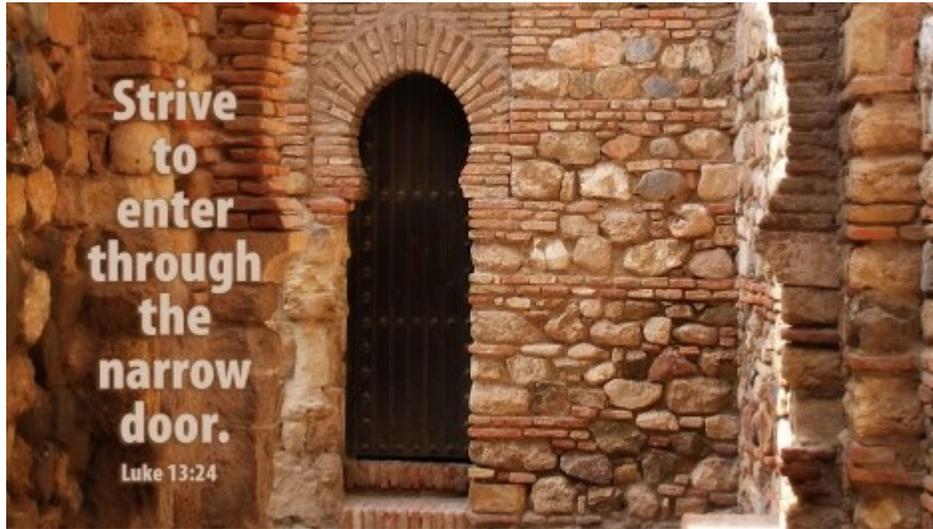


Welcome Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019



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Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

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ORDER OF SERVICE—Setting Five Bread of Life

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kay Morgan

BLESSING OF SCHOOL BACKPACKS

BACK OF BULLETIN

PRELUDE

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” - Alexander

Please Stand

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

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

HYMN

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LBW 245

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

KYRIE

A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:

A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE

C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

I Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

☒ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

I
II For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

☒ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Care for your Church, O Lord, with perpetual mercy. Since we totter and are sure to fall without your grace, remove what will harm us and arrange what will make us whole. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:18-23

18“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, 19and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. 20And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the Lord, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the Lord. 21And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the Lord. 22For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your offspring and your name remain. 23From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 50:1-15 (read in unison)

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken;*
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,*
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence;*
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above*
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 “Gather before me my loyal followers,*
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;*
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: “O Israel, I will bear witness against you;*
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;*
your offerings are al-ways before me.
- 9 I will take no bull calf from your stalls,*
nor he-goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine,*
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.

- 11 I know every bird in the sky,*
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you,*
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,*
or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving*
and make good your vows to the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.”

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:4-24 [25-29]

4 In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. 5 And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. 6 For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” 7 It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? 8 If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. 9 Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? 10 For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. 11 For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. 12 Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, 13 and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. 14 Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. 15 See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; 16 that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. 17 For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears. 18 For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest 19 and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. 20 For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that

speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. [25See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. 26At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." 27This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken — that is, things that have been made — in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. 28Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, 29for our God is a consuming fire.]

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter.

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

Luke 13:22-30

22{Jesus} went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. 23And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, 24"Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. 25When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' 26Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' 27But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' 28In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. 29And people will come from east and west, and from north and

south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. 30And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

