



# THE REPORTER

*In the days of His flesh,  
Jesus offered up prayers and supplications,  
With loud cries and tears,  
To Him who was able to save Him from death,  
And He was heard because of His reverence.  
(Hebrews 5:7)*

As we come into the month of November, our minds tend to gravitate towards Thanksgiving, especially as the harvest is coming out of the fields. We find ourselves thankful that God has provided for us through the farmers that He has blessed with the yields they have received.

Prayers of thanksgiving aren't the only prayers we pray. We pray in times of joy and times of sorrow. We pray whenever we need our heavenly Father's help, which is all the time (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Hebrews speaks of Jesus' prayers in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mark 14:32-42), right before Judas betrays Him (Mark 14:43-50).

Jesus cried out "to Him who was able to save Him from death." Not to be saved from death, but that God's will be done (Mark 14:36). God's will was never to rescue Jesus from death. God's will is to rescue **you** from death. That rescue comes through Jesus' "loud cries and tears," both in Gethsemane and on Golgotha. When Judas brings the soldiers to arrest Jesus, Jesus says, "Let the Scriptures be fulfilled" (Mark 14:49).

The Scriptures were fulfilled when Jesus died on the cross, offering His final cries, for the salvation of all who believe (Hebrews 5:9). This is the reverence Hebrews talks about. That Jesus made Himself to be nothing so that you might become everything through Him.

This is what we should be truly thankful for. Not just in the month of November but all year long. Our greatest prayers of thanksgiving come when we recognize and celebrate that Jesus took away all our sinfulness. He took away our death. Now, in Him, we may live forever.

This is how we give thanks. We remember everything that He has done for us. Everything that brings forth a bounty that is far more than we could ever imagine, in this life and the next (Mark 10:30).

In Christ,  
Rev. Doug Minton

### Visit Pastor and Family

There is a sign up to visit with Pastor and Family for the months of November - December. We are having such a wonderful time getting to know the members of OSLC! If those days don't work in your schedule, we have a few Friday or Saturdays that will work, just ask Pastor or Renee. This has been a great opportunity to sit and visit outside the Sunday morning worship and bible class and has helped increase the bonds with congregation members as we take these opening steps in our journey together as Pastor and congregation.

### Higher Things 2022: FOR YOU

Six letters. That's all you need. Six letters to explain the point of everything. Six letters to make crystal clear the entire Christian faith. What are those letters? FOR YOU! Higher Things is in Valparaiso, IN this year on July 26-29, 2022. Registration opens on November 1. All youth in grades 8-12 are invited to join us this year. We will have an informational meeting for those interested. Watch the bulletin.

### High School and Middle School Youth Group

OSLC Youth will once again be selling chili, hot dogs, hot cocoa, and cookies during the Milford Christmas Parade on Sunday, November 28. Keep an eye out for more information about how you can help!

### Backpack Blessings Information

During the school year, Backpack Blessings is ongoing. This is a completely free program to students of Milford Public Schools who qualify for free/reduced lunch. This program is operated solely on donations of money and food. Backpack Blessings began in 2017 and serves on average 40 kids per week. We send easy to prepare food to supplement breakfast, lunch and snacks for each day of the week. If you would like to help support this program, monetary donations can be given to Brenna Schroeder. Thank you!

### Midweek Matins

Matins continues every Thursday morning at 10am. This half-hour service is a wonderful chance to receive a boost from God's Word in the sanctuary. We are going through Jesus' Sermon on the Mount and have just finished the Beatitudes. This month we will hear about being salt and light in the world and how Jesus came to fulfill the Law. This is also a wonderful time to be in worship in the sanctuary for those who are worried about large gatherings. Communion is also available upon request after the service.

### Large Print Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available for those that need them. Please be kind to those members that NEED them and don't take a large print bulletin until you are certain those that need them have them. Several Sundays lately those members that need the large print haven't had them.

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### *Remember Those Unable to be with Us on Sunday Morning*

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### Amazon Smile

Do you shop on Amazon? Have you signed up for Amazon Smile? Now you have the option to support OSLC through Amazon Smile while you are shopping! You can easily sign up through the link on the front page of our website at [www.oursaviormilford.com](http://www.oursaviormilford.com). If you have the app, you can add Amazon Smile on there as well, just search Our Savior Milford. Any questions, ask Pastor.

### Scrip Orders - Due November 28

Do you go shopping, eat out, or go to the movies? Do you ever gift someone else with the opportunity to do those things? Most likely, all of us would answer “yes” to at least some of those questions. This is why everyone LOVES the Scrip Card program, available each month at OSLC! Order forms (located on the informational rack in the Narthex) and payment are due to the Church Office by **Sunday, November 28, 2021**. Gift Cards will arrive and be distributed that same week. Please consider supporting the youth (and future leaders of the congregation) in this simple way!

### Podcast of the Month!

For those who enjoy listening to good, Christ-centered programming online, we are starting a “Podcast of the Month” section of the newsletter. In this inaugural month, we put before you **Thy Strong Word** from KFUE. Thy Strong Word is a daily Bible study that takes a chapter per day to go through the Bible. Pastors from around the world are involved in this great study. I have been on it a few times as a guest. You can listen live at 11am M-F on [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or listen to it any time on your favorite podcast app - just search Thy Strong Word.

**Wrestling with Theology** has some wonderful programming lined up. Here are the highlights for the regular programming in October.

Week of	Confessional Corner	Digging Deeper
October 31	We Don't Need Satisfaction! (Ap XIIb 16-33)	Joyfully Rejoicing in God's Salvation (Psalms 62-64)
November 7	The One True Satisfaction (Ap XIIb 34-50)	Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (Psalms 65-67)
November 14	God Seeks Revenge? (Ap XIIb 51-81)	Our God Is an Awesome God (Psalm 68)
November 21	What Is a Sacrament? (Ap XIII-XIV)	Neck Deep in Sin (Psalm 69)
November 28	Do Traditions Help? (Ap XV 1-26)	Jesus Shall Reign Everywhere (Psalms 70-72)

### Moments of Meditation

Moments will be broadcast on WHPO about 8:00am each weekday morning. The text being focused on this month is Genesis 2 and 3.



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Worship Service 9:00 am  
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 10:30 am

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starting at 9:00 am**

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