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The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

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Divine Service, Setting IV

✠ Welcome in the name of Jesus! ✠

Today we observe the Tenth Sunday after Trinity. On this day, we consider the sadness God feels over the destruction of the ungodly, and His desire that all would be saved. Truly, destruction and eternal wrath are coming for all who live in sin and unbelief. However, this grieves God's heart and His desire is that all would be saved through faith. Therefore, whenever we fall we return in repentance, confident that God will forgive us in Christ, and we also reach out to this world with zeal in the hope that others would likewise be saved.

If you are a VISITOR here, we'd like to offer you our warmest welcome! We pray that your experience among us is blessed, and that you depart filled with God's peace and life.

Also, toward the end of our service today we will be celebrating Holy Communion, in which we will eat and drink Jesus' body and blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). Therefore, we ask that you would please see the statement titled "On the Sacrament of Holy Communion," printed below, which describes our beliefs and practices regarding this sacred gift.

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter,
as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth,
I humbly pray that You would open my heart
to the preaching of Your Word so that I may
repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my
only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness.
Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

ON THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION: We believe that when we receive Holy Communion together, we are publicly declaring both our unity in Christ and our agreement in doctrine (1 Cor. 10:16-17; 1 Cor. 1:10). We also believe that if we receive this sacrament in unbelief, we risk God's judgment (1 Cor. 11:27-30).

Therefore, communion at this altar is reserved for those who believe and confess the teachings of our church body, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Those who have not been formally instructed in our teachings should wait to commune until completing a course of instruction with us.

If you are a VISITOR and would like to commune with us today, please speak with the pastor before the service. If you will not be communing, you are welcome to kneel at the altar with your arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing, or you may simply remain in your pew.

Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Stand

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

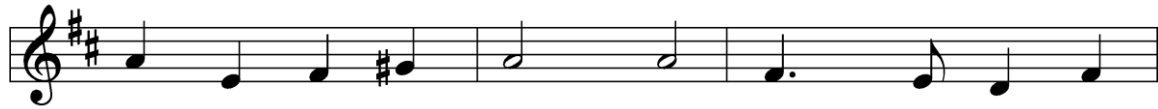
C Amen.

Stand

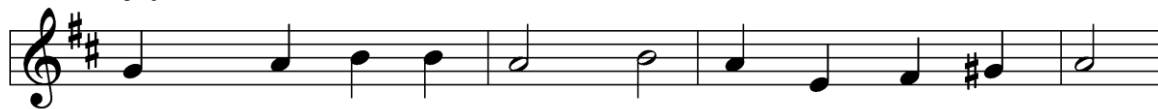
Hymn of Invocation: 674 Jerusalem, O City Far and High



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, O cit - y fair and high, Your
2 O hap - py day, O yet far hap - pier hour, When
3 The pa - tri - archs' and proph - ets' no - ble train, With
4 Un - num - bered choirs be - fore the shin - ing throne Their



tow'rs I yearn to see; My long - ing heart to
will you come at last, When by my gra - cious
all Christ's fol - l'wers true, Who washed their robes and
joy - ful an - thems raise Till heav - en's arch - es



you would glad - ly fly, It will not stay with me.
Fa - ther's love and pow'r I see that por - tal vast?
cleansed sin's guilt - y stain, Sing prais - es ev - er new!
ech - o with the tone Of that great hymn of praise.



E - li - jah's char - iot take me A - bove the low - er skies, To
From heav - en's shin - ing re - gions To greet me glad - ly come Your
I see them shine for - ev - er, Re - splen - dent as the sun, In
And all its host re - joic - es, And all its bless - ed throng U -



heav - en's bliss a - wake me, Re - leased from earth - ly ties.
bless - ed an - gel le - gions To bid me wel - come home.
light di - min - ished nev - er, Their glo - rious free - dom won.
nite their myr - iad voic - es In one e - ter - nal song.

