

**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *St. John's Lutheran Church***

Red Bud, Illinois

August 20, 2023 10:30 a.m.

**PRELUDE:** "To God On High Be Glory" *arranged by Matthew Weston*

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL** calls us to holy worship.

**OPENING HYMN: 770 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

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Holy Baptism, page 268ff.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:**

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, (and) 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.*

**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.**

### **INTROIT: Psalm 28**

The LORD is the strength of His people; **He is the saving refuge of His anointed.**

To You, O LORD, I call; **be not deaf to me,**

if You be silent to me, **I become like those who go down to the pit.**

Hear my pleas for mercy **when I cry to You for help,**

when I lift up my hands **toward Your most holy sanctuary.**

Blessèd be the LORD! **He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.**

The LORD is my strength and my shield; **in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;**

my heart exults, and with my song **I give thanks to Him.**

*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.*

The LORD is the strength of His people; **He is the saving refuge of His anointed.**

### **SONG OF PRAISE: "Brothers and Sisters in Christ"**

**1. Sing Alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and your praises ascend.**

**Lift up your voices and sing to our Lord God, our Savior and King!**

**Here brought together by grace, We are gathered as friends in this place.**

*(Refrain)* **And assembled as one, in the name of the Son, Lifting hearts, lifting hands,**

**Celebrating as friends, And proclaiming the Lord,**

**All our praises afford. We are brothers and sisters in Christ.**

**2. Man walked alone and in need, Without faith, hope or promise or creed:**

**Wandering aimlessly lost unaware of the staggering cost;**

**That God in His mercy would save All His people from death and the grave.**

*(Refrain)*

**3. Lord, teach us how to proclaim All Your goodness, Your love and Your name!**

**Lord, teach us how to forgive, and in love, teach us Lord how to live.**

**Raising our voices in song, Help us tell all the world we belong. (*Refrain*)**

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**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

P: The Lord be with you.      **C: And also with you.**      P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (*please be seated*)**

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:**

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-8**

Thus says the LORD: “Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon My salvation will come, and My deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to Him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be His servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast My covenant— these I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to Him besides those already gathered.”      P: This is the Word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL:**

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.**

**THE EPISTLE READING:**

**Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32**

I ask, then, has God rejected His people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all.

**P:** This is the Word of the Lord.   **C: Thanks be to God.**

*(please stand if you are able)* **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** page 205

**Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. These things are writ-ten that you may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 15:21-28**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th chapter.

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

Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before Him, saying, “Lord, help me.” And He answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.   **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(please be seated)* **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE SONG:** (LSB 744)

**A-maz-ing grace—how sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!**

**I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!**

**The Lord has prom-ised good to me, His Word my hope se-cures;**

**He will my shield and por-tion be As long as life en-dures.**

**Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And mor-tal life shall cease,**

**A-maz-ing grace shall then pre-vail In heav-en’s joy and peace.**

## SONG OF THE DAY: 653 "In Christ There Is No East or West"



1 In Christ there is no east or west,  
 2 With God there is no tribe or race;  
 3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name  
 4 Join hands, disciplines of the faith,  
 5 In Christ now meet both east and west;



In Him no south or north, But one great fel - low -  
 In Him we all are one. He loves us as His  
 Who died to set us free From sin, di - vi - sion,  
 What - e'er your race may be; Who serves my Fa - ther  
 In Him meet south and north. All Chris - tian souls are



ship of love Through - out the whole wide earth.  
 chil - dren through Our faith in His dear Son.  
 hate, and shame, From spite and en - mi - ty!  
 as His child Is sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in Him Through - out the whole wide earth.

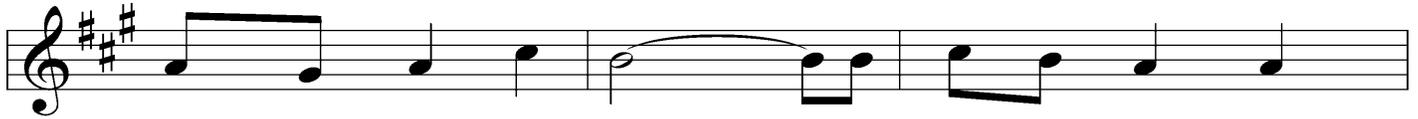
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**SERMON:** "Sheep, Dogs and the Bread that Feeds Them Both" Matthew 15:21-28

**SONG OF RESPONSE: 720 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"**



1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No  
 2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And  
 4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are  
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as  
 fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound To call on You when  
 found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter  
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.  
 we re - jice And cry "My Lord and God!"  
 You are near And seek where You are found.  
 and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.  
 as You are, With full and end - less sight.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*please stand if you are able*)

