	T	U	K	H	F	S	R	T	L	W
Y	I	P	A	N	A	R	L	J	A	L	E	H	E	T
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A	R	N	L	T	H	V	H	P	N	Q	A	I	E	U
S	P	T	U	O	H	J	H	O	O	T	R	N	N	C
W	H	I	M	P	E	R	E	D	R	R	T	D	T	L
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P	Y	D	S	C	R	U	P	U	L	O	U	S	L	U
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- memorandum
- metaphor
- nightingale
- nonchalant
- nucleus
- potent
- prairies
- proportional
- reconstruction
- remarkably
- saxophone
- scrupulous
- simultaneous
- sojourn
- supplement
- traverse
- turbulent
- twilight
- whimpered
- whimsical

Can you find a book of the Bible hidden in these sentences?

1. Piaget's theory proves there are four stages in the life of a child.
2. She sat in the snow by Muddy Creek numb with cold, barely able to feel her fingers.
3. Mother made us taste samples of gruel, otherwise known as porridge, and which we spit out on the sly.

- Answers:**
1. Es+ther
 2. Nm+b+ers
 3. Sam+uel

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

***Want to hear God speak? Read your Bible. Want to hear God speak audibly?
Read your Bible out loud! —Justin Peters***

Think about your favorite trip or adventure. Where did you go? How long were you gone? Where did you stay? How did you get there?

Ah, this last question is important, isn't it? To get to your destination, you needed some assistance. Someone had to give you directions, or you used a map.

Life is a journey, and every journey needs a reliable guide. For the believer, that guide is the Bible, God's voice speaking to us, offering wisdom, direction and encouragement at every stage of life. Whether we are young or old, active or slowing down, Scripture remains our moral and spiritual compass, pointing us toward truth, righteousness and hope. In today's reading, these words appear: "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work."

God's word guides us at every age. The world around us changes rapidly. Many of us have watched society shift in ways we never expected — new technology, new ideas and even new attitudes toward morality. In the midst of all this change, it can sometimes feel overwhelming. But one thing never changes: God's truth. Isaiah 40:8 reminds us: "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." While everything around us shifts, God's word remains steady and true. No matter how many birthdays we celebrate, Scripture continues to be our teacher, our source of wisdom and our moral compass.

But Bible also teaches and corrects us. It is "useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness." The Bible is not just for comfort, but also for instruction. It shows us how to live, corrects us when we go astray, and trains us to be more like Christ.

The ultimate goal, of course is to be "proficient, equipped for every good work." Some may wonder, "What good work can I do when I am elderly and homebound?" The answer is: Plenty! You can encourage and pray for others. You can share wisdom, guiding and inspiring the next generation.

Even in the quiet seasons of life, God is still using you, still equipping you, preparing you for works of faith, love and encouragement.

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Gracious God, help me to hold fast to your word, knowing that it will always lead me on the right path and sustain me through every season of life. Amen.

Daily Bible Readings

- Sunday:** 1 Corinthians 9-12
- Monday:** Daniel 7-9
- Tuesday:** Daniel 10-12
- Wednesday:** Esther 1-3
- Thursday:** Esther 4-7
- Friday:** Esther 8-10
- Saturday:** Psalm 119

Verse to Remember
Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.
 —Psalm 119:105

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE

Using the code of mathematical and scientific symbols in the column at the left, decipher the names of famous scientists who advanced our knowledge of the world.

- A** = ≠
- B** = ↙
- C** = ∑
- D** = ≅
- E** = α
- F** = ⊇
- G** = }
- H** = {
- I** = ≤
- L** = ∞
- M** = ↔
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- O** = ∄
- P** = π
- R** = Ω
- S** = ∇
- T** = ∠
- U** = √

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- E. ∑ √ Ω ≤ α _____
- F. ↙ α ∞ ∞ _____
- G. ⊇ ∞ α ↔ ≤ ± }
- H. ≠ ↔ π α Ω α _____
- I. ∑ α ∞ ∇ ≤ √ ∇ _____
- J. π ≠ ∇ ∑ ≠ ∞ _____

Solution:
 A. Galileo
 B. Archimedes
 C. Oppenheimer
 D. Einstein
 E. Curie
 F. Bell
 G. Fleming
 H. Ampere
 I. Celsius
 J. Pascal

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it's thinking of yourself less.
—Rick Warren

In today's reading, Jesus tells a story about two men, a tax man and a Pharisee. He has high praise for the former and contempt for the latter. Let's take a closer look. The first thing we notice — perhaps with disappointment — is that this reading is not about taxes and tax collectors at all! *It is rather about the best way to get on God's good side.*

Jesus expressed this somewhat more theologically: "I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted" (v. 14).

