CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

Sun-1	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	Early Service (Memorial Chapel) Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Opening for Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall) Sunday School Announcements & Service (Communion) Chancel Choir Faith Group (AA) (Fellowship Hall)
Mon-2	9:00 am	LABOR DAY Church Office Closed NO Preschool Dirty Collar Workers NO Esther Circle NO Rebecca Circle
Tue-3	8:30 am 10:30 am	Preschool Clothing Closet work Day (10:30 am—1:30 pm) Parsonage
Wed-4	8:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool Sprouts (1st—5 grade youth) Elementary Sunday School Classroom Hand Bells (Start Back) Chapel Voices (Go back to regular time)
Thur-5	8:30 am 10:00 am	Preschool The Prayer Ministry
Fri-6	2:00 pm	Choir Retreat Starts (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Sanctuary)
Sat-7	8:00 am	Choir Retreat (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Sanctuary)

BOLD means not a normal event or a change of some kind.

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



14:1,7—

LUKE 14

"AN IN-

VITATION TO DINNER"

What kind of dinner is this?
What does it mean to welcome?
The invitations are being given now.

12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 1st, 2019
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LUTHERAN CHAPEL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHER

Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8—9

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.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1—17

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT Mark 12:28—31

sons to read the Bible together each year, and a song of praise are below. The "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available as a booklet, an app, in e-Book format, daily email, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe. Fill out a prayer card to share or notify the church office with concerns.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Braylon Beam, Donna Carpenter, Jerry Carpenter, Hunter Clark, Kathy Finch, Jerry Fogle, Ken Lentz, Cathy Lloyd, Betty Petty, and Bill Robinson.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Ruth Benoy, Jeff Coffey, Amelia Edwards, Heath Hasket, Hannah Wilson, Michael Hobbs, Travis Hogue, Pam Myers, Harry Nicholson, Sam & Lara Raisanen, Martin Salois, Pastor Peter Setzer, Mary Ann Sheridan, Sharon Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, Dana Williams and Lulu Zizak.

WEEK 36: SEPTEMBER 1—SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

Sun-1	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 12—Evening Reading: Psalms 135, 136
Mon-2	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 13—Evening Reading: Psalms 137, 138, 139
Tue-3	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:1-20—Evening Reading: Psalms 140, 141, 142
Wed-4	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 14: 21-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 143, 144, 145
Thur-5	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-28—Evening Reading: Psalms 146, 147
Fri-6	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:29-58—Evening Reading: Psalms 148, 149, 150
Sat-7	Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 16—Evening Reading: Proverbs 1, 2
Sun-8	Morning Reading: 2 Corinthians 1—Evening Reading: Proverbs 3, 4, 5

Song Of Praise

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

ELW #836

Next Sundays Lessons for September 8, 2019

8:30 Early Service: Matthew 5:38—48 "Teaching from the Mountain"

10:30 Service: Luke 14:1, 7—14 "Carrying the Cross"

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



THE CLOTHING CLOSET WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you know of anyone in need of clothing please let them know.

RECEPTION: Claudia Zibell has served at Lutheran Chapel for eight years as our Oparish administrative assistant. Her professionalism and heart for the ministries of the church have been a blessing for many. Claudia has made the difficult decision to resign her position, effective September 30. A reception in her honor will be held on Sunday, September 22, following the 10:30 worship service. If you have any referrals for this position, please forward to Beth Swindler bsswindler yahoo.com.

CONFIRMATION SEMINAR: Our first confirmation seminar, for students in 6th—8th grade, will be on **Friday, September 27th** from 6:30—pm in the Youth Room. A light supper will be provided. Please contact Pastor Comer with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: The WELCA sponsored "Over 60 Banquet" is scheduled for **Sunday, October 20th** immediately following the 10:30 worship service in the Family Life Center. Please mark your calendars to join us for delicious food, great entertainment and fun fellowship!

SAVE THE DATE!: The Fall Work Day at the church is scheduled for **Saturday**, **November 2nd** from 9:00 am to noon.

NEW MEMBERS: We would like to welcome the following people who joined our church last week. If you see them say Hi. Laura Lilly and her 2 children Morgan and Nathan, Frances Ford, and Keith and Theresa Yarbrough.