(*Each petition ends, "Lord, in Your mercy," and we respond, "hear our prayer."*)

**HEALING AND COMFORT:** Darlene Lohman, Floyd Wolter, Ruth Hecht, Rev. Russell Koen, Brian Guebert, Randy Miller, Kim Moll, Marcy Watters, Nick Mounts, Zac Carnahan, Ryan Valleroy, Sarah Roy, Ashlynn Crafton, Loxton Sutton; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Ava Kern, Gary Hollmann, Roger Hartmann, Kathy Wolter, Gary Hayes, Leila Keiser, Caleb Caesar, Karen Stark. *Help us keep this list current!*

**MILITARY:** (*Please call with names.*) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

**EMERGENCY PERSONNEL:** Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin

Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow, Aaron Runge.

+birth of a daughter to Samuel and Ashley Eggemeyer on August 5

+those suffering from the wildfires on the island of Maui in Hawaii

**OFFERTORY:** (*LSB 783*)

**Take my life and let it be Con-se-crat-ed, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my mo-ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.  
Take my sil-ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;  
Take my in-tel-lect and use Ev-'ry pow'r as Thou shall choose.  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ev-er, on-ly, all for Thee.**

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; **C: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION:**

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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. **Amen.**

*(please be seated)* **CLOSING HYMN: 576 “My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”**

**My hope is built on no-thing less Than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;  
No mer-it of my own I claim but whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.  
On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.**

**When dark-ness veils His love-ly face, I rest on His un-chang-ing grace;  
In ev-'ry high and storm-y gale My an-chor holds with-in the veil.  
On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.**

**His oath, His cov-e-nant and blood Sup-port me in the rag-ing flood;  
When ev-'ry earth-ly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.**

**When He shall come with trum-pet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righ-teous-ness a-lone, Re-deemed to stand be-fore His throne!  
On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand,  
All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.**

**THE POSTLUDE: "The Solid Rock"**

*arranged by Anna Laura Page*

*Instrumentalists: Lindsey Hudak, John Kellerhouse, and Jonathan Hudak*

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***This Week With Our Lord, August 20-27, 2023***

**SUNDAY, August 20-**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School Rally Day

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)

Noon Senior Youth (grades 9-12) New Member Welcome (church basement)

**Monday, August 21-**

4:30 p.m. Baseball away at TSJ in Nashville

6:00 p.m. Palmer Music meeting with school parents in school music room

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library

**Tuesday, August 22- *Cross Country at IC-Columbia after school***

9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

1:30 p.m. Holy Communion at Red Bud Garden Place

4:30 p.m. Baseball at home vs. Holy Childhood, Mascoutah

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

**Wednesday, August 23-**

9:00 a.m. Grades 3-8 School Chapel service at church with Pastor Nowak

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

3:30 p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades Public School Junior Confirmation at school

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles)

**Thursday, August 24-**

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

4:15 p.m. Softball at home vs. St. John-Chester

Friday, August 25-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel service in the church sanctuary

Saturday, August 26- Baseball & Softball B Team tourney here at RBAA

5:00 p.m. Divine Service- Acolyte: Landon Ruebusch

SUNDAY, August 27-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service- Acolyte: Brooke Wolter

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion- Acolyte: Norah Wagner

Noon Junior Youth to River Rapids Waterpark in Ste. Genevieve

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 324; Communion: 61; Adult/Youth: 19; Sunday School: 0

*And let us consider how to stir one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:24-25)*

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join together in the grace of giving. 8/13- General: \$25,231.11; School: \$1,130; Automatic Giving: \$5,410; School: \$105. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 9:7)*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matthew 15:27 – “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” These are the words of faith, for faith means receiving what God gives. And God has given us so much more than just the crumbs that fall from the table — He has given us life, salvation, body and soul, eyes and ears, possessions and income. That’s where our stewardship starts: with faith in the God who is the greatest Giver.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Latest Polls"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour the late Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus says that what people think about something--that's a poll. What that something actually is--that's the truth (Matthew 21:8-11 and Luke 23:23-25). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. with Pastor Nebel leading the topic of “We Preach Christ Crucified.” This is the Bible Study for this summer’s synodical convention.

HOLY BAPTISMS:

+We welcome Brynlee Clare Gramenz into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the Saturday service. She is the daughter of Mark and Melissa (Seymour)

Gramenz. Her baptismal sponsors are Bryan Gramenz and Stefan Gramenz. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

+We welcome Elise Kinsley Uffelmann into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late Sunday service. She is the daughter of Nick and Amy (Schutte) Uffelmann. Her baptismal sponsors are Katelin Uffelmann and Justin Schutte.

#### CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Samuel and Ashley (Kipp) Eggemeyer with the birth of their daughter, Elise Lorraine, on August 5 at Memorial East Hospital in Shiloh. She joins her older brothers, Fletcher and Cohen, at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

#### MUM SALE FUNDRAISER:

The Class of 2024 is selling mums for \$9 in bronze, red, purple, and yellow colors. Orders can be placed through any 8<sup>th</sup> grade student and are due by Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> for Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> pick-up (2:30-7 p.m. in the school parking lot). Thank you!

OUR SENIOR YOUTH will meet this Sunday, August 20 at noon in their church basement hangout for a new member (incoming freshman and others) welcome event. There will be ice cream and a scavenger hunt.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY:

We will begin our new year of Christian Education through our Sunday School this Sunday, August 20. Rally Day activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the new gym. Weather permitting, activities will follow outside. Snacks/drinks provided!

#### JUNIOR YOUTH (Grades 4-8) ACTIVITY:

“Our August Event is Waterpark on Sunday August 27<sup>th</sup>. We will leave from the school parking lot at noon and drive through Chester. The waterpark is open until 6 p.m. Eat lunch before you come. I will have snacks for after swimming. There is also a concession stand if you would want to send money for that. River Rapids Waterpark is in St Genevieve, Missouri at 1301 Progress Pkwy. The group rate cost is ages 3-12 is \$10, and \$11 for those older. If you are interested, please let me know by 8/25!! You can rsvp via facebook or text 618-581-5928. If anyone has a better communication preference let me know, I'm open to suggestions. Once I know a total number then I can work on getting discounted tickets. I also need to know if you want to come as a driver or you will just send your child. Thank you!!!” *Erin Kuehn*

#### WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Wednesday Women meet at 9:30 a.m. Their topic is Deb Burma’s recent book, “Be Still and Know.” Wednesday’s class on 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday’s class on the Old Testament minor prophet Hosea meets at 7:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Breakfast next meets on Saturday, September 2 at 7 a.m. to study “Proverbs: God’s Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living.”

#### SECRET ANGELS:

Secret Angels serve our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students (day school and public school confirmation) by praying for their students and encouraging them in their studies with regular notes and small gifts and occasional (e.g. birthday, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day) larger gifts. You

will be given a Secret Angel Information Form that the students will complete once school has begun so you will know their interests and likes. Please contact Pastor Nebel if you are willing to serve in this way. Also, do not contact your student until after Pastor has given you your information form. Secret Angels will be revealed to their students at the Rite of Confirmation (scheduled for April 7).

#### MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES:

Calling all students, youth, and adults who sing/play an instrument! I am looking for anyone who is interested in using your gifts of music to enhance our weekend worship services by providing pre-service music before the worship services begin. I welcome everyone, from beginner to advanced! If you would like to play/sing in a different part of the service, that can be arranged also. If you are interested, please let me know! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

8/20- Kevin Zeiger, Alyssa Cowell, Logan Cowell; 8/21- Pam Miller, Jason Langrehr, Chris Schield; 8/22- Viola Muench, Elsie Miller; 8/23- Alex Adams, Jenna Salger; 8/24- Amy Minemann, Samantha Lucht, Blake Horrell, Jonah Liefer; 8/25- Daniel Rahn, Matthw Liefer, Megan Horrell, Kortney Moll, Lara Voss, Jacob Liefer, Kullen Liefer; 8/26- Trent Minemann. *Please call our office with any corrections!*

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs in Chester: Eunice Wiatr & Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace: June Lawrence & Jean Menke; Randolph County Nursing Home: Don Kueker; Columbia Garden Place: Barb Ladwig

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Mary Gross, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Arlin and Helen Winkelman, Carl and Flo Zschiegner

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies

#### THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at [dvheller@htc.net](mailto:dvheller@htc.net) or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

#### CASEY'S REWARDS:

Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to St. John's school through the Casey's app. Thank you!

#### LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: [www.lutheransforlife](http://www.lutheransforlife)

He who made and still sustains nature and all creatures has no anxieties about overpopulation. The Lord our God delights in adding another human life (Isaiah 56:8) and wrapping the next neighbor in magnificent mercy (Romans 15:32). Let the peoples praise

You, O God, in ever increasing number (Psalm 67:5-6) – the unborn one, the impaired one, and even our Gospel-motivated voices For Life!