Text: Johann Matthäus Meyfart, 1590–1642; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Christlich Neu-vermehrt . . . Gesangbuch, 1663, Erfurt

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Service of the Word

Introit (*spoken responsively*)

Psalm 55:1, 4–5, 16; antiphon: vv. 16a, 17b, 18a, 22a

- P** I call to God, and he hears my voice;
he redeems my soul in safety.
- C** **Cast your burden on the LORD,
and he will sustain you.**
- P** Give ear to my prayer, O God,
and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!
- C** **My heart is in anguish within me;
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.**
- P** Fear and trembling come upon me,
and horror overwhelms me.
- C** **But I call to God,
and the LORD will save me.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

- P** I call to God, and he hears my voice;
he redeems my soul in safety.
- C** **Cast your burden on the LORD,
and he will sustain you.**

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You declare Your almighty power above all in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant us such a measure of Your grace that we may obtain Your gracious promises and be made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

⁴“You shall say to them, Thus says the LORD:

When men fall, do they not rise again? If one turns away, does he not return?

⁵Why then has this people turned away in perpetual backsliding?

They hold fast to deceit; they refuse to return.

⁶I have paid attention and listened, but they have not spoken rightly;

no man relents of his evil, saying, ‘What have I done?’

Everyone turns to his own course, like a horse plunging headlong into battle.

⁷Even the stork in the heavens knows her times, and the turtledove, swallow, and crane keep the time of their coming, but my people know not the just decrees of the LORD.

⁸“How can you say, ‘We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us’?

But behold, the lying pen of the scribes has made it into a lie.

⁹The wise men shall be put to shame; they shall be dismayed and taken;

behold, they have rejected the word of the LORD, so what wisdom is in them?

¹⁰Therefore I will give their wives to others and their fields to conquerors,

because from the least to the greatest everyone is greedy for unjust gain;

from prophet to priest, everyone deals falsely.

¹¹They have healed the wound of my people lightly, saying, ‘Peace, peace,’

when there is no peace. ¹²Were they ashamed when they committed abomination? No, they

were not at all ashamed; they did not know how to blush. Therefore they shall fall among

the fallen; when I punish them, they shall be overthrown, says the LORD”.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual (*spoken responsively*)

Psalm 17:8, 2

P Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings.

C From your presence let my vindication come!
Let your eyes behold the right!

Epistle

Romans 9:30—10:4

³⁰What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. ³²Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, ³³as it is written, “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

¹Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. ²I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. ³For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their


own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. ⁴For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

P This is the Word of the Lord.


C Thanks be to God.

Stand


Alleluia and Verse




C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:41–48

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴¹When [Jesus] drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”

⁴⁵And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶saying to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a den of robbers.”

⁴⁷And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**☩ 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: 644 The Church's One Foundation



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P In thanksgiving for Christ, in whom we know the things that make for peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the Church on earth, that filled by the Holy Spirit, we would not lie about our sin and defile God's temple, but follow His ways by caring for the sojourner, the fatherless and the widow; defending the blood of the innocent; and turning away from all other gods, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all who hear the Word of God, that they would be turned away from the lies of sinful men and brought back to His truth and to everlasting peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our nation, its government and those given authority to break and hinder the plans of the wicked and encourage whatever is righteous and good, that through them God would bring about His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the afflicted in body and soul and for those who experience any lack, [*especially* _____,] that God would restore them and keep us all in the ark of His Church until His final day of visitation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In thanksgiving for those things that make for peace: the cross of God's Son, His resurrection from the dead, His blessed Word of forgiveness, the washing in His holy name, and the feast of our Savior's body and blood, that we may be God's people and dwell with Him forever, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Almighty and everlasting God, because You love to show mercy, hear the prayers we offer for Your ancient people, that acknowledging Jesus Christ, the light of truth, they may be delivered from darkness; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Offering

During the Offering, we ask that you please sign a black attendance book located in your pew.

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of

His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C 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;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29



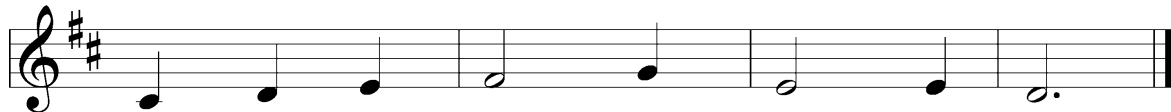
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

Visitors – Please see the note on the inside front cover of this service folder regarding our Holy Communion policy.

