October 4, 2026
Title: “Uncommon Compassion”
Text: Mark 7:24-30
Pastor Scott Joy

If you are a first time visitor, please stop by our Welcome Center in the foyer after the service.

Welcome to WORD OF Life BAPTIST CHURCH

Praise & Worship Service
October 4, 2026

Today at Word of Life

9:00 AM Sacred Prayer Gathering, Fellowship Hall

Life Lessons:
- 1st-3rd Grade, Room 222
- 4th-5th Grade, Room 224

10:00 AM Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
10:20 AM Pre-Service Prayer, Prayer Room
10:45 AM Worship Service Service, Sanctuary
Kidville, Upper Heritage Center

Looking Forward
Men’t Retreat by the Stream, this Saturday

This Week at Word of Life

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
- **9:00 AM** Women’s Prayer Group
- **6:00 PM** Trustees Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6
- **6:00 PM** AXIS Worship Practice
- **6:00 PM** Ladies Bible Study
- **6:00 PM** Men’s Basketball

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7
- **7:30 AM** Men’s Bible Study
- 8:30 **AM** MOMCO
- **5:50 PM** AXIS
- **6:00 PM** MOMCO
- **6:15 PM** KIDS L.I.F.E.
- **6:15 PM** Bible Study
- **7:55 PM** Worship Practice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8
- **6:00 AM** Men’s Basketball

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
- **10:00 AM** Men’s Retreat by the Stream

Our guest network: Word of Life Guest Password: wolbchurch
Worship Service is Streamed Live on YouTube

LIFE CHAIN

Since 1987, believers have gathered nationwide on the first Sunday of every October to prayerfully stand for life. On the first Sunday in October, **LIFE CHAIN** invites the churches in each city and town across North America to stand on a designated local sidewalk and pray for 90 minutes, while holding one of the provided pro-life messaged signs. This year join Alpena's Life Chain at **Bob's Muffler, 2277 US 23S, Alpena** on **Sunday, October 4th from 2:00 - 3:00 PM.**

Please contact **Dan Kirschner** or the church office for details.

Men's Retreat by the Stream

Calling all Men!
Join us for the annual retreat
by the stream in Harrisville
on October 10, 2026
at 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
There will be a time for food and fellowship
as we explore God's greatness
and HIS WORD!
Address: 4595 Shaw Rd.

Weekly Kids Program
LIFE Lessons: Sundays @ 9 AM
Kids LIFE: Wednesdays @ 6:15 PM

AXIS Schedule
10/21 Laser Tag

Please pray for Pastor Tim this morning as he helps a local church in need of pulpit supply.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, where we join with the Body across the country to say thanks to our pastors. We recognize their hard work and many hours investing in the congregation and community. Since the pastor's service often extends beyond the regular work week, this is also a time to express our deep appreciation to the unique sacrifice of their families. As a way of conveying our love and gratitude back to them, a mail box has been placed in the church foyer for your cards and notes during the month of October. These cards will then be presented to the pastors during the services at the beginning of November. We would encourage each of you to consider how you might relay your appreciation to our pastors and their families for all they do and let them know how much they are loved!

It is our joy this morning to celebrate the Lord's Supper (Communion). Here at Word of Life we practice an "open" communion. This means that anyone who has accepted the free gift of salvation through faith alone in Jesus Christ may participate with our church family in the taking of the bread and cup. Please examine your heart this morning and join us in celebration.
(Gluten free Communion wafers are available at the Welcome Center).

Prayer & Praises

NAB MISSIONARIES
Jake & Alison McGregor
Kingdom Community in Lodi, California

OUR SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES
David & Emily Cetola
TEAM Missionary, Forti, Italy

M Teegan & Emily Hopp
T "Bob" Robert Huston
W Steve & Cathleen Idalski
Th Theo & Lori Igielski
F Anthony & Jennifer Jasso

1. Those serving in our military: Joshua Bell, Kristian Bell, Logan DenBleyker, Joel DiMarzo, Rebekah DiMarzo, Daniel Etzel, Adria Feldpausch, Elaina Matuzak, Brandon Srebnik, and Mike Clark.
2. Lift up those with ongoing health concerns: Dennis Bodem, Scott Joy, Phil Kirschner, Jesse Paul, John Reames, Judy Taracks, and Cindy Troxell.
3. Lift up our local teachers, administrators and all other school employees, as well as our students and their parents.
4. Pray for healing, strength, and protection over the marriages and families at Word of Life. The enemy is constantly at work seeking to discourage and destroy these key foundations of God.

Due to the high volume of prayer requests we receive on a weekly basis we are not able to update this section with all of the requests we would like to. We receive requests from multiple sources and update our prayer email with the most current requests and revise the status as we receive them. If you would like to receive or send prayer requests please contact our church office to be added to the prayer email list or to send your request.

There are many unspoken needs in our congregation, including upcoming surgeries or those struggling with chronic illness. Please remember them in your prayers.

Rev. Scott A. Joy, Lead Pastor
Rev. Timothy Decker, Administrative Pastor
Rev. Stephen Bauman, Pastor of Youth Ministries
Non-Staff Elders: Dan Kirschner | Kevin Berg | Kevin Dore | Jim Makowske
Office Administrative Assistant: Sherry Zomerhuis
Youth Ministries Administrative Assistant: Melissa Roznowski
Custodian: Brian Shumaker

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 9/27/2026

We Came: 67 ABF/Sunday School
We Came: 297 Worship
We Gave: $8,105.41 Last Week's Offering
We Need: $11,504.53 Weekly Budget
We Gave: $399,072.99 Year-to-Date Offering
We Need: $448,676.67 Year-to-Date Budget

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Office Hours: 9:00 AM-4:30 PM
(Closed over the lunch hour and all day on Thursday)

Baptism Sunday: The third Sunday of each month is reserved for Baptism Sunday. If you are being called to be baptized in Christ or have any questions, please fill out a Communication card, contact the church office or sign up in the church foyer at the sign-up table.