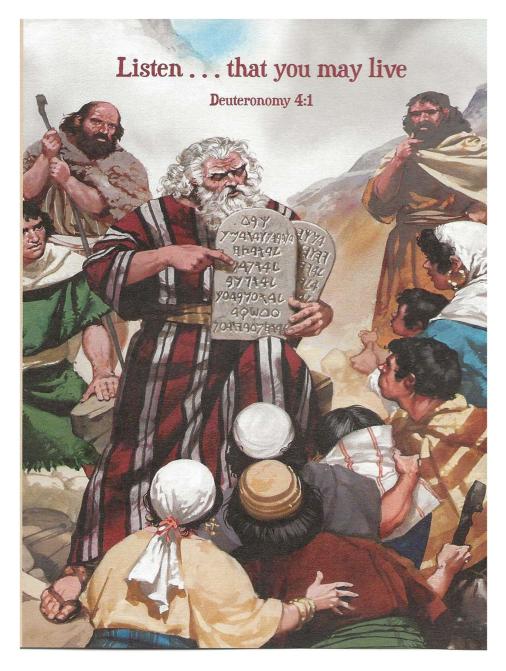
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I. Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation:

"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

LSB 594

God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ! He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price. Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!

2 Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me Since my Baptism did release me In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
3 Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ! Drop your ugly accusation,

I am not so soon enticed. Now that to the font I've traveled, All your might has come unraveled, And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!

4 Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes
Faith's assurance brightly flashes: Baptism has the strength divine To make life immortal mine. 5 There is nothing worth comparing To this lifelong comfort sure! Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure. Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising: I am baptized into Christ; I'm a child of paradise!

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 184

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord, C
 - who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, P C
 - and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

O almighty God, merciful Father, **P**

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

II. Service of the Word

Psalm 51:7, 10–12; antiphon: v. 2



Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,* and cleanse me | from my sin!

Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;* wash me, and I shall be whit- | er than snow.
Create in me a clean heart, | O God,* and renew a right spirit with- | in me.
Cast me not away from your | presence,* and take not your Holy Spirit | from me.
Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,* and uphold me with a willing | spirit.

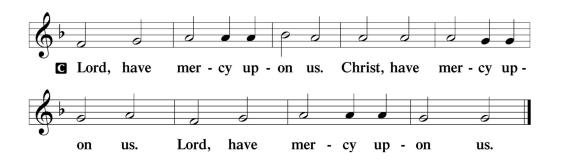
Introit

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,* and cleanse me | from my sin!

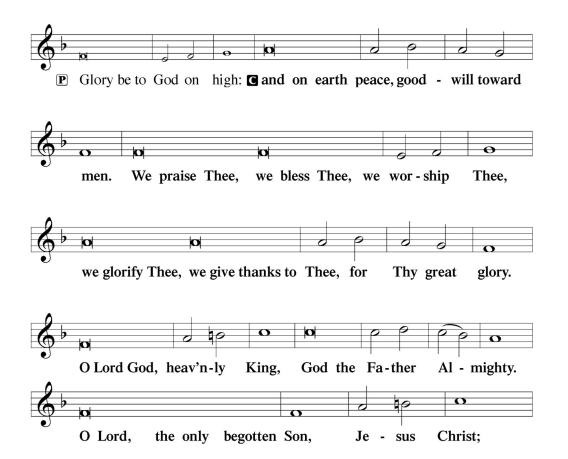
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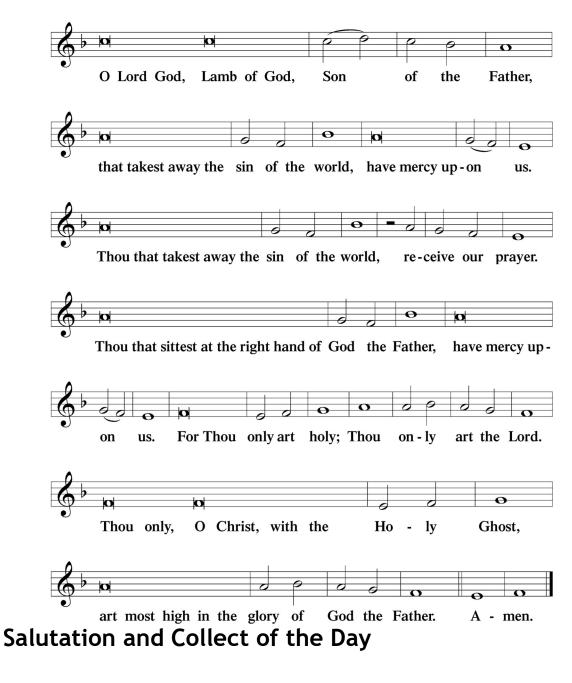
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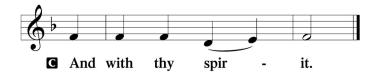
Gloria in Excelsis

