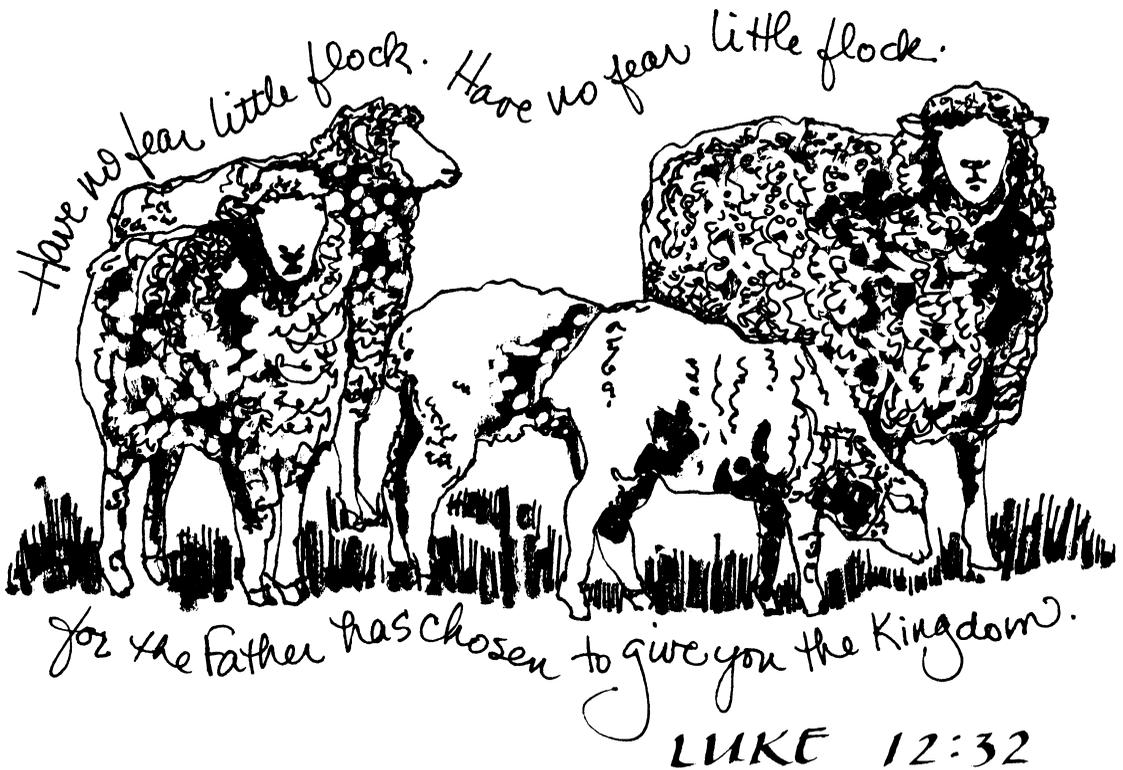


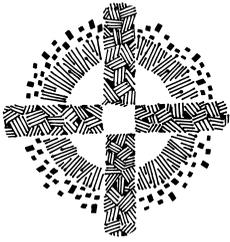


Good Shepherd's Lutheran



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 7 and 8, 2022



**Teach me your way, O Lord,
and I will walk in your truth;
give me an undivided heart,
that I may fear your name.**

Psalm 86:11

Worship Information

Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd's Lutheran Church.

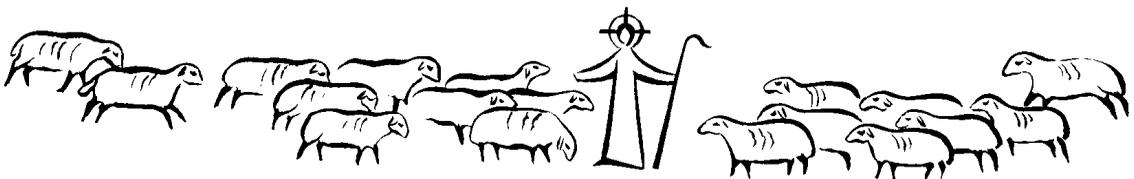
- If your child becomes restless while sitting with you during the service, we have a room on the lower level. Ask an usher if you need assistance.
- If you are hearing impaired, we are equipped with an audio induction loop assistive listening system. Please switch your hearing aid to "T" or request assistance from an usher.



WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

TODAY'S WORSHIP FOCUS

Last week Jesus warned us against overvaluing earthly wealth. This week Jesus warns against undervaluing heavenly treasure. Last week, Jesus exposed the foolishness of greed. This week, Jesus exposes the foolishness of any type of worry. This week might be the bigger challenge because it can be hard to avoid worry. But Jesus focuses us by pointing to creatures that do not labor, yet are daily fed and clothed. Even more Jesus points to our Father who promises to give us the heavenly treasures of his kingdom.



OPENING HYMN

918 | *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

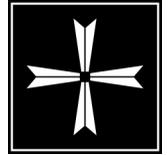
M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection



The Invocation reminds us that we gather before our Triune God who is eager to bless us.



The initial responses are from 1 John 1:8-9.

While it is impossible to remember every sin (which God never says he expects of us), this confession of sins recalls the reality of our sinfulness that is displayed in a variety of ways.

Jesus authorized us to speak these words of forgiveness on his behalf. Hear them as Jesus speaking to you!



The word Kyrie is a Greek word from the phrase Kyrie eleison which means, "Lord, have mercy!" It is not a cry for forgiveness, but a plea that our Lord hear us and help us in our necessities and trouble. Christians have been praying the Kyrie at Sunday worship for more than 1700 years.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY - Kyrie

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy..**

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord..

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

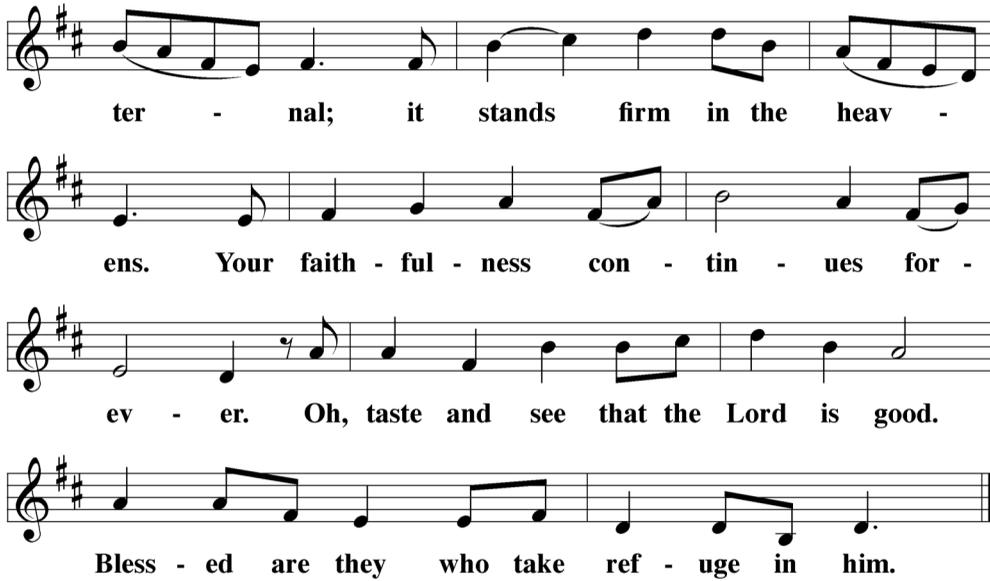
O TASTE AND SEE



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
 ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
 ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
 Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.



This song is based on Psalm 34:8 and Psalm 119:89. These verses summarize our reason to praise God — we are blessed to take refuge in his love and forgiveness because his Word proclaims eternal, saving truth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and willing to give far more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

PLEASE BE SEATED



God's promises had not yet come true in Abram's life, and yet he believed and saw the treasures that God would give to him.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 15:1-6

After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision:

"Do not be afraid, Abram.
I am your shield,
your very great reward."

But Abram said, "O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."

Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir." He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.



The Psalmist saw that God will never leave his people. The Lord will watch over you!

PSALM 121

Refrain



Keep me, keep me as the ap - ple of your eye.



Hide me, hide me in the shad-ow of your wings.

Psalm tone



I lift up my eyes to the hills.*

Where does my help come from?

My help comes from the LORD,*

the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip,*

he who watches over you will not slumber;

indeed, he who watches over Israel*

will neither slumber nor sleep.

Refrain

The LORD watches over you,*

the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

The LORD will keep you from all harm,*

he will watch over your life;

the LORD will watch over your coming and going*

both now and forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain





The gift of faith allows us to see the treasure that is found in the city whose architect and builder is God.

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

By faith Abraham, even though he was past age—Sarah herself was barren—was enabled to become a father because he considered him faithful who had made the promise. And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, and they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.