NEW MINISTRY: There is a new Ministry here at Lutheran Chapel—The Prayer Ministry Team. Our goal for this Ministry is that all would experience the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives and fostering a more intimate relationship with God. We want to restart our Prayer Shawl Ministry, have Bible Study focusing on improving our Prayer life, and prayer vigils at special times. We are looking for Prayer Warriors who will spend time each week praying for all the needs and requests of the church. We are open to any and all ideas that can help in our prayer life (Bible bookmarks, monthly parents prayer program, etc.). We want to gather for prayer and review resources/ideas to help meet the prayer needs of the church. Would you join us in this mission as we work together to experience the power of prayer? Please contact Kathy Carpenter for meeting details—see you each **Thursday at 10:00 am**. (Kathy 704-214-2493 or email her at katherinecarpenter@yahoo.com).

OWLS: A Remind 101 account has been created for the OWLS group. This app will allow activity and outing updates to be sent to your phone. To be added to this app, text @hfcage to the number 81010. This will automatically add you to the group. For any questions or assistance, please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org or see her before or after church.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD (Psalm 1:2). A prayer list, daily les-

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"The Church's One Foundation"

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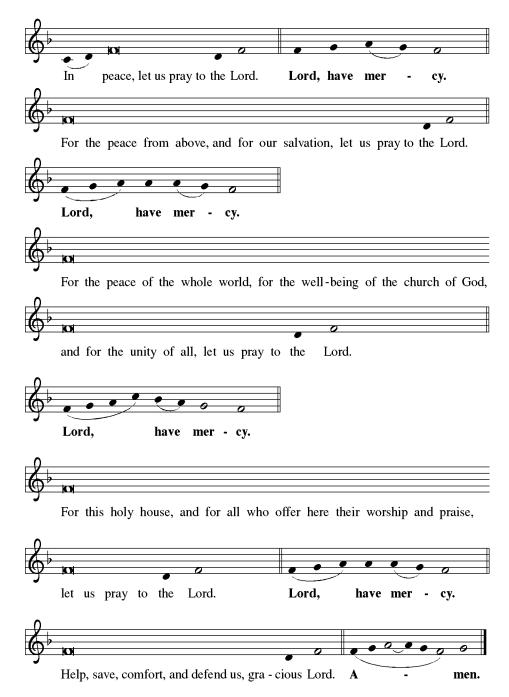
*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

2 Corinthians 13:13

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.

*THE KYRIE Mark 10:47



ROOTED IN CHRIST MINISTRIES: All youth (6th—12thgrade) are invited to our first meeting on **Sunday**, **September 8th** at 5 pm in the Youth Room. Devotion and an activity will be from 5—6 pm followed by Crossroads Choir/open gym from 6—6:30 pm. A light dinner will be provided at 6:30 pm. Parent volunteers are needed. Please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org with any questions.

REBECCA CIRCLE: The Rebecca Circle will meet on **Monday, September 9th** at 6:00 pm at the home of Janie Peak along with co-host, Trish Ratchford. We will be serving a light supper. Our program will be presented by Mollie Weakland, Outreach Specialist for the Cathy M. Cloninger Center/Domestic Violence Shelter. The shelter is always in need of the following items: sheets, towels, personal toiletries, and diapers. If you would please bring any of those items listed, they would be graciously appreciated. Donations of money would be gladly accepted as well.

CPR/AED TRAINING: The September Brotherhood Meeting (all welcome!), **Tuesday, September 10th** at 5:30pm, with training at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. We are excited to partner with the City of Gastonia Fire Department and Paramedics to offer CPR/AED (defibrillator) training and certification for up to <u>40</u> Lutheran Chapel members. This training will begin at 6:00 pm and last approximately 3 hours. There is no cost for the training but a nominal charge per person if you would like to receive official documentation on certification. The Brotherhood will offer dinner and have a brief meeting prior to training at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. A love offering will be accepted to offset the cost of the meal. If you are interested in participating in the CPR/AED training sign-up is first come, first serve for up to <u>40</u> people. Contact Katherine Sanders (bakersanders@earthlink.net or 704-616-8779) to sign-up. No sign-up needed if you would just like to come for dinner and fellowship with the Brotherhood and participants.