Please be seated

SERMON

Rev. Bill Ketchie

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LBW 479

THE APOSTLE’S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

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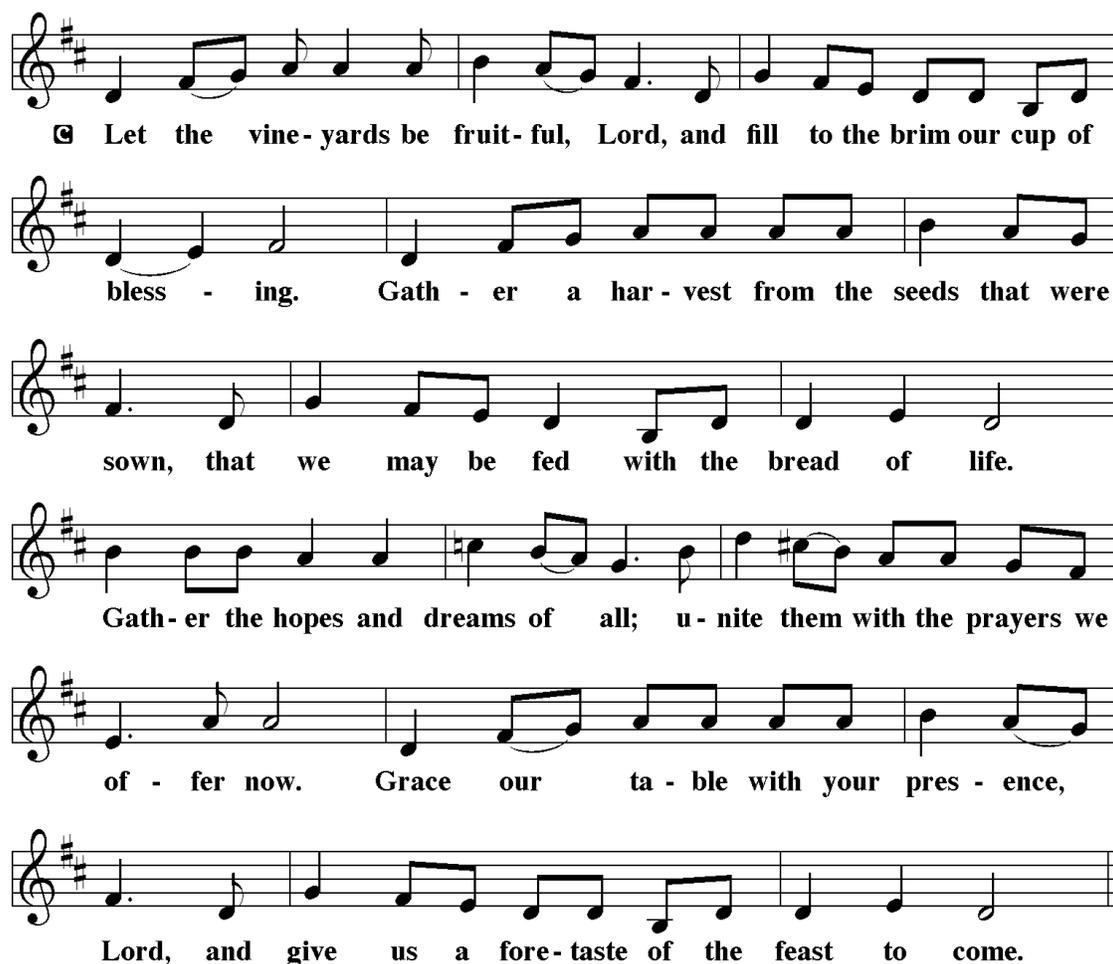
Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing - Young