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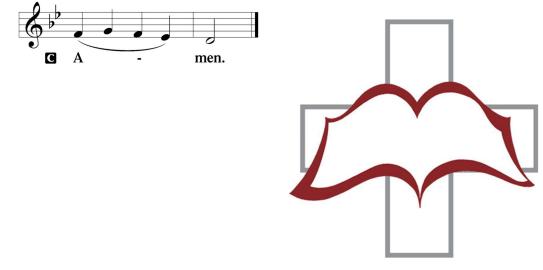


P The Lord be with you.



■ Let us pray... O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good

works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading *Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

Sit

(Moses' encouragement to the Israelites)

¹"Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. ..⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Gradual

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Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*for those who fear him lack | nothing!Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle

Ephesians 6:10–20

("Put on the whole armor of God.")

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am

an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- С

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Mark 7:14–23

(What comes out of a man is what makes him "unclean.")

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

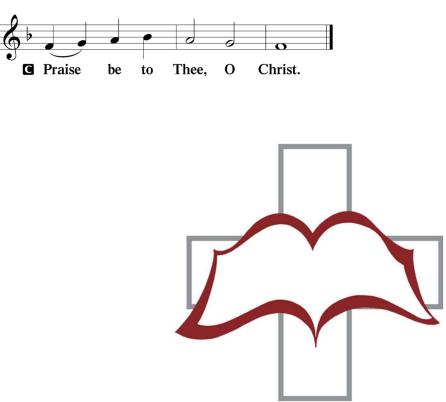


¹⁴[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding?

Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of

the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day:

"By Grace I'm Saved"

LSB 566, sts. 1, 3, 5, & 6

 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not.
 Why stagger at this word of promise? Has Scripture ever falsehood taught? No! Then this word must true remain: By grace you too will life obtain.

3 By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice. My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

Sermon

"Standing Firm in the Faith With the Right Armor" Ephesians 6:10-20

Votum

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

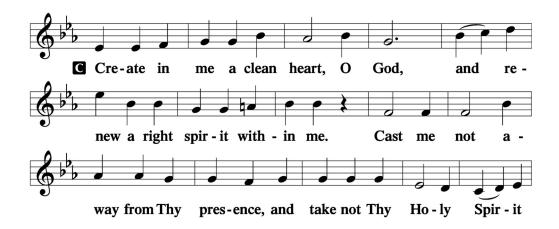






Offertory

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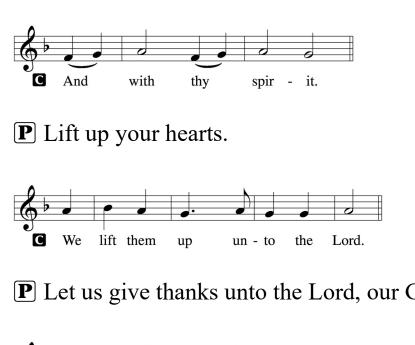


Prayer of the Church

III. Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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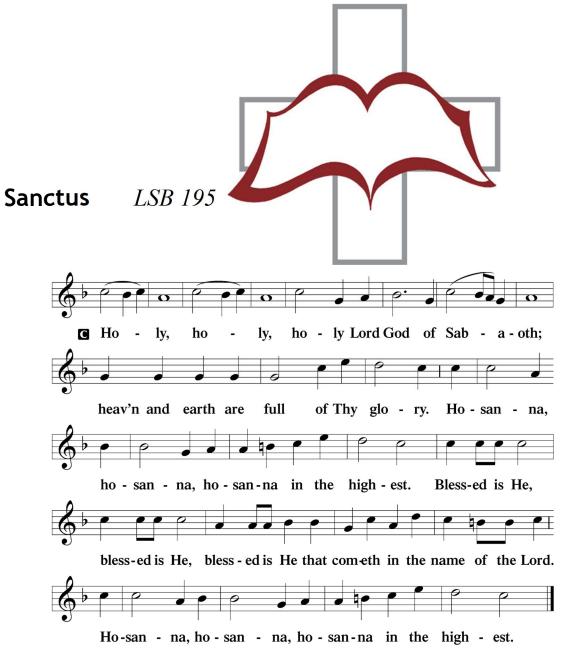
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface

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It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times P and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who through His suffering, death, and resurrection overcame the devil and his schemes that we might be saved through His victory won for us. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

 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;



The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

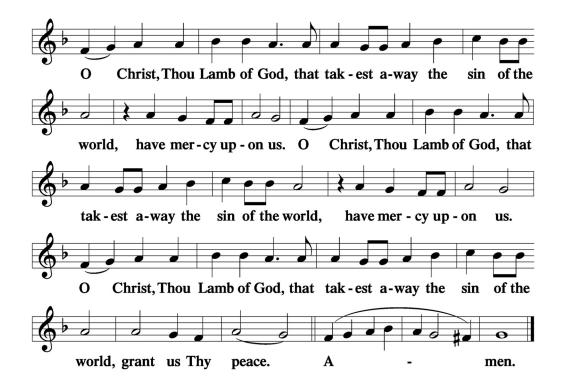
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LSB 197





Agnus Dei



Sit **Distribution**

Distribution Hymns:

"In Adam We Have All Been One"

LSB 569

- *1* In Adam we have all been one, One huge rebellious man; We all have fled that evening voice That sought us as we ran.
- We fled Thee, and in losing Thee We lost our brother too;
 Each singly sought and claimed his own; Each man his brother slew.

- But Thy strong love, it sought us still And sent Thine only Son That we might hear His Shepherd's voice And, hearing Him, be one.
- 4 O Thou who, when we loved Thee not, Didst love and save us all,
 Thou great Good Shepherd of mankind, O hear us when we call.
- 5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth; Thou Son, O set us free
 From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways, To make us one in Thee.
- △ 6 Then shall our song united rise To Thine eternal throne, Where with the Father evermore And Spirit Thou art one.

"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" LSB 707

- Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His statutes still!
 Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!
- 2 Order my footsteps by Thy Word And make my heart sincere; Let sin have no dominion, Lord, But keep my conscience clear.
- 3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray, A stricter watch to keep;And should I e'er forget Thy way, Restore Thy wand'ring sheep.

 4 Make me to walk in Thy commands— 'Tis a delightful road— Nor let my head or heart or hands Offend against my God.

Stand

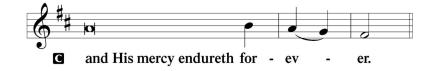
Nunc Dimittis

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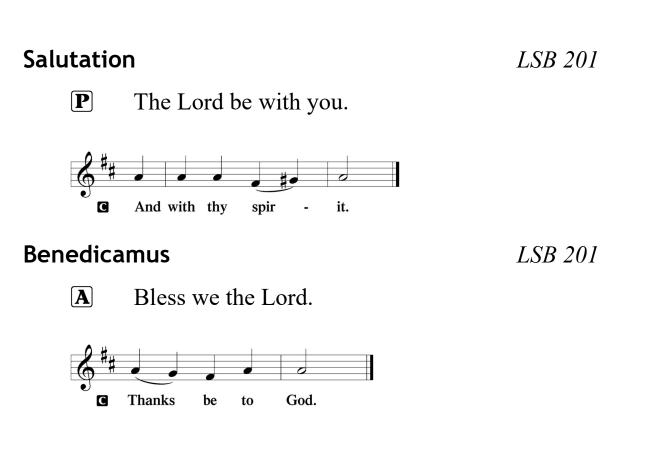
O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





Benediction

LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

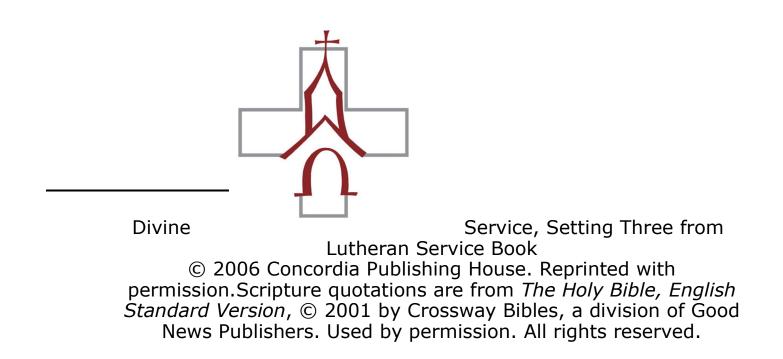
LSB 924

 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
 O refresh us; O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.

