Why we sing *How Firm a Foundation* is to remind us that God's presence and promises remain certain even when our circumstances are not. The authorship of the text is attributed only to "K," and the anonymous American folk tune was first paired with the text in 1832 and was a favorite of Theodore Roosevelt. The first stanza introduces the following verses, which are presented as God's own words of assurance: "Fear not, I am with you"; "I'll strengthen you, help you"; and "my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply." Like Joseph, who remained faithful to God even while unjustly imprisoned, we may find ourselves in circumstances we did not choose or understand. As we sing, we are reminded that suffering does not mean God has abandoned us; God remains our firm foundation, strengthening us through every trial and sustaining us with an unchanging love.

GriefShare meets on Monday afternoons from 3:15-4:45 pm at The Ecumen Meadows. You are welcome to join at any time.

For more information on the Resurface Conference, please check out the flyer on the bulletin board or pick up a flyer off the table in Centennial Hall.

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September 27, 2026 – Joseph in Prison (* = please stand)

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SUNDAY SERVANTS

ASSISTING MINISTER/LECTOR	Todd Hallstrom
ACOLYTE:	Jordan Blair
SOUND:	Pat Demuth
POWERPOINT:	Glenda Lais
ORGANIST:	Nancy Hofstee
VAN DRIVERS:	9-27 Matt Russell (360-5835)
	10-4 Matt Russell (360-5835)
GREETER:	Diana White
LIVESTREAM:	Carrie Adams
COFFEE:	Brenda Hurlbut, Diane Sletten & Kathy Craun

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 100 Attendance a year ago: 52
Attendance Last Wednesday: 20 Livestream: 394

Members: Gary Frodermann, Ardys Jacobson, Grace McGaughey, Laura Christensen, Bob Benson, Linda Towne, Mike Vosburgh, Logan Waldner, Shirley Frisch, Erin Schutte-Wadzinski, Wadzinski Family, Leroy Merkel, Alvin Kuehl, Dennis Zierke, Kathy Summers, Glenda Lais, Val Veen, Zach Kempema, Gayle Huehn, JoAnn Kruse, Charlene Wachter, Marilyn Frisch, Julie & Denny Christensen
Members in Nursing Homes: Joan Tofteland
Members in Care Facilities: Rosann Boots, Karen Lewis, Jean Bender, Jean Black
Family Members & Friends: Gordy Moore, Brad Milbrath (son of Vickie Milbrath), Bishop Charles Anderson, Mikeayla Engidaw, Connie Ness (friend of Vickie Milbrath), David King (friend of Kevin & Pam Fleming), Verna Hill, (mother of Mary Ingenthron), Avrey Smith (brother of Austin Peters-Smith), Aaron & Amy Koob (nephew of Dale & Debbie Koob), Rita Knutson, Wendy Frodermann (family of Eric & Lisa Milbrath), Rachael Felske (granddaughter of Karen Buchman), Suzy Wilson (cousin of Gayle Huehn), Ken Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing and Nancy Hellstrom), Vickie Bierman (sister of Lisa Waldner), Darlene Vaala (grandmother of Tiffany Neugebauer), Debbie Schannaw (daughter of Gayle Huehn), Rick Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing & Nancy Hellstrom), Kelly Reeves & family (Friend of Lisa Waldner), Maghan Fleming (Daughter-in-law of Kevin & Pam Fleming, Mark Richards, Joe Christensen (son of Nora Leinen & Gene Christensen), Butch Zeiner (Valerie Veen's brother), Josh Hansen (Mary Ingenthron's son)
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FELC SCHEDULE FOR September 28-October 4, 2026

Monday – 28	9:00AM	Bulletin Deadline
	3:15-4:45PM	GriefShare @ Ecumen Meadows
Tuesday – 29		
Wednesday – 30	4:00-5:15PM	KFC (Kids for Christ)
	5:15PM	Meal
	6:00PM	Worship
	6:30-8:15PM	Confirmation
	6:30PM	Sanctuary Choir
	7:15PM	Youth Group
Thursday – 1		
Friday – 2		Pastor's Sabbath Day
Saturday – 3		
Sunday –4	8:00AM	Grace Lutheran Worship
	8:45AM	Sunday School
	9:30AM	Worship/Communion – Rescue at the Sea

Radio Broadcast Sponsor:
(Service time is 8:00 am on the radio 104.3 FM.)

Join us Wednesdays at 6 pm in the sanctuary for "The Psalms: Hope for Real People." We'll gather around the words of the Psalms and discover the joys, questions, struggles, and everyday moments of life, with our *Peace of the Prairie* liturgy.

ATTENTION: There are sign-up sheets in Centennial Hall to help in different ministries of the worship service. If you are interested in assisting with being coffee servers, greeters, computer assistant, assisting minister/lector, sound, Livestream, van driver or ushering, please sign on the sheets as to which ministries you are able to assist with. If you are currently serving, please sign up again so we know that you are still interested in serving. Thank You!

Bible Blessing for K, 3rd & 7th Graders will be on Sunday, October 4. Postcards have gone out to the families.