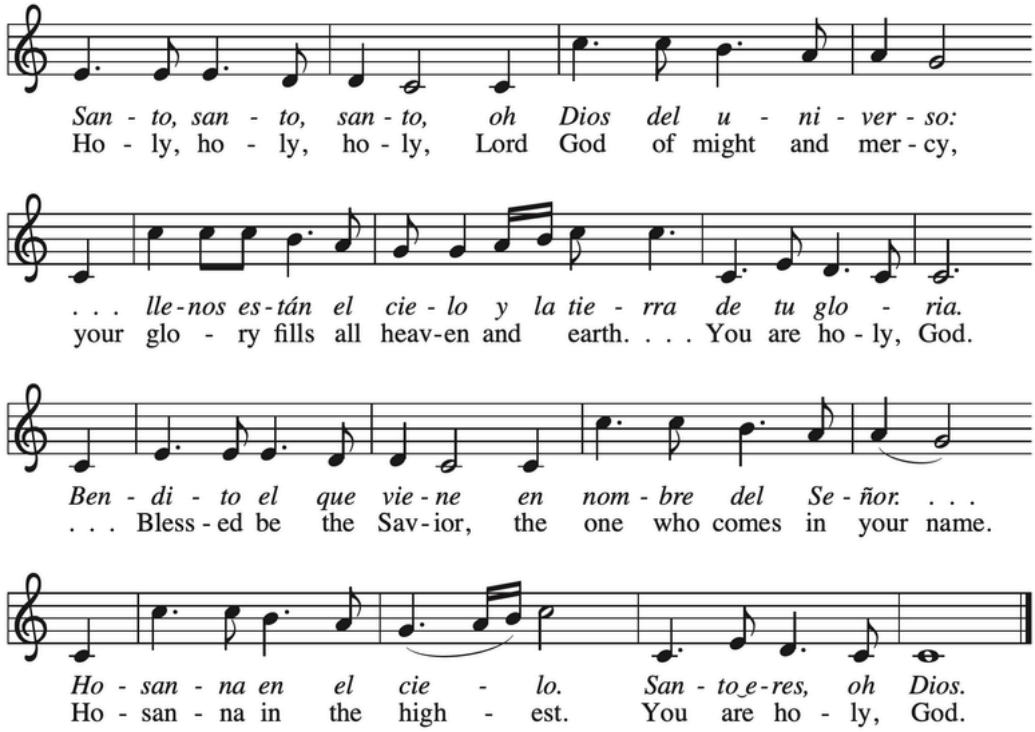
Tripolis
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2026

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP: “Holy, Holy, Holy” ACS 1089



