

The Heartbeat

October 2026

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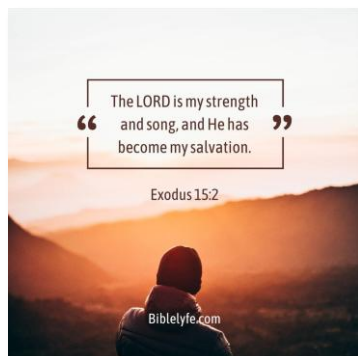
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Every Sunday :

Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.

Worship - 10:15 a.m.



“The LORD is my strength
and song, and He has
become my salvation.”

Exodus 15:2

BibleLife.com

A Minute with Mike

President Abraham Lincoln, in a National Proclamation of Prayer and Repentance in 1863 wrote, “We have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us! It behooves us, then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.”

The third chapter of the book of Ecclesiastes tells us “For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

We have changed seasons, from summer to fall. The days have become shorter. Darkness comes earlier. Some of our activities will change. We’ll be doing less outside and more inside.

Whether inside or outside, in summer or fall, prayer is always in season. There is so much to pray about. We have the church prayer list, those personal prayers about self or family or friends, prayers for our country and our world.

Pray that our church will remain a loving caring fellowship. Pray that we will reach out to our communities. Pray that God will use his hand to further our work for the kingdom of Jesus Christ.

Regardless of the season, our God is always nearby. He wants to hear from us. He wants us to be close to him as he is close to us. Each day, set a time to commune with our Lord. We will be better for it and it will make God smile.

Blessings in Christ,
Mike

October 2026

Schedule of Events – October

15 Midwest 11am

16 Community Cupboard 1-3pm

18 Sunday Social & Pastor Appreciation Sunday!

19 Area Camp Fellowship @ VCC 6pm

11 & 25 Youth Group 4:30-7

*****Every Week Invite A Friend**

September Averages

Sunday School - 30

Worship - 58

General Funds- \$1,750.00

Faith Promise- \$125.00

Monthly Needs

General Funds - \$2,125.27

Faith Promise - \$180.00

Building Fund – \$0.00

Monthly Needs - \$750.00

Sunday Servants

Greeters

4: Randy & Sharon Parks

11: Mark & Amanda Behymer

18: Nancy P. & Donna S.

25: Jere & Paula Greuel

Welcome/Meditation

Randy Parks

Rick R./Rodney P.

Marla Butcher

Lyndall S./Kristie O.

Nursery

Emery Behymer & Addie Martinez

Paula Greuel & Amanda Behymer

Luis & Diane Martinez

Brian & Christen Parks

Monthly Servants

Elder

Randy Parks

Deacon

Myles Taylor

Deaconess

Charlene Abernathy



03 Dale Roberts
08 Tana Crossman
09 Linda Goodin
13 Kevin Betz
15 Jamison Mercer
30 Nancy Porter



7 Mark & Amanda Behymer

Junior Worship

4: Allie Taylor

11: Luis Martinez

18: Christen Parks

25: Carmen Martinez



Sunday Social!

Sunday, October 18th we will gather after worship for our Sunday Social lunch and fellowship. We will also be using this time to show our love and appreciation to our Pastor! Join us and invite a friend or 2!



The Youth Group is looking for Donations of pumpkins of all sizes for a Sunday evening activity. About 10, by October 15th. Let Diane know if you can donate!



NOT TO US, LORD,
NOT TO US BUT TO YOUR
NAME BE THE GLORY, BECAUSE OF YOUR

love AND faithfulness
PSALM 115:2 NIV

Bible Study

October 7th we will be starting a bible study here at VCC, Wednesday mornings at 10am and evenings at 6:30pm.

Area Camp Meeting
Held at Vermont Christian Church

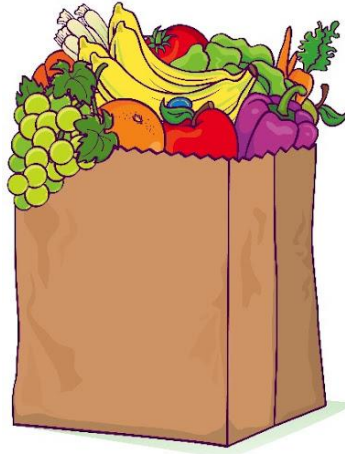
October 19, 2026
6:00 p.m. Dinner
7:00 Worship/Message



Please join us!
Help us in supporting LaMoine Christian Service Camp.

We will be working on gathering items for Thanksgiving Food Baskets in the near future and will be collecting the following items:

- Boxed Stuffing
- Box of Instant Potatoes
- Box of Macaroni and Cheese
- Canned Yams
- Bag of Marshmallows
- Canned Green Beans
- Cans of Cream of Mushroom Soup
- French Fried Onions
- Cans of Corn
- Canned Cranberry Sauce
- Jars of Gravy (Or packets)
- Cornbread Mix
- Dessert Mix (Pumpkin Pie Mix, Brownie Mix, Cake Mix, Jello, etc.)
- Large Frozen Turkey or Ham



Donations can be dropped off in the FLC or contact Diane

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