

BROADCASTER

November 2023



WORSHIP ANEW
PROGRAM SCHEDULE

BE THE
RECOMMENDATION

A SNEAK PEEK
INTO HOPE-FULL LIVING

NEW BROADCASTER
LAUNCHES NEXT MONTH



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Unwavering Faith

In our Christian walk of faith, there's a timeless reminder that resonates deeply with those who've journeyed through life's seasons — the unwavering commitment to sharing one's beliefs, even when faced with adversity. Some time ago I was asked to give a prayer at a special event. I told the organization I would be honored to do so. However, a little later they followed back around to explain that the honorees of a prestigious award were Jewish, and therefore, the organization wanted to ensure that my prayer would not reference Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Have you been in a situation where you were not to speak of your faith? That was the situation the apostles found themselves in Acts 4:20, which encapsulates this principle: "For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." This verse, deeply rooted in faith, speaks to the steadfast convictions that we as Christians are to possess. It resonates with the unshakable faith of believers who cannot help but share the transformative message of the Gospel.



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Throughout history, Christians have faced adversity and persecution for their faith. Perhaps you yourself have courageously shared your own beliefs, even when confronted with opposition or danger. God's Word proclaims the freedom to express one's faith and advocate for religious liberty. It speaks to the enduring relevance of faith in a world that may sometimes overlook the voices of the older generation.

In a world where secularism and skepticism have become more prevalent, there's a call to confess Christ through outreach efforts. With your wealth of life experiences, you are uniquely positioned to speak boldly about your faith, whether in your community or through ministries like Worship Anew.

Worship Anew is a ministry that engages and equips aging adults with resources to live a full and abundant life in Jesus Christ. It offers a platform for believers, especially those in the later chapters of life, to remain steadfast in the faith while also sharing that Gospel message with others. Through our many resources, Worship Anew extends the reach of the Gospel to those who are earnestly seeking to be connected to God's Word.

Our faith goes beyond words and is manifested in compassion, service, and love for others. The example set by early Christians who lived out their beliefs remains an inspiration, especially to older believers who have witnessed the transformative power of faith in action.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Lutheran pastor and theologian during World War II, exemplified the principles of faith, unwavering witness, and service. He stood up against a terrible dictator, even though it was very dangerous. His life serves as a reminder that faith calls us to action, even in the face of great adversity.

As we reflect on Acts 4:20 and these timeless principles, we are reminded that faith, regardless of age, is a beacon of light. It inspires and guides, offering hope and peace through the gifts of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Your stories and your faith continue to shine brightly, bringing the message of Christ's love to those near and far. In a world that needs the transformative power we have through faith in Jesus Christ, your enduring witness is a gift that keeps on giving. Through ministries like Worship Anew, your faith journey continues, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts and lives of others.

Worship Anew in November

Year 2023 | Series A



Our True Hope

November 5, 2023 – All Saints' Day Observed

Rev. Jeremy Swem

In the midst of hardships, struggles, and persecution it is easy to lose hope and falsely believe that God has abandoned us. He has not. John in his Revelation provides us the sure and certain hope that our Savior brings us through all these things finally giving to us His victory.

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:1-12

Readings: Psalm 149; Revelation 7:9-17; Matthew 5:1-12



Last Day Hope

November 12, 2023 – Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

We learn from the Apostle Paul about Last Day realities, which mean for us present-day hope. These truths about that Day move us to encourage one another now as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Sermon Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Readings: Psalm 17; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13



Good and Faithful Servants

November 19, 2023 – Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Thomas Eggold

In Christ, God's wrath has been satisfied, and we have been liberated from sin and freed to serve; freed to use the talents God has given us; freed to be the people Christ died to create. And in Christ, the Master call us "good and faithful servants" as we carry out His work in the world.

Sermon Text: Matthew 25:14-30

Readings: Psalm 146; Zephaniah 1:7-16; Matthew 25:14-30



Sheep and Goats

November 26, 2023 – Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Shayne Jonker

The sheep go to the right, the goats to the left, but take note of the terms of separation. They are sorted on the basis of what they are, not what they do. And this is precisely what the apostle Paul means when he says that we are justified by God's grace through faith in Christ apart from works of the law. Final Judgment is made not on the basis of what you did, but on the basis of what you are.

Sermon Text: Matthew 25:32

Readings: Psalm 95:1-7a; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Matthew 25:31-46

Sudoku

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HOPE-FULL

A Look Inside LIVING



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

Fixing Roofs

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10

Let's begin with this obvious statement: God does not need our "good works." But it begs the question, "Then who does?" We know the answer: our neighbor does.