We get on God's good side *by humbly confessing that we're sinners in need of God's redemptive mercy.*

The Pharisee didn't get this. Notice that everything in his prayer is true. Unfortunately, it was truth fish-wrapped in pride disguised as gratitude. "God, I thank you." So far so good. Then he crossed a line: "... that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers" (v. 11). He might've been okay if he'd stopped right there. But no, he had to keep going, "... or even like this tax-collector." This guy forgot that God loves thieves, rogues, adulterers and tax collectors! God even loves you and me!

Truth is, we don't really like people who are proud and full of themselves, do we? Sadly, it's hard for such people to get on God's good side. We prefer to be around those who can see beyond themselves, who show evident concern in the welfare of others, who take an interest in us, who seek justice and walk humbly with God, as the prophet Micah noted.

For example, I'm thinking of the leader who serves rather than bossing people around; the CEO who spends time learning employees' names, listening to their concerns, and even doing some of their tasks to understand their struggles. Or the physics teacher who corrects a student in class, only to later realize she misunderstood the situation. Instead of doubling down in pride, she publicly apologizes to the student, modeling that true humility means owning mistakes and valuing truth over ego. Or the woman who notices an elderly neighbor struggling to maintain his yard. Quietly, she mows his lawn, pulls weeds, and leaves fresh flowers by his door. She never tells anyone.

Humility. The tax collector had it when he prayed the "Sinner's Prayer." We, too, can clothe ourselves in these attractive garments when we walk humbly with God and our neighbor

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Lord Jesus, open the eyes of my heart, that I may see. In your name. Amen.

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: 1 Corinthians 13-16

Monday: Ezra 1-4

Tuesday: Haggai 1-2; Zech. 1-2

Wednesday: Zechariah 3-6

Thursday: Zechariah 7-10

Friday: Zechariah 11-14

Saturday: Psalms 120-123

Germany Scramble

Here is the alphabet with some letters omitted. When you find all the missing letters, unscramble them to spell the name of a well-known German city. Write your answer on the line provided.

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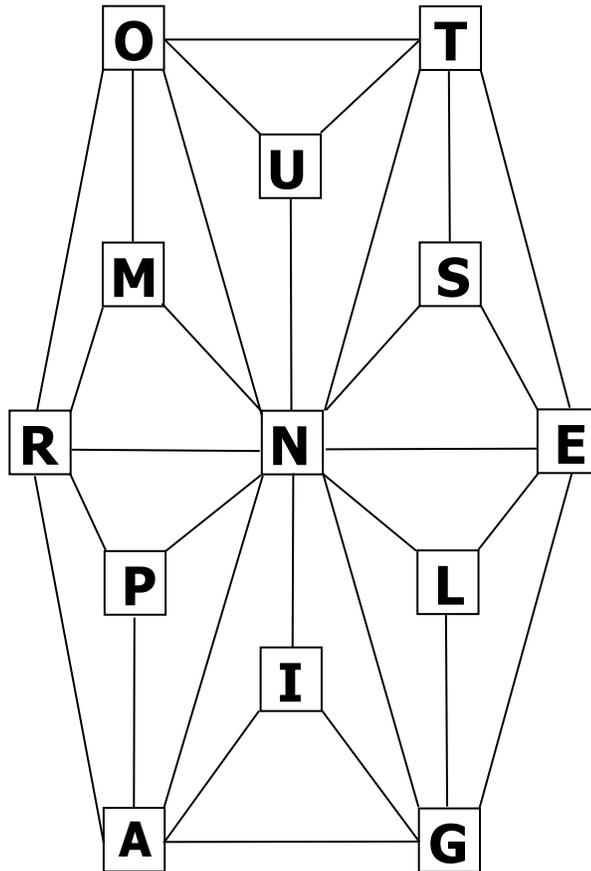
F X Y Z I J K V

W L N O

WORD MAZE

Directions: Spell as many words as possible by starting anywhere in the maze and moving along the connecting lines. Do not skip letters.

For example, you cannot form the word **must**, since to get from **m** to **u** you would need to skip either **o** or **n**. You may return to use the same letter twice as when you form the word **noun**, but you cannot use the same letter twice in succession.



Four-letter words

Five-letter words

Longer words

Word Maze, possible

words:

4-letter words: gain, pain, lens, mote, page, nuts,

nest, sent, rant, rain, pant,

5-letter words: giant, paint,

tents, notes, stone, stout,

motor, mount; **Longer**

words: morning, raging,

routes, giants, mounts,

promote; **German**

Scramble:

Hamburg.