Distribution Hymn: 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

Text: Latin, 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois

Text and tune: Public domain

Distribution Hymn: 700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88

Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-87

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P 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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: 427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872 Tune: Ithamar Conkey, 1815–67
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THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. 8/04 Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Pastor Terry Nelson, *Emeritus*

- **Divine Service 9:30 a.m.**
- **Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall**

Tues. 8/06 Elder's Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Thurs. 8/08 Quilting Bee 10:00 a.m., Youth Room

Sun. 8/11 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Pastor Mark Arendell, *Emeritus*

- **Divine Service 9:30 a.m.**
- **Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall**

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – All are invited to attend **this morning's** Adult Bible Class with Pastor starting at **10:45 a.m.** in the basement Fellowship Hall.

QUILTING BEE ON THURSDAYS –Anyone who would like to learn how to quilt, (or even if you already know how to quilt) are welcome to join our Quilting Bee group that meets each Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs senior youth room. The quilters work pretty much year 'round to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief (LWR), and then LWR distributes the quilts to needy individuals worldwide. Many hands make for light work, so if you'd like to help, just show up on any Thursday!

TOILETRY/HYGIENE DONATIONS FOR THE OPEN DOOR OUTREACH CENTER – We continue to receive hygiene & toiletry products year around for the Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford. There are two bins located on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs where you can place product donations. The Open Door is a non-profit organization that assists needy families in the Lakes Area. They are ALWAYS in need of toiletry and hygiene items, so **if you can provide any of these throughout the year, it would be appreciated.**

WE CONTINUE TO COLLECT used postage stamps for Wycliffe Bible Translation Ministries, and used eyeglasses for MOST Ministries in the two plastic bins on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs. Wycliffe sells the stamps to stamp collectors and then uses the proceeds to fund Bible translation projects throughout the world. MOST Ministries repairs/refurbishes used eyeglasses and distributes them via eyeglass clinics to the needy around the world. If you donate postage stamps, please be sure to leave ¼" of the envelope paper around the stamp.

IF YOU SHOP AT A KROGER STORE, please consider participating in their Community Rewards program and **link your shopper's bonus card to St. Mark's** so that our congregation will receive free cash each quarter! There is no cost to you! Kroger will send a percentage of what you spend in their store(s) to our congregation as a way of supporting the community. If interested, please click on this URL below to see how you can link your Shopper's Bonus Card to our congregation: <https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>. In order to locate St. Mark's Lutheran Church, search for business # 82449. Thanks so much!

THE FATHER'S HANDS FOOD PANTRY AND CLOTHING CLOSET here at St. Paul's Community Lutheran Church has been very busy this spring. We served over 300 families in the pantry alone since January. This has led to a depletion of our supplies. We are in urgent need for the following items:

Powdered milk - 1qt envelopes or boxes
Plain pasta - macaroni
Spaghetti Noodles
Spaghetti Sauce
Non-starchy canned vegetables
Peas, Corn or mixed vegetables
Soups
Rice
Baked beans
Protein bars
Instant Potatoes
Canned Tuna or Chicken
Toilet paper, Tooth Paste, Hand sanitizer,
Large bars of soap and diapers (size 5)

For Larger families we need:

Family sized shampoo & conditioner
Large cans of baked beans
Large can of fruit
large can of vegetables
Large Rice, dried potatoes or spaghetti
noodles
large cans of chicken or meat that will serve
5 or more.
Laundry detergent
Dishwashing soap
Dried soup that serve 8 or more.

We are open for drop off on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10-4:30 and Wednesdays from Noon - 5pm. We greatly appreciate any and all donations. Address:
1133 Joslyn Ave, Pontiac, MI 48340

LUTHERAN SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES (LSEM) is having **their 19th Annual Golf Outing on Monday, September 16th, 2024** and you're invited! Play a round of golf and raise funds for children who have learning needs in Christian schools here in SW Michigan and across the country. Golf, cart, breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included in your ticket price. There will be plenty of fun games to play as we fundraise for these kids. Register your team today or sponsor the event. Together we can help these children grow in learning and love of God. [https://2024 LSEM Golf Outing – LSEM \(luthsped.org\)](https://2024LSEM.org)



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Nancy Salo & Ellen Rentola
Rob Wheeler
Matt Maier

SERVING THE LORD WITH GLADNESS NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 11TH

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