VERSE OF THE DAY



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PLEASE STAND

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 12:22-34

Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

"Consider how the lilies grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here



These are the words of John 20:31 set to music. The words remind us of the powerful message that we hear in God's Word — words that direct us to Jesus as our Savior.

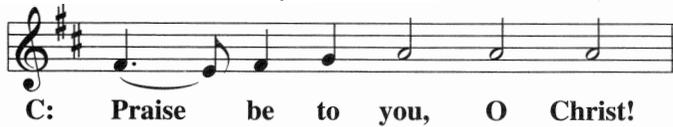


Jesus assures us we have a Father in heaven who knows what we need better than we do.

today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

“Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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HYMN OF THE DAY

861 | *Lord Jesus Christ, The Church's Head*

SERMON

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER

PLEASE STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Spoken by the Minister.



*This Creed
is filled
with profound
statements about
God and what he
has done to save
us. As you say
these words, let
the words
comfort you and
remind you of
the most sacred
truth in the
world—the
Triune God has
saved you!*



This is the prayer Jesus taught his disciples when they asked him to teach them to pray (Luke 11:1-4). If you would like to review the meaning of this prayer, our hymnal includes Luther's Small Catechism. The section on the Lord's Prayer begins on page 289.

LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.**

PLEASE BE SEATED

HYMN

502 | *Children of the Heavenly Father*

PLEASE STAND

CLOSING PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

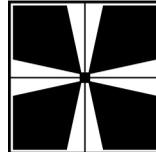
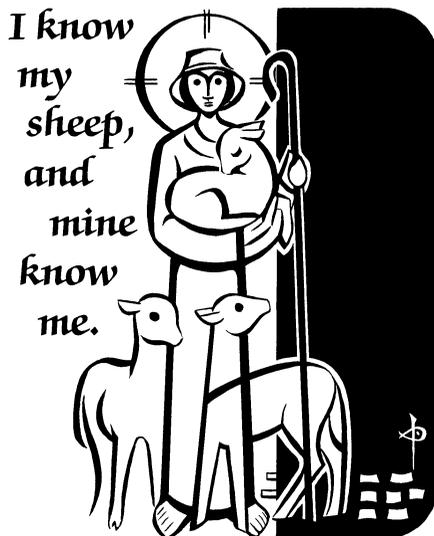
The LORD look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

PLEASE BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN

930 vs. 1 and 4 | *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*



The Benediction is the Word of God—given by God for the Old Testament priests. The same God promises to bless you!



Offering plates are available by the doors.

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SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Presiding Minister and Preacher	Pastor Joshua Zarling
Worship Accompanist	Debra Aufdemberge
8:00am Ushers	Genaro Castro and Craig Niermann
10:30am Ushers	Marion Bernoteit, Donna Scherzberg, and Debby Vaccarella
6:30pm Ushers	Patrick Zabrowski and Joe Zabrowski

WEEKLY CALENDAR

(also on www.GoodShepherds.net)

Sunday (August 7)	8:00am and 10:30am 9:15am 12:00pm	Worship Services Adult Bible Class School Registration
Monday (August 8)	6:30pm 7:30pm	Worship Service Pickleball Mondays
Tuesday (August 9)	8:30am 6:00pm 6:30pm	Work Crew Board of Education Board of Elders
Wednesday (August 10)	6:30pm	Walk with Me at Greenfield Park
Thursday (August 11)	10:30am 7:30pm	Bible Class at Woodlawn Bible Class at Woodlawn
Sunday (August 14)	8:00am and 10:30am 9:15am	Worship Services (Communion) Adult Bible Class
Monday (August 15)	6:30pm	Worship Service (Communion)
Tuesday (August 16)	8:30am	Work Crew

Attendance Last Weekend: 202

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Wessel, who serves at Woodlawn Lutheran Church which is part of our new merged congregation, has returned a call to Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Wausau, Wisconsin.

Sunday Bible Class—Today we will look at the Freewill. Next week, we will look at what the Bible says about Good Works.

Attention School Families—School registration is TODAY, August 7th, from 12:00 to 1:30pm.

Saturday Evening Worship—Woodlawn Lutheran Church has a worship service on Saturday evenings at 5:00pm. If that is a more convenient time for you, you are invited to those services.

Bible Class at Woodlawn: *10 Lies About God*—"God just wants me to be happy." "God helps those who help themselves." How many times have you heard these sayings in secular culture or from a professing Christian? Despite their positive appeal, these sayings have dangerous implications for Christian theology. You are invited to a Bible Class in the cafeteria at Woodlawn Lutheran Church on Thursdays at 10:30am or 7:30pm.

