

**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Full Service Bulletin*  
Pastor Erik Sorenson



**September 4, 2022**

**MEMBERS AND GUESTS:**

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We will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service this morning.

If you are partaking of the Lord's Supper, please read and fill out one of the registration cards on the back of the pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher.

Communion Statement - The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are kindly asked first to speak with the pastor. In addition to this being our practice, we do not want our visitors to violate their own conscience or the public confession of faith that is made through their home Church membership. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing from the pastor. We thank you for respecting our practice. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Cor. 11:17–34.

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## Confession and Absolution

### 707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

*Hymn of Invocation*



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat-utes still!
- 2 Or - der my foot-steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin-cere;
- 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict-er watch to keep;
- 4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!  
Let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear.  
And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re-store Thy wan-d'ring sheep.  
Nor let my head or heart or hands Of-fend a-gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

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## Invocation

*LSB 203*

**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.

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

**☩** 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.

**☩ Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 119:28–32; antiphon: v. 27*

Make me understand the way of your precepts,  
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

**My soul melts away for sorrow;  
strengthen me according to your word!**

Put false ways far from me  
and graciously teach me your law!

**I have chosen the way of faithfulness;  
I set your just decrees before me.**

I cling to your testimonies, O LORD;  
let me not be put to shame!

**I will run in the way of your commandments  
when you enlarge my heart!**

**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.**

Make me understand the way of your precepts,  
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

## Kyrie

LSB 204



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

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



**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-shipped 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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

*Deuteronomy 30:15–20 (p. 172, p. 219 LP)*

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

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

*Philemon 1–21 (p. 1000, p. 1273 LP)*

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 205*



## Holy Gospel

*Luke 14:25–35 (p. 874, p. 1111 LP)*

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

# Apostles' Creed

LSB 207

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  $\text{✝}$  everlasting. Amen.

## 853 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

*Hymn of the Day*

1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord,  
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find  
3 We mar - vel how Your saints be - come  
4 In what You give us, Lord, to do,

When once we heed Your call: To live ac - cord - ing  
Your yoke is hard to bear; If world - ly pres - sures  
In hin - dranc - es more sure; Whose joy - ful vir - tues  
To - geth - er or a - lone, In old rou - tines or

to Your Word And dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,  
fray the mind, And love it - self can - not un - wind  
put to shame The cas - ual way we wear Your name  
ven - tures new, May we not cease to look to You,

That You are Lord of all And will not let us fall.  
Its tan - gled skein of care: Our in - ward life re - pair.  
And by our faults ob - scure Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.  
The cross You hung up - on— All You en - deav - ored done.

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## Sermon

*Being a Christian*

# Offering

## Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

LSB 208

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

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

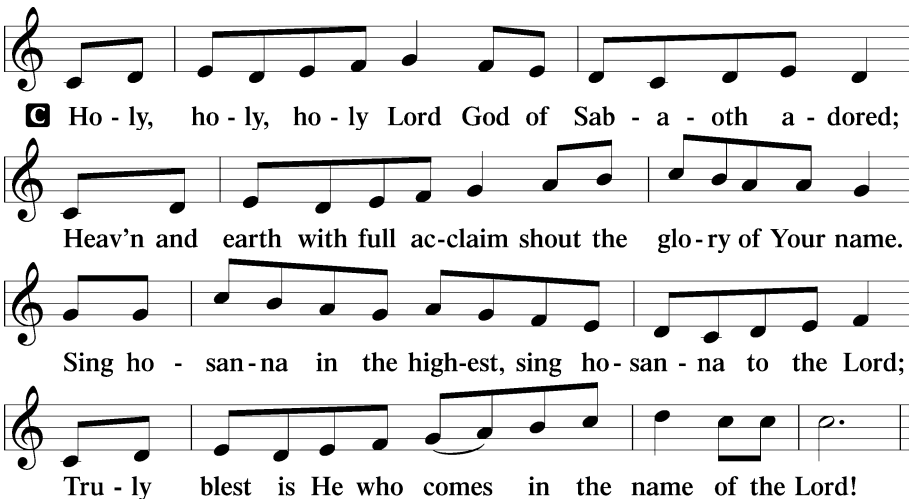
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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

LSB 208



**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

*LSB 209*

- 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

*LSB 209*

- 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

*LSB 209*

- 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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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