There are many hurting people around us. Some of them sit next to us in the pew, some live next door, or in the same home with us. Some of them bag our groceries or cut our hair (or what's left of it).

Hurting people are all around us and they need something we have to give. Having been freed from the tyranny of earning God's favor through Christ Jesus, we're now free to serve our neighbor simply because they are our neighbors, and they are hurting.

We have our freedom in Christ. Now we can fix our neighbors' roof, simply because it needs fixing.

*David Boyd
Staunton, VA*

Jesus, your "Good Work" on the Cross frees me to see my neighbors and to help them. Amen.

Reflect: Identify some people who could benefit from an encouraging word today?

Read: Ephesians 2:1-10 and Philippians 2:1-4

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Can you think of someone whose faith has shaped your own? How?

What are some ways you can share your faith with others?

Are there hymns that remind you of your loved ones?

By Gina Teeple

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Recommendation

As the air turns chilly each autumn, just before the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, a song begins to play in my head and my heart:

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed; Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!

All Saints' Day took on new meaning for me after my mother died 10 years ago. Like so many mothers and daughters, our relationship vacillated between intense interdependence and fierce independence. I always needed her, but so often I was striving to get away from her.

I wish I could tell you my mother was perfect, or even close to it, but the truth is my mother was a complicated woman who lived a difficult life. She did not always make the best choices (who does?), and the consequences of those choices impacted every aspect of her life on earth. Nevertheless, her hope was always in the Lord.

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia, Alleluia!

My mother's faith was truly the foundation of her life and being. She prayed often, and she didn't just read her Bible every day — she studied it and shared it with anyone who would listen. Often that was me. No matter what happened in our lives or between the two of us, she always pointed me back to the truth of Scripture.

The impact that this continues to have on me cannot be overstated. Even though life is difficult, and I do not always make the best choices (again, who does?), my hope is always in the Lord!

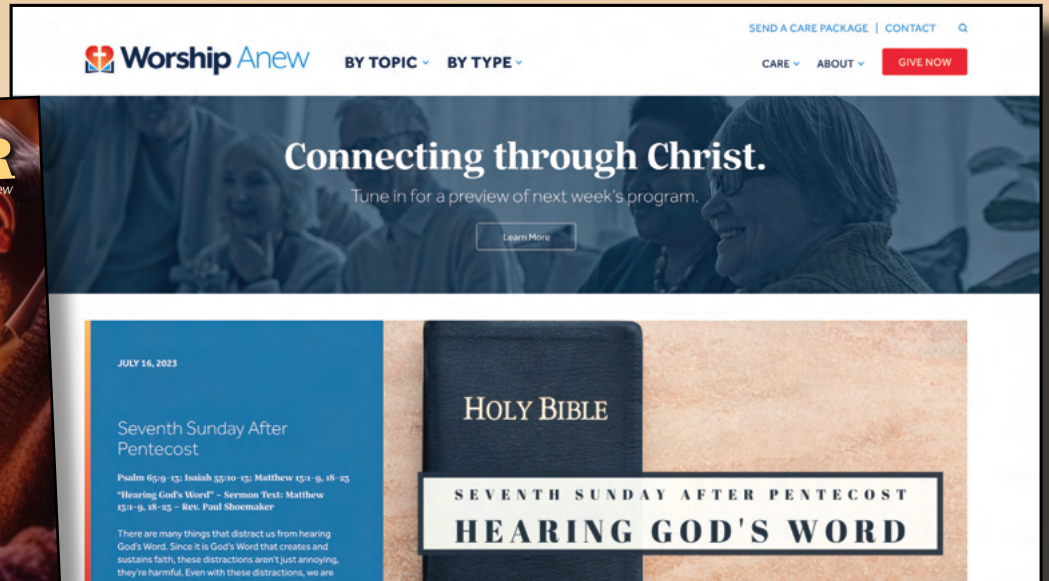
When I think of the legacy of faith my mother left me, the Apostle Paul's words come to mind: "You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts." (2 Corinthians 3:2-3, ESV)

The Gospel I share with others is the Gospel she shared with me. I am her letter of recommendation, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, to be known and read by all. To God be the glory!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!

It's almost here!

Next month, we will be unveiling our new Broadcaster Magazine! It will still have the same great content that you enjoy, but it will have even more helpful and inspiring articles. If you are already receiving the Broadcaster, you will continue to receive the new magazine. Learn more about our new Broadcaster, thanks to the Lutheran Women in Mission – LWML, on our newly redesigned website, WorshipAnew.org.



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