Chancel Choir

Please stand as able

OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

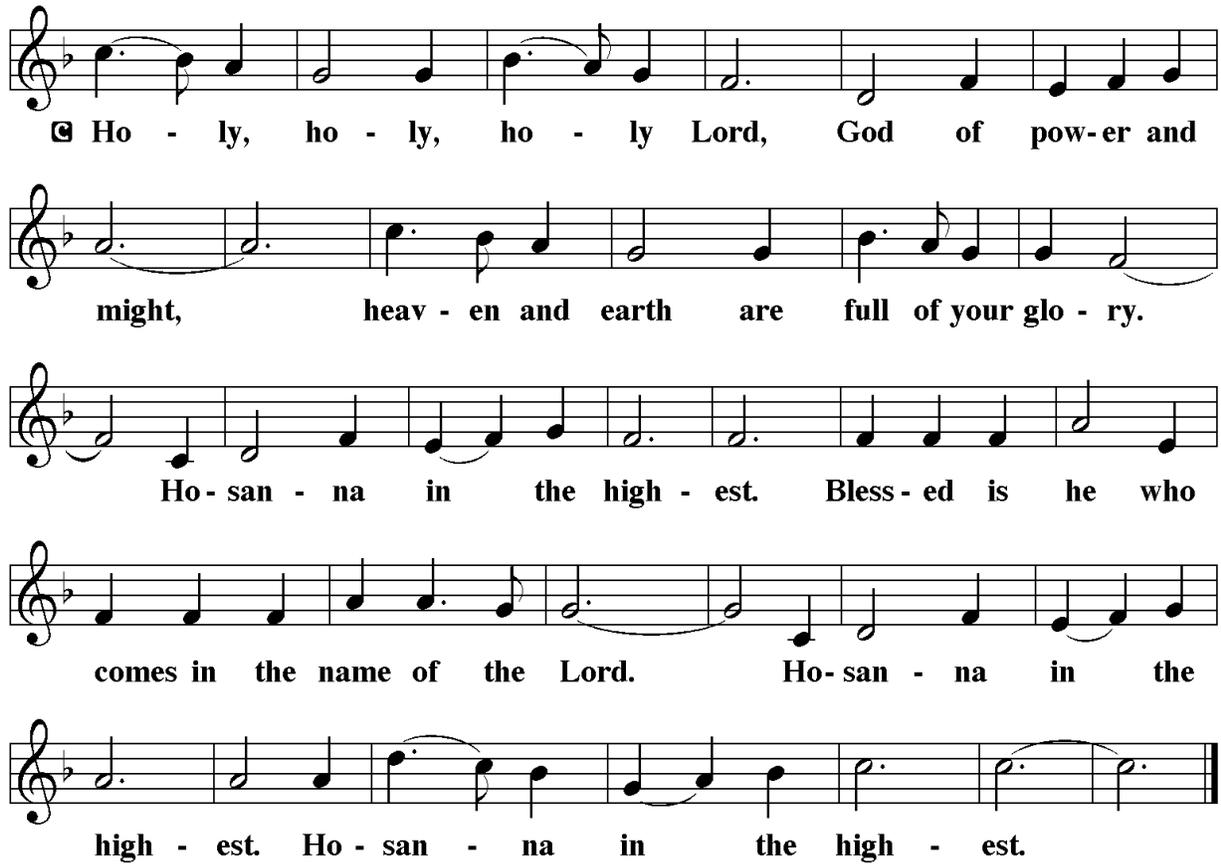
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE COMMUNION PRAYER (Option 2)

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
that by this Holy Communion we may know
the unity we share with all your people
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever

C. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

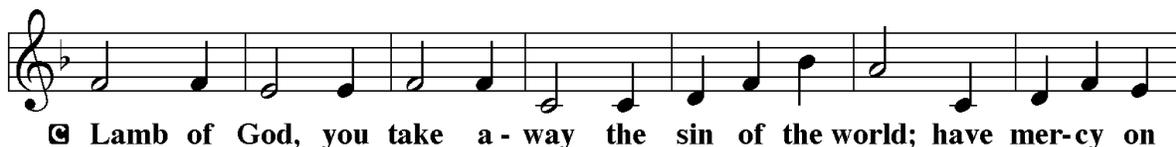
**C. Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

All who are baptized and believe Christ is truly present within the elements of the bread and wine are welcome to God's table. Today we receive the sacrament by way of "intinction." After receiving the wafer, dip it into the wine. Grape juice is provided for anyone who is not able to receive the wine.

