

Welcome to Worship!

10:45 a.m. Worship

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost/Founders Day

August 17, 2025

Announcements

Welcome

♪ *My Reward**

♪ *Just Like You've Always Done**

God's Word for Today – Genesis 11:1-9

Revelation 7:9-10

Luke 12:49-53



Children's Message

Message – Foundations of Our Faith: "Sin Divides; Christ Restores"

♪ *The Church**

A Time of Confession

Leader: Heavenly Father, Creator of all; in the beginning You spoke forth light,

All: but too often we choose to live in darkness.

L: You formed humanity from the dust and gave us the very breath in our lungs,

C: but we have put it to ill use.

L: You invite us to walk with You each day,

C: but we hide from You.

L: You've given us the gifts of family, friends, and community,

C: but we've let selfishness rule our lives.

L: You've called us to be beacons of your love,

C: but we've closed ourselves off from those who need it.

L: We know that only You are God,

C: and yet we still want to go our own way.

L: We take time to silently confess the ways we've disconnected ourselves from our Creator.

(Time for silent confession)

Forgiveness

We Offer Up Our Gifts

The Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

A Departing Word

Leader: *When we forget that God is God and we are not,*

All: God's Word is the foundation of our faith.

Blessing

A Song to Go – ♪ *House of the Lord**

**Songs are linked to artist videos*

Wedding

Keith Lavielle and **Hannah Hayes** exchanged marriage vows on Saturday, August 16.



Serving in our worship today:

Worship Leader – Pastor Joel Kaiser

Service Coordinators – Mike & Kathryn Nuechterlein

Reader – Alecia Winterstein

Greeters – Juli Cleary and family, Zach & Lindsey Eickhoff and family

Welcome Desk – Jeremy & Aggie Wyman and family

Coffee – Beth VanWormer

Ushers – Michael & Michelle Duclos

Media –

Alexa Cleary	Doug Lamb
Carson Block	Gary Daenzer
Collin Reinert	Wendy Stenglein

Worship Team –

Kevin Cooper	Thomas Winterstein
MacKenzie Drinan	Todd Walter
Mark Hambaum	Zac Mueller
Mindy Bierlein	



Foundations of Our Faith

"Sin Divides; Christ Restores"

Genesis 11:1-9

Intro

I. Sin Divides

God said, "Be fruitful and multiply and _____ the earth" (Gen. 9:1)

"Lest we be _____ over the face of the
whole earth" (Gen. 11:4)

"So the Lord _____ them from there over
the face of the whole earth (Gen. 11:9)

II. The Impact of Babel

of languages: _____

of language families: _____

of races: _____

Prevention of greater _____

III. The Impact of Christ

A. Because of SIN ...

"Do you think that I have come to give _____ on earth? No, I tell you,
but rather _____." (Luke 12:51)

B. Because of GRACE ...

"And the LORD _____ to see the city and the tower..."
(Gen. 11: 5)

"Come, let us _____" (Gen. 11: 7)

"For [Christ] himself is our peace, who has... broken down **in His flesh** the
_____ wall of hostility" (Eph. 2:14)

**"Why would
humans evolve
a system of
communication
that prevents
them [from]
communicating
with other
members of the
same species?"**

*-Mark Pagel
Evolutionary
Biologist*