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

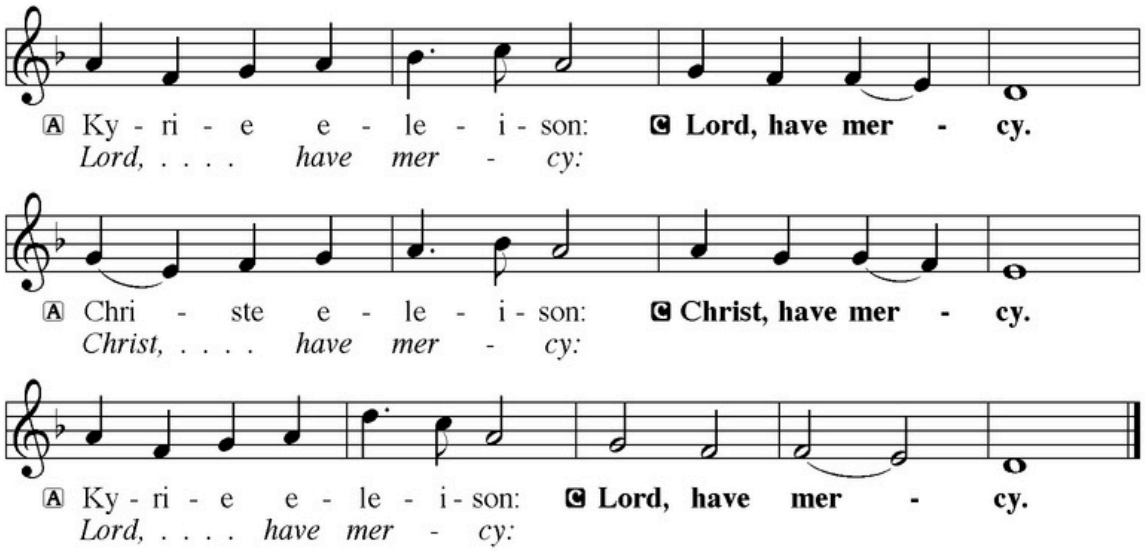
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
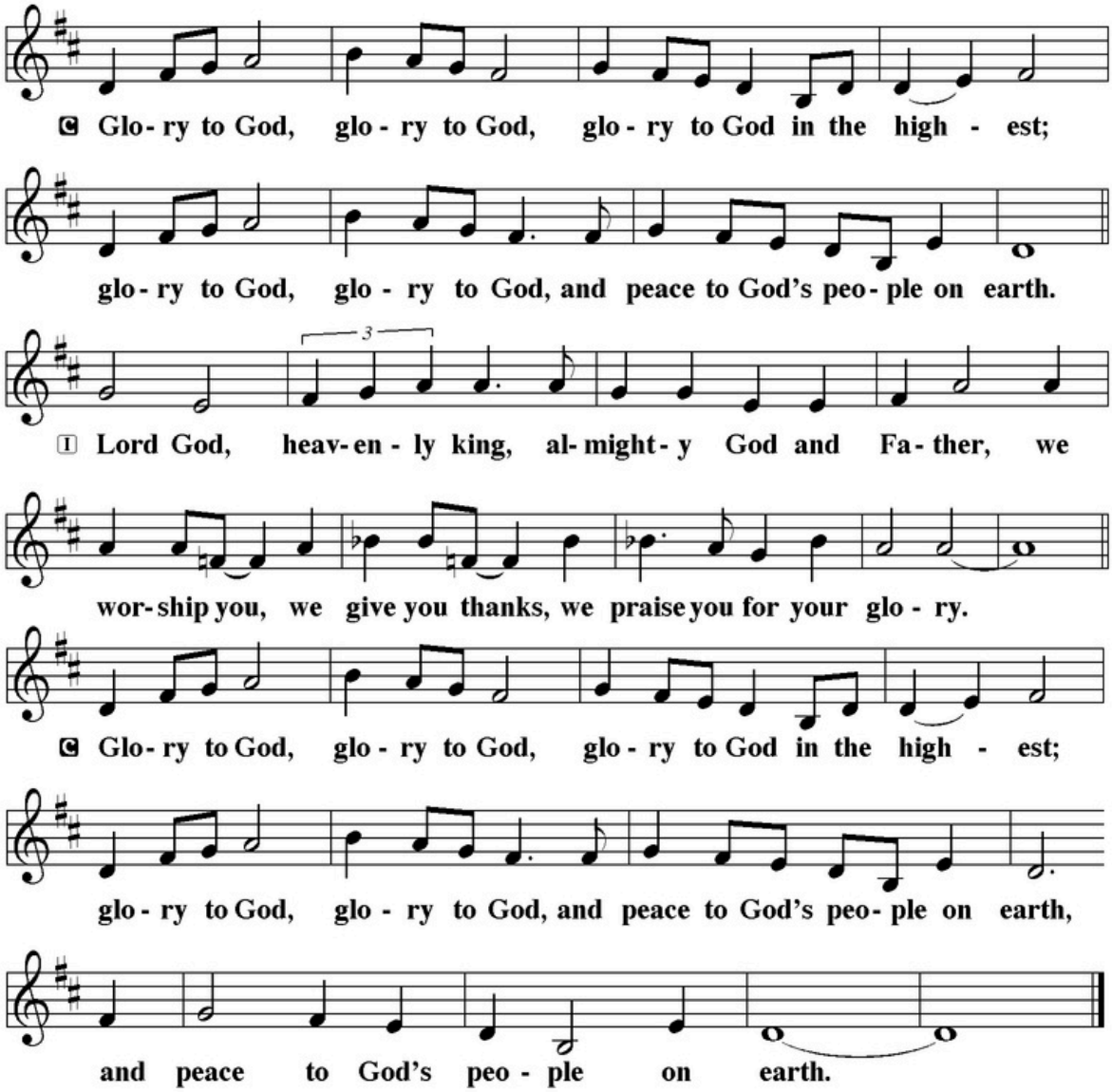
GATHERING HYMN: ACS 1024 “Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand” See insert.