3 Savior, when Your love shall call us From our struggling pilgrim way, Let not fear of death appall us, Glad Your summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever Reign with You in endless day.

THANK YOU TO THOSE ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE

Preacher: Rev. Gary A. Wright Organist: Julia Koester Elders: 10:45 am: Bill Serre; Scott Paller Videographers: Rick Serre, Max Serre, Dale Farmer



THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES...GOD WILLING

SUNDAY, SEPT 1	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School/BC
Pantry Sunday	10:45 A.M.	Divine Service, HC
MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED		
WEDNESDAY	9:00 A.M.	Pastor's BC
	10:15 A.M.	Fitness Class
	10:35 A.M.	Fellowship Hour
	4:30 P.M.	Bells
SUNDAY, SEPT 8	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School/BC
	10:45 A.M.	Divine Service, HC

Per HIPPA privacy regulations, if you put someone on the prayer list, please make sure you have first secured their permission to do so.

<u>Prayer List</u>

Prayer list emphasis for today: Members in facilities. *Serious health conditions:* Bethany Albrecht, Fred Poe

<u>Birthdays!</u> 9/1 Cathy Pastorek; 9/3 Norma Koontz, Evelyn Van Hemert; 9/4 Scott Paller, James Kubatzke

Please remember to complete one of the attendance cards in the pew rack. This information is used for many planning purposes.

Voter's at the December 2023 Assembly, entrusted the call committee to condense the call list and present four candidates to the Assembly.

The information needed for an informed decision may be evaluated in the church office during business hours. Opportunities to evaluate the information outside of office hours will be by appointment. Six identical folders are prepared and ready for viewing. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

The Voters established the Call Committee at the December 2023 meeting.

Here are the members for those that were not able to attend. Michelle Bowser, Ben Brondos, Don Freeman, Marcia Green, Alan Schmidt, Lew Steinbrecher, Tom Stuenkel, Jan Tutskey and Rev Nerud, Circuit Visitor.

Quarterly Voter's Assembly will be at 2:30 pm, Sunday, September 22nd

The flowers on the altar are provided by Wes and Ginny Greenfield in celebration of their Wedding Anniversary!

Our Pantry Sunday recipient for the month of September is YouthHope (Christian Friendliness). Please keep them in your thoughts while you're out and about!

Holy Cross will be serving a spaghetti dinner at Rock Island Christian Care on Monday, September 9th.

(This dinner is provided the second Monday of every month). Monetary donations are always welcome and are used to purchase spaghetti ingredients, salad and garlic bread. A sign-up sheet is located in the entryway for those interested in providing desserts or fresh fruit. These clearly marked items can be left in the Holy Cross kitchen on Monday or the Sunday preceding. Space is limited in the mission kitchen, so those signing up to serve must be limited to four. Jerry Tutskey and the Mutual Encouragement Committee thank you in advance for your kind participation.

Just a reminder... There will be <u>NO</u> Peace Quilters in September and October.

FYI... Bell practice **WILL** resume this month. New players are always welcome! Thanks!

Save the Date! Welcome Luncheon for Rev. Wright and Members of Zion Lutheran Church. On Sunday, September 15th at noon, the Evangelism Committee will be hosting a welcome potluck luncheon for Rev. Wright and members of Zion Lutheran Church. All are invited! If you will be attending, please sign the RSVP sheet that is posted in the church's entryway so the committee will know how many to plan for. Chicken from Mulkey's Restaurant will be served. There will also be a sign-up sheet available to bring a salad or dessert. For more information, contact Jeff Welvaert, chair or any member of the Evangelism Committee; Gerri Stolze, Martha Kroll, Deb Lindley, Melissa Thorngren, Marcia Green.

LWML Garage Sale will be October 3rd & 4th. It's time to start cleaning out your closets and set aside items for our next Garage Sale in October. Items will be accepted beginning Sunday, September 29th . For more information, you can contact: Marcia Green (309) 236-2923 or Jan Tutskey (309) 781-1624.