*The Summer edition of LifeDate is available in the entryway for you to take.*

**OLDER ADULT LUTHERAN HERITAGE BUS TRIP:**

On Tuesday, October 3, seniors will have the opportunity to travel on a Coach Bus (Huskey-Trailways) to Perry County, Missouri, and learn about Lutheran immigration from Germany to America. The bus will pick up passengers at 8:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbia. While traveling to Frohna and Altenburg, Missouri, Mr. Bob Polansky, Director of Camp Wartburg, will lead a Bible study. The first stop will be at the Lutheran Heritage Center and Museum in Altenberg. The museum interprets the 1838-39 Lutheran immigration from Germany to Perry County, including the history of the seven original colonies that were established there. Besides the museum you could take a short walk and tour the 1839 Log Cabin-Concordia Seminary birthplace, and Christian Loeber Cabin. Registration forms are on the bulletin boards in the church entryway.

**FROM LUTHERAN CHURCH CHARITIES: Hawaii Wildfires**

This is the deadliest United States wildfire in more than 100 years, as authorities work to identify the victims and sift through the burned communities of western Maui. 3,000+ homes, businesses, schools, government, and cultural centers are destroyed. An estimated 12,000 people are displaced, with people sleeping in shelters, vehicles, stores, on the street, or with family and friends. With businesses destroyed, there is a massive loss of jobs. The devastation is catastrophic, and there is a tremendous need for spiritual, emotional, and trauma care for everyone impacted and the first responders who are heroically dealing with the remaining wildfires, conducting search and rescue operations, and recovering lives lost. The greatest need is for financial donations to help the people of Maui. They do not have the ability to take in any more donations of items. If you are so moved by this disaster, please donate generously so that we can help survivors with this unfathomable loss.

**CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:**

+Joan Voges offers us music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection for a donation to our school ministry. Copies are on a table in the Fellowship Hall.

+Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue has CD music available on the table in the Fellowship Hall for a \$10 donation to St. John's debt reduction.

**FINANCIAL NEED FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT:**

St. John's member and recent Red Bud High School graduate Ashlynn Crafton has been diagnosed with leukemia. We can provide some financial assistance for her treatments at her GoFundMe account <https://gofund.me/3579ba87> or at an account set up with Buena Vista National Bank Account #272745. Thank you for considering how you can help during this difficult time.

**LCMS FOUNDATION:**

All assets within your estate are God's gifts which you will be gifting to family and ministry when the Lord calls you home. It is good to learn how to pray for those who will be receiving these gifts. God made you the steward of His gifts. He wants you to shower others with His

blessings for physical needs but also spiritual blessings that come through the sharing of the Gospel. Engage in specific plans to bless specific people or ministries. Then remember them by name in your prayers as you prepare for the day you meet the Lord face to face. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can help you. Contact him at [Scott.Radden@LFND.org](mailto:Scott.Radden@LFND.org) or call his cell phone at 618-977-4049.

**KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

KFUO Radio AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org), a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO AM850, dig into Sacraments and Church Order in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (8/26 at 10 a.m.), finish Ecclesiastes on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), and study Acts 18-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUO Radio app!

**PARISH NURSE NOTE:** from LCMS *Better Health*

Beware of the “health halo”: People who think their meal is healthy are more likely to add unhealthy side dishes, drinks and desserts, resulting in consuming more than twice as many additional calories.

**CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618/853-7300**

Annual Dinner Auction: We are planning our annual dinner auction, which will be held on Saturday, November 4. If you are interested in helping with the planning process, please contact the school. We would love to have you!

School Office Hours are Monday–Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

*The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.*

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Senior Pastor Mark Nebel 618/237-5802 or home 618/282-3050

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Principal – Mr. Justin Palm 618/214-1103

Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 618/340-6055

Director of Christian Education/School Librarian–Mr. Bill Becker 618/282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Leslie Froemling and Mrs. Sara Shepherd

Senior Youth – Kirk and Stephanie Liefer 618/967-0804

Junior Youth – Erin Kuehn 618/581-5928

Sherry Prange, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

*Faculty and Staff*

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz  
 First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer  
 Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy  
 Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel  
 Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens  
 Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel  
 Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan  
 Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss  
 School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm  
 Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Madison Shields, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Kailyn Moeller, Madison Falkenhain, Stephanie Surman, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Deanna Ward, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Wuertz

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse  
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 Lutheran High School Board: Rebekah Liefer and Vickie Heller

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak  
 Lectors (8 a.m.): Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff; (10:30 a.m.) DCE Bill Becker  
 Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colby Voss; (8 a.m.) Liam Kilpatrick; (10:30 a.m.) Karleigh Liefer  
 Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Olivia Schmitz and Cindy Steele;  
 (10:30 a.m.) Gerald and Jill Hanebutt  
 Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr  
 Flower Servers: Pam Miller and Kortney Moll Paraments: Virginia Moeller