GREETING: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

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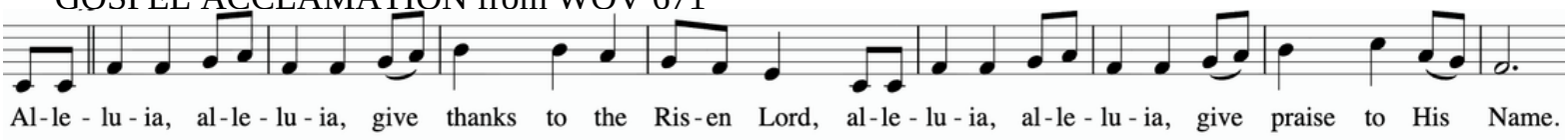


PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Gracious Father, we pray for your church. Fill it with all truth and peace, and instill in each of us a commitment to justice and righteousness. Guide us to guard the church's mission and integrity. Where it is in error, direct and reform it; where it is divided, reunite it. Help us to stand firmly on your Word. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

OUR SCRIPTURE IN SONG (PSALM 46): ELW 504 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Jeremiah 31:31-34
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION from WOV 671



The gospel according to John, the eighth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
John 8:31-36 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."
They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"
Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."
The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

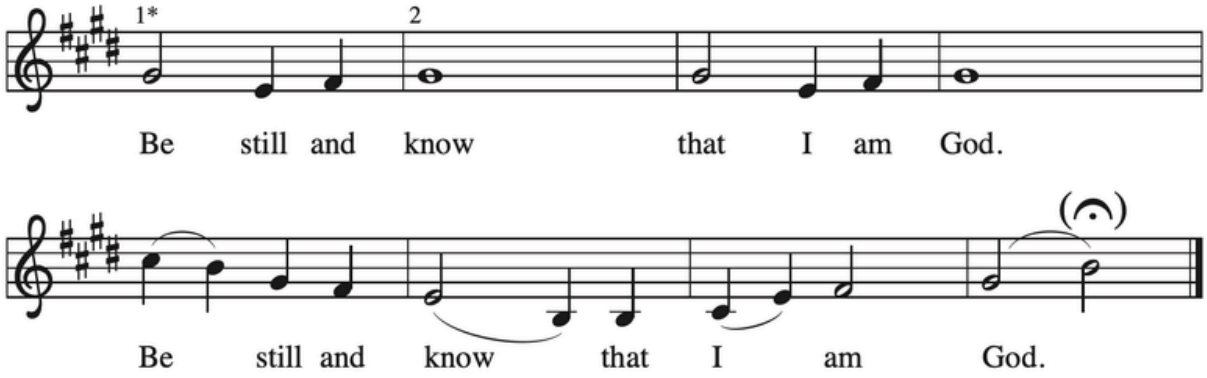
PRESENTATION AND BLESSING OF BIBLES

Leader: "Your word, O God, is a lamp for our feet and a light to our path." (Psalm 119)
Congregation: God's word in scripture shows us the way and helps us grow in faith.
Leader: "Your word is so near, on our lips and in our hearts" (Deuteronomy 30 & Romans 10)
Congregation: **God's word in scripture helps us share our faith with others.**
Leader: "For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword." (Hebrews 4)
Congregation: **God's word in scripture guides us toward truth and challenges us to action.**
Leader: Isaiah proclaims God's promise, "My word that goes out from my mouth shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it." (Isaiah 55)
Congregation: **God's word in scripture will work in and through us to bless and protect, guide and teach, enlighten and encourage. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 517 “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

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PRAYERS Petitions will conclude: “We pray to you, God, our refuge and strength.” Please respond:



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LORD’S PRAYER
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.
Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
forever and ever, Amen.

OFFERING SONG “Seek Ye First”