When going up to communion crossing your arms over your chest to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion will be helpful to Pastor Wright as he is still getting to know our congregation. Thank you!

Exercise Class/Fellowship Hour: New Time! Exercise class now begins at 10:15 a.m. immediately following the 9-10 a.m. Bible Class led by Pastor Wright. Come join in for the 20-minute chair exercises followed by Coffee Hour and Fellowship with friends. Coffee, tea, and treats are served. Everyone is invited!

The Rock Island Zone fall rally is Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Milan, IL. beginning at 8:30 am. The theme is "Seek the Lord". Registration is \$15 and is due by September 10th. There are registration forms in the entryway. Any questions, call Mary Pement at 309-797-6367.

Greetings, We will be electing a new Zone Secretary/Treasurer at the LWML RI Zone Fall Rally on September 17th at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Milan. If you are interested in serving the Lord in this way, please call or text Janet Mau 563-209-0723.

Holy Cross's support of Rev. Mahlburg's Sri Lanka mission work is going very well. Thus far \$3,510 of the \$4000 pledged has been collected. This goal too will soon be met. Thank – you

The Mission of the LCMS Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund (CID-CEF) is to aid The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations, schools, and agencies of the LCMS Central Illinois District (CID) in building and expanding their facilities and ministries for the growth of God's Kingdom.

The current Dollar for Missions project is for replacement of furnaces at Immanuel Lutheran Student Center, Macomb, which is expected to cost some \$25,000. The Student Center was built 55 years ago. Equipment replacement like this is important so the Gospel can continue to be proclaimed and students can go on being reached there for years into the future. **PROVIDING ARTILLERY SUPPORT FOR THE CHURCH MILITANT ON THE FRONT LINES...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Ethics of IVF, A Christian Approach to Death & Burial, The Movie "Alien: Romulus," "A Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod" and more.

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Continue studying Psalm 119 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), finish studying Amos on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and Political Order in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (9/7 at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

Prayer List

Members in Facilities: Cedarhurst, Moline-Susan Wyant; Park Vista-Ron & Caroline Luecke; Woodridge Supportive Living, Galesburg-Dick Ristau; Illini Restorative Care- Henry Setton; Friendship Manor-Dick Hochstetler, Phyllis Thorngren; Mercer Manor, Aledo-Bob Koehler; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Moline- Jan Phillips.

Serving in the Military: Alexa Ellis (daughter of Tera Elliott, granddaughter of Mike and Cheryl McLaughlin), Logan Noard (son of Kyle and Marilyn Noard), Stephen Waugaman (grandson of Donna Knudtson), Cameron Moore (grandson of Lew & Maria Steinbrecher), Matthew Glider (grandson of Doris Glider), Andrew Tolley (son of Carole Tolley), David Revel (son of Craig & Laurie Revel), Jeffrey Teuscher (nephew of Willie Swain), Austin Cox (grandson-in-law of Sieg Paulsen), Matthew Patterson (son-in-law of Mike Waters), Leith Masri, (grandson of Marian Jones), Jakob Ryckeghem (grandson of Connie McKean) Brett Kramer (grandson of Terry Kramer).

Members of the congregation receiving treatment for cancer: Pastor Murdock, Kathrine Hopkins.

Friends of the congregation receiving treatment for Cancer: Gail Stuenkel, Lisa Crawford, Joanne Lyons, Dave Patterson, Harold Foster, Judy Knudsen,

Peggy Arkland (friend of the McLaughlin's),

Kim Trask (sister of Robbie Garrison).

Serious Health Concerns: Sandy Lohse, Bob Trueblood (brother of Joyce Spidle), Tony Loritz, friend of Jennifer Swanburg, Susan Raber, Dennis Rusk, Richard Geisler, Heidi Sias, Maureen DeLassus, Kelly Teuscher, Kenny Lackey, Gwen Shrake, Pam and Bill, friends of Gwen Shrake, Monroe 'Chip' Kemerling (cousin of Don Freeman).

Recovering/Ongoing Health Concerns: Alfred Karsten,

Lucy Jahns, Penny Dawson, Donald Dawson, Scarlet Durbin, Phyllis Murdock, Sherri Lohse, David Kramer, Beryl Edwards, Helen White, Gary Johnson, Fred Poe, Carol Ferrell, Susan Jamieson, Joshua Duburg, Sieg Paulsen, Cindy Davenport.