Youth Group—Students in 7th to 12th grade for the upcoming school year are invited to join us for our upcoming Youth Group events.

- August 27-Milkmen Game
- September 17-Beats for Heartbeats

Please use the following link to let us know if you will be able to join us: <https://tinyurl.com/TEENflock>. Once we have an idea of numbers, we will be able to organize purchasing tickets for the August and September events.

Fellowship Activities—The following joint fellowship opportunities are available for you to spend time with your church friends and meet new people.

- ***Saturday Morning Stretch Classes*** in our air-conditioned Good Shepherd's gym from 10-11am. The next one will be on August 13th and every other Saturday through September 17th. Open to all members 18 and over with any fitness level. Emphasis on teaching proper stretching technics for physical wellness and improved range of motion by certified trainers from the Wisconsin Athletic Club. Cost per class is \$5.
- ***Walk With Me Wednesdays***—Every Wednesday at Greenfield Park pond area. Come and go as you please. Guests will have access to a cooler full of free ice cold water bottles. Come walk around the paved pond path with us, enjoy the sunset, and chat with some members you don't know and walk a lap or two with them.
- ***Pickleball Mondays at Nathan Hale High School***—This will be on Mondays from 7:30-9:45pm in the air-conditioned south gym. There is a \$3 entrance fee. Come any Monday night and stay as long as you like. We will teach you - any skill level is welcome for both beginners and die-hard players. Entrance fee also gets you access to open gym badminton which happens separately in the field house.

WELS/ELS Singles Retreat Nov 11-13, 2022 at Camp Phillip—Did you know that November 11 is International Singles Day? If you are single, you are invited to the 2022 WELS/ELS Singles Retreat at Camp Phillip.

WELS/ELS Singles gathering at Art a la Carte at the Milwaukee County Zoo on Sunday, August 21 at 2:00pm. They will meet at the picnic area, behind the carousel on the south side of the welcome center and then decide how to go through the zoo for animals, vendors, and live music. If you have questions, contact Rachel at rachelfritz@yahoo.com.

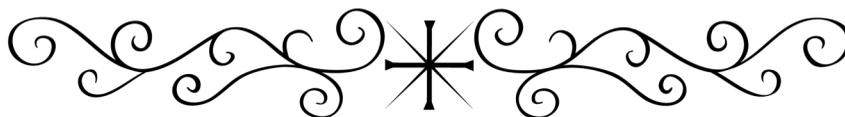
Financial Aid Job Opening—Wisconsin Lutheran College is seeking candidates for a **Financial Aid Specialist**. As a member of the Financial Aid Office team, the Specialist supports financial aid processing for students. This role collaborates with team members in maintaining the financial aid workflow that helps achieve the college's ministry goal of reaching and serving students who seek a Bible-based, servant leadership-driven education. For details, please visit wlc.edu/hr.

Jr. Viking Boys and Girls Basketball Tryouts—Be a part of the Jr. Vikings basketball program! Registration to tryout is open to both boys and girls (grades 3-8). Increase basketball fundamental skills, compete at a higher level, develop relationships with future classmates in a Christ-centered team atmosphere. Boys tryouts are August 26 and 27 and girls tryouts are September 10 and 17. Visit wlhs.org/jrvikings to register. There is a \$10 tryout fee.

Jr. Viking Cheerleading Open Registration—Girls in 1st-8th grade are invited to register for Jr. Vikings Cheer. Participants will develop safe cheerleading skills for the purposes of performing at games and in local competitions, develop their athletic cheer ability, and ultimately use our athletic gifts to glorify God in all we do. To register, visit wlhs.org/jrvikings by Friday, August 26.

SERVING NEXT WEEK

Cleaning Team #11	Tim and Jessica Hochmuth, Mike and Carrie Henning, Peter and Rebecca Iles, and Pastor and Rossi Zarling
8:00am Ushers	Denise Romenesko and Linda Veldman
10:30am Ushers	Andrew Mielke and Drew Wempner
6:30pm Usher	Ryan Hoffman



DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES

For a DVD of today's service please contact the church office.

Time of Grace can be seen Sundays at 10:30am on channel 58, CBS; 7:00am on channel 41, ME-TV; Saturdays at 12:00 am on channel 4, NBC.

Daily Devotions—Sign up to receive devotions by email at wels.net/servingyou/devotions.

Issues of *Meditations* and *Forward in Christ* are in the rack in the back of church. If you wish to donate to the cost, place your gift in the box beneath the rack. Our cost for *Meditations* is \$3.50, and \$1.50 for *Forward in Christ*.



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