OFFERING PRAYER: **O God, maker of all things, through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them now for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
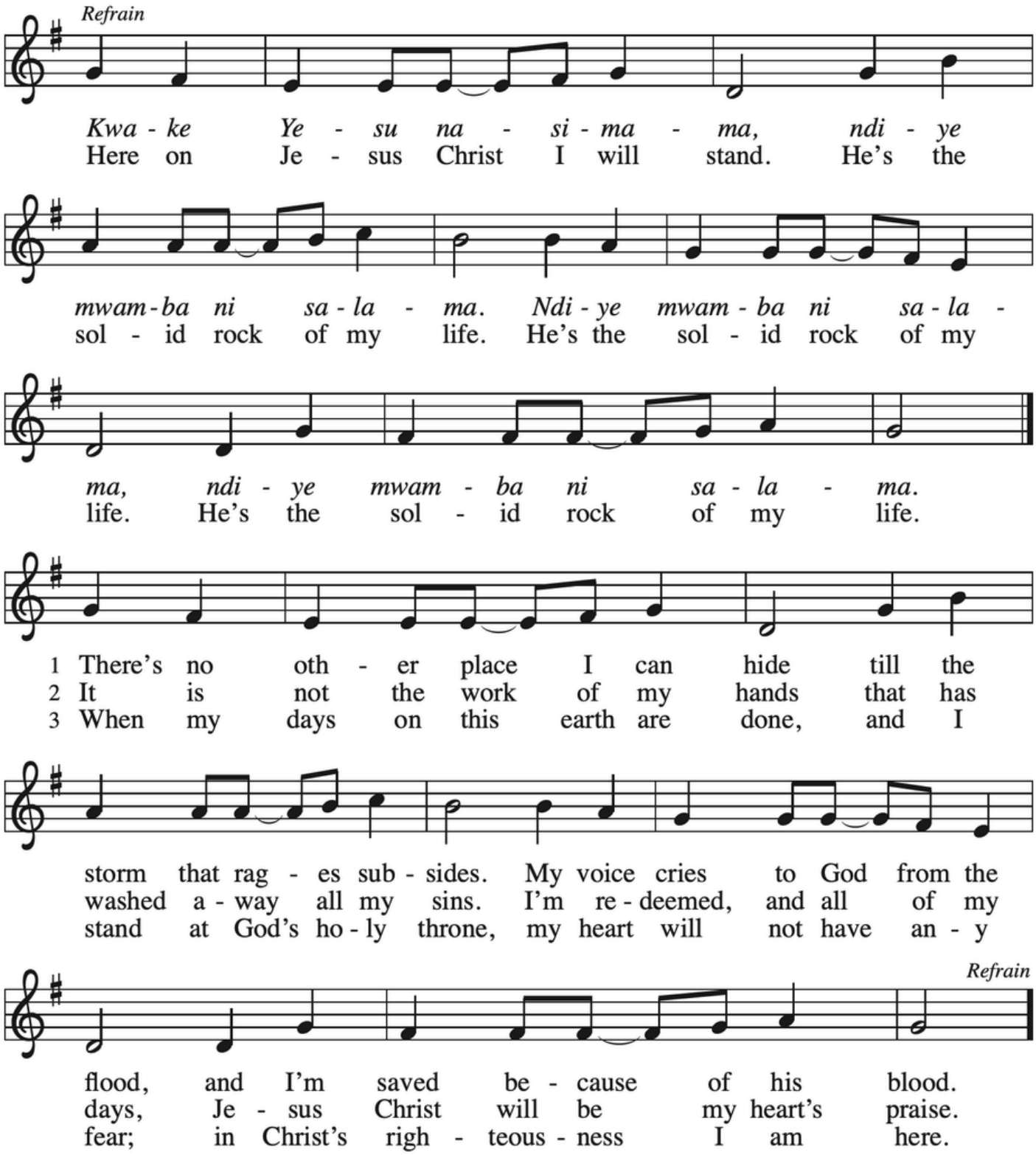
BLESSING: The God of glory, ☩ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever. **Amen**.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 654 “The Church’s One Foundation” verses 1, 2, 5

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. God is at work in and through you. **Thanks be to God.**

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Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at Tripolis

Tuesday: 9am Quilting
Next Sunday: All Saints' Sunday
9:45am Sunday School
11am Worship



All Saints' Sunday--November 1
We will recognize those who have been baptized, members, and our loved ones ones who have passed away in the past year. Please let Barb know if there is someone else you would like recognized on All Saints' Sunday, November 1. There will be a time of candlelighting to remember these and other loved ones.

Hobby Retreat

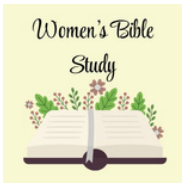
Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall at Tripolis or by contacting Cathy M for the following hobby retreat:

*November 13-14

Friday 8:30am until you choose to go home
Saturday 8:30am-5pm
Meals will be potluck with a group meal ordered in on Friday night
Water, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate provided

Worship Leaders Today

Pastor: Sherri Larson
Musician: Paula Grahn & Cathy Schueler
Lector: Pam Vruwink
Ushers: Ryan & Dawn Fostervold
Council Members on Duty: David McClain, Jeanette Jacobson
Altar Committee: Cheri Bosch, Janell Holien



Tripolis Women's Bible Study will meet November 5 at 2pm at Tripolis. Janell is leading and Linda is serving.





We are looking for volunteers to help with our annual LYO meal on Friday, November 20, at the Kandiyohi Civic Center.

The meal begins at 5:30 p.m., and Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m.

Please let Dawn or Jim know if you are available to help.
Thank you!