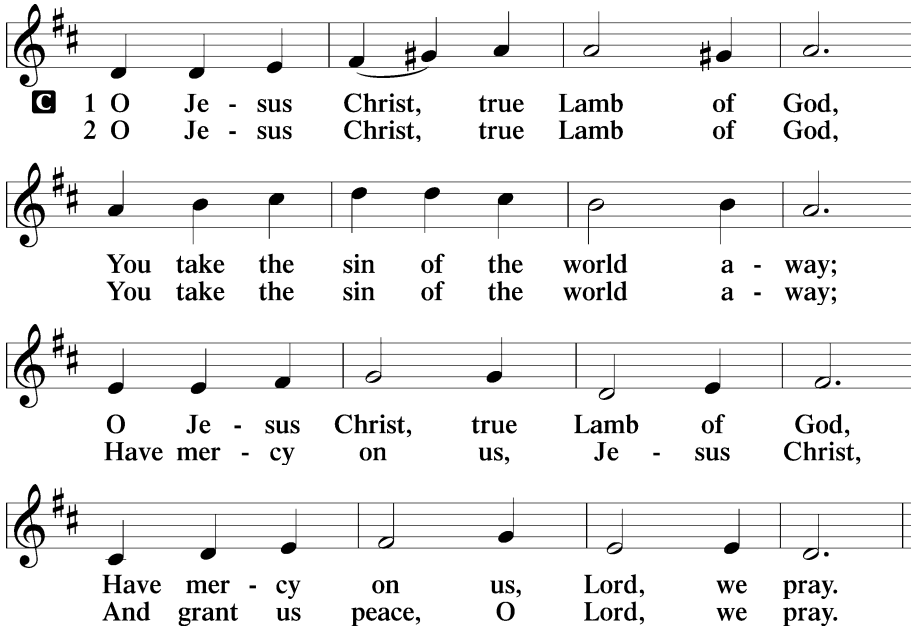
*LSB 209*

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



# Agnus Dei

LSB 210



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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Distribution & Hymns

### 783 Take My Life and Let It Be



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;  
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;  
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;  
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;  
Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.  
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,  
It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine own,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

## 798 The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
 2 The God of A - br'ham praise, At whose su - preme com - mand  
 3 The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace  
 4 He by Him - self has sworn; I on His oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.  
 From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.  
 Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.  
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;  
 I all on earth for - sake, Its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,  
 He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.  
 I shall be - hold His face; I shall His pow'r a - dore



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.  
 And Him my on - ly por - tion make, My shield and tow'r.  
 And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.  
 And sing the won - ders of His grace For - ev - er - more.

5 Though nature's strength decay,  
 And earth and hell withstand,  
 To Canaan's bounds I urge my way  
 At His command.  
 The wat'ry deep I pass,  
 With Jesus in my view,  
 And through the howling wilderness  
 My way pursue.

6 The goodly land I see,  
 With peace and plenty blest:  
 A land of sacred liberty  
 And endless rest.  
 There milk and honey flow,  
 And oil and wine abound,  
 And trees of life forever grow  
 With mercy crowned.

7 There dwells the Lord our king,  
 The Lord our righteousness,  
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin,  
 The Prince of Peace.  
 On Zion's sacred height  
 His kingdom He maintains  
 And glorious with His saints in light  
 Forever reigns.

8 The God who reigns on high  
 The great archangels sing,  
 And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry,  
 "Almighty King!  
 Who was and is the same  
 And evermore shall be:  
 Jehovah, Father, great I AM!  
 We worship Thee!"

△ 9 The whole triumphant host  
 Give thanks to God on high.  
 “Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”  
 They ever cry.  
 Hail, Abr’ham’s God and mine!  
 I join the heav’nly lays:  
 All might and majesty are Thine  
 And endless praise!

Text: Thomas Olivers, 1725–99, alt.

Tune: Hebrew

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## 628 Your Table I Approach



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.  
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;  
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,  
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.  
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.  
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.  
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

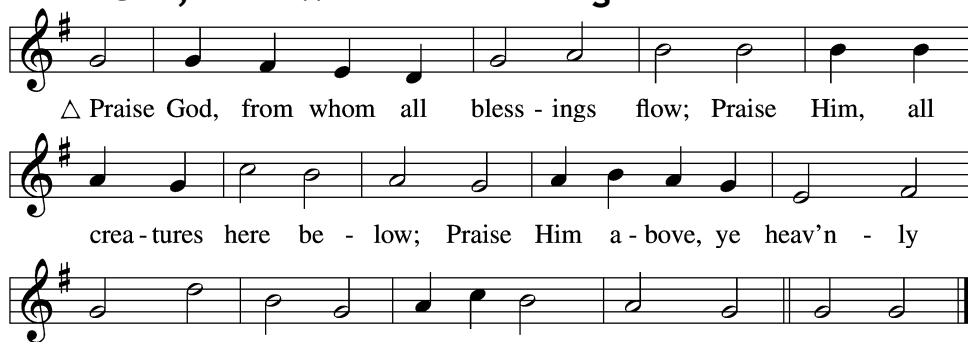
- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,  
 That earth and hell combined  
 May not about this sacrament  
 Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail  
 To thank You day and night  
 For Your true body and true blood,  
 O God, my peace and light.

Text: Gerhard Wolter Molanus, 1633–1722; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt.