AGNUS DEI



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HYMNS DURING HOLY COMMUNION

Eat This Bread, Drink This Wine

Let Us Break Bread Together *LBW 212*

Please stand

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

☩ Thank - ful hearts and voice - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -

one what God has done. Let all who seek the

Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and

lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -

giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE PRAYER

P. Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C. **Amen.**

BLESSING

P. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN

Faith of Our Fathers

LBW 500

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Lessons for Next Week:

Proverbs 25:2-10; Psalm 131; Hebrews 13:1-17; Luke 14:1-14

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and thanking him for each and every day by Yvonne and Jeremy Welton.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Nursing Home Residents - Brenda Mahaley, Jane Peeler, Zarah Plyler, Pat and Wayne Miller, Ruth Monroe, Jean Kluttz, and Jean Ray (Autumn Care), Bob Wilhelm (The Meadows of Rockwell), Ed & Betty Denker (Trinity Oaks, Apt. 123B).

Homebound Members - Ray Chambers, Mary Brady, Rachel Earnhardt, Billy Waller, Michael Walton, and Frances Norris.

Sick/Surgery/Recovery—Ruby Leazer, Teresa Kesler, Linda Hartley, Phoebe & Marvin Nunn, Betty & Bob Goodwin, Glenn Eagle, Donnie Miller, Pat Kluttz, Steve Hutchens, Larry Shepherd, Harold Miller, Susan & John Knight, Grace Morgan, Effie Vellines, Lynn Coughenour, Karen Plyler, Tommy Kerns, Eric Miller, Bill Broadway.

Continual Prayer – Shelia Mulkey, June Fraley, Tamm Honeycutt, Dawn Merrell, Teresa Frank, (Pam Vellines cousin), Yvette Bates (coworker of Karen Barringer), Marie Gorapic, (sister of Linda Spencer), Vanna Calloway, friend of Kat Clifton, Ophelia Curlee (sister-in-law of Grace Morgan), Karen DeMunbrun (Niece of Grace Morgan), Hong Nguyen (Pete Nguyen’s mother), Justin West and David Mitchell (friends of Pete Nguyen), Robert Parker (brother of Jimmy Parker), Pat Miller, Benny Myers (friends of Jan Huffman), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Marc & Donna Collins (friends of Sharon Leazer), Evonne Batten (mother of Lisa Morgan), Robert Cook (uncle of Lisa Morgan).

ASSISTANTS SERVING DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2019

Acolytes: Felisaty and Dusty Morgan

Lay Reader: Sara Welch

Communion Assistants: Vivian Sprinkle and Jan Huffman

Ushers: Phil Cauble (HU), Wade Leazer, Larry Barringer, and Frank Merrell

Today's Loose Offering: Lutheridge Scholarship Fund

WEEKLY EVENTS:

Sun. Aug. 25	MESSENGER DEADLINE
Mon. Aug. 26	6:00 pm Worship & Music Committee
Tues. Aug. 27	7:00 pm Property/Cemetery Committee
Wed. Aug. 28	7:00 pm Scouts 7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Thur. Aug. 29	11:00 am Messenger Crew
Fri. Aug. 30	5:00 pm Game Night
Next Sun. Sept. 1	9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion— IN DUTCH MEETING HALL

Movie Night at Union
Saturday, September 7th
starting at 4:00 PM.

A light supper of soup and sandwiches at 5:00
and then





Dusty Morgan:

Today, we have before us backpacks to be carried to and from school by the children and youth gathered here. These backpacks will contain work to be done, work that's been returned, books to be studied and tools to complete homework. Notebooks, pencils, pens, and other items used for school work will find their way in and out of these backpacks.

Some days, so much stuff will fill these backpacks that the student may find it difficult to walk. Other days, they will be light and nearly empty. But on each and every day, these backpacks represent work required of the students gathered here. And, as in every aspect of our life, we bring these before God for blessing at this time.

Karen Morgan: *Let us pray:*

Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students.

They stand here ready to receive your blessings and they commit themselves to study and learning in the school year ahead. We ask your blessing on each of them.

Further, we ask your blessing on these backpacks. They will hold the school work of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. As these students carry these backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of Union Lutheran Church that surrounds them each school day.

We pray as well for the teachers and administrators in our schools. May they also be sustained by your blessing. May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care as well.

Dusty and Karen: We pray this blessing in the precious name of Jesus.

C. AMEN.

The Prelude

Confession etc.