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

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## 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.  
 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711 Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois  
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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

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 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

*LSB 212*

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

*LSB 212*

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

*LSB 212*

**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.

# 646 Church of God, Elect and Glorious

*Closing Hymn*



1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, Ho - ly  
 2 God has called you out of dark - ness In - to  
 3 Once you were an al - ien peo - ple, Strang - ers  
 4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, Be the



na - tion, cho - sen race; Called as God's own  
 His most mar - v'ulous light; Brought His truth to  
 to God's heart of love; But He brought you  
 peo - ple He in - tends; Strong in faith and



spe - cial peo - ple, Roy - al priests and heirs of  
 life with - in you, Turned your blind - ness in - to  
 home in mer - cy, Cit - i - zens of heav'n a -  
 swift to an - swer Each com - mand your Mas - ter



grace: Know the pur - pose of your call - ing,  
 sight. Let your light so shine a - round you  
 bove. Let His love flow out to oth - ers,  
 sends: Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing



Show to all His might - y deeds; Tell of love that  
 That God's name is glo - ri - fied And all find fresh  
 Let them feel a Fa - ther's care; That they too may  
 Through your sac - ri - fice and prayer; Give your lives in



knows no lim - its, Grace that meets all hu - man needs.  
 hope and pur - pose In Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.  
 know His wel - come And His count - less bless - ings share.  
 joy - ful ser - vice— Sing His praise, His love de - clare.

Text: James Edward Seddon, 1915-83

Tune: Cyril V. Taylor, 1907-92

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## Announcements for the Week of September 4, 2022

Sunday	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
<b>9/4</b> 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Pastor's Bible Study 11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis	<b>9/5</b>	<b>9/6</b>	<b>9/7</b>  6:30 PM – Wednesday Night Bible Study	<b>9/8</b>  10:00 AM – Elders meeting 6:00 PM – Music Group 7:00 PM – Board meeting	<b>9/9</b>	<b>9/10</b>

### Birthdays & Anniversaries:

9/4: Eric & Brenda Turner

9/5: Curt Acton, Rick & Alberta Schafstall

9/6: Janice Acree, Camden Jeffries

### Stewardship:

**Budget per week:** \$3157

**8/28 offerings:** \$2007.62

**8/28 Synodical Fund:** \$10

**Mortgage balance:** \$20,411.57

**8/28 Building Fund:** \$150

*The altar  
flowers were  
given by the  
Turner family  
in honor of  
their 40th  
anniversary*

**Wednesday Night Bible Study:** Join us this Wednesday at 6:30 PM for Wednesday Night Bible Study! We will begin a study on 1 and 2 Peter. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend, and invite a friend to come too!

**Sunday School:** Attention all Sunday School kids and parents! Sunday School will be starting soon! To kick off our year, we will have a cookout right after church on September 11 for the entire congregation. There will be corn dogs and mac-n-cheese. There will be a sign-up sheet at the door today. Please let us know if you are able to attend so we know how much food to make. One point I would like to make is there is a class for everyone. We have a class for little kids (approximately ages 3 through 2nd grade taught by myself), a class for older kids (approximately 3rd grade through high school taught by Kevin Schultz). There is also adult Bible class with Pastor Sorenson. We would like to have a third teacher to fill the gap between the two classes. Please consider this as these children are so eager to learn about the word of God.

**White Creek Fall Dinner:** Saturday, September 10. Carry out only this year. Drive thru from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Adults \$15, children (ages 3-10) \$6, extra meat \$3, extra dessert \$3. Menu: baked ham or turkey, sage dressing, real mashed potatoes & gravy, homemade noodles, green beans, home grown corn, pumpkin pie, apple pie, cherry pie, chocolate pie, sugar cream pie, pudding dessert.

### Prayer List:

**Teresa Lucas** (shut-in)

**Ron Cox** (health issues)

**Luella Holle** (shut-in)

**Bekah Brown**

**Matt** (Judy Strasser's nephew, cancer)

**Barry** (Margie Trimpe's brother, cancer)

**Skip** (Cindy May's father)

### Upcoming Acolytes:

**9/11:** Rayleigh Acton

**9/18:** Trevor Acree

**9/25:** Rayleigh Acton

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

- Mon. 9/5:        Read the Old Testament lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 – Holding fast to God and His commands brings life; turning away from God brings death.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 853 – How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord  
Pray the Collect of the Day: O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Tue. 9/6:        Read the Epistle lesson: Philemon 1-25 – Through faith in Christ, we are all freed from slavery to sin and joined together as beloved brothers and sisters.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 853 – How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/5)
- Wed. 9/7:        Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 14:25-35 – Being a disciple of Christ means being joined into His death and resurrection. We are called to take up the cross, putting to death the things of this world, in order that we too may be raised up to life.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 853 – How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/5)
- Thur. 9/8:        Read the Old Testament lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-24 – The Lord is our Shepherd who has found us, who were lost in sin, and who cares for us always.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 609 – Jesus Sinners Doth Receive  
Pray the Collect of the Day: Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Fri. 9/9:        Read the Epistle lesson: 1 Timothy 1:5-17 – Though we are all foremost of sinners, Jesus shows His grace, mercy, and love to us by judging us faithful.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 609 – Jesus Sinners Doth Receive  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/8)
- Sat. 9/10:        Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 15:1-10 – Lost in our sin, Jesus seeks us out and heaven rejoices when He finds us, because we are precious to Him.  
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 609 – Jesus Sinners Doth Receive  
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/8)