OWLS: Anyone who considers themselves an older, wiser, Lutheran is welcome to come enjoy dinner at Cracker Barrel at 5:30 pm on **Thursday, September 12th**. Please let Amy know if you are able to attend by Tuesday, September 10th. Since the Cracker Barrel parking lot is so small, it may be a good idea to carpool with a friend! Hope to see you there!

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: The Jamison family has graciously invited the middle and high school youth and their families to a cookout at their home on **Sunday, September 15th** from 1:30—4:30 pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity for fun and fellowship for our youth and a great way to kick off the new church year!

YOUTH PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: After and middle and high school youth group meets from 5— 6 pm in the Youth Room on Sunday nights, we are in need of youth parent volunteers to supervise open gym and dinner from 6—7 pm. Please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org if you are willing to help.

C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN "How Firm a Foundation"

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*THE DISMISSAL—LUTHERAN CHAPEL CHILDREN AND POSTLUDE

Children: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

THE ALTAR FLOWER ARE GIVEN by Dan Lineberger in memory of his wedding anniversary to Gloria Lineberger.

THOSE WHO SERVE AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant	Claudia Zibell
Interim Director of Youth and Fam	nily MinistryAmy Carpenter
	Lisa Burch
	Roger Myers
Music Director	Jeanette Myers
Nursery Worker	Charlie Jones
Assistant Minister	Josh Carpenter
Lector	Beth Swindler
	Harry Swindler
	Mason Swindler
	Clayton Lewis, Leon Moretz, Scott Robinson
	Amy Brown & Ken Obenauf
	Beth Swindler
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PARISH NEWS

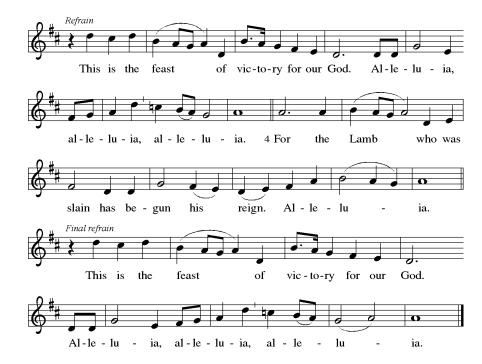
COMMUNION CARDS: Please fill out a communion card so that the church office has a record of who have received Holy Communion today. Thank you.

LC SPROUTS MINISTRIES: All elementary children (1st—5th grade) are invited to our first meeting on **Wednesday**, **September 4th** from 6—7 pm in the elementary Sunday school classroom.

THIS IS THE FEAST

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9





PRAYER OF THE DAY

(prayed together)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S CHURCH DISMISSAL TIME

Amy Brown

This is an opportunity for children 3rd grade and under to learn about God in an interactive way. We will be in the Fellowship Hall during the readings and be back during the hymn of the day. (pass prayer cards to the ushers)

HYMN "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus Loves me! This I know For the Bible tells me so;

SENDING

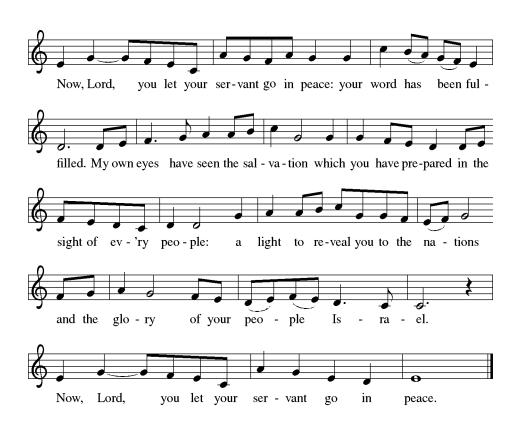
*THE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and preserve you in body and soul to everlasting life. Let us depart in + peace.

C: Amen.

***SONG OF SIMEON**

Luke 2:29—32



*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine You give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May Your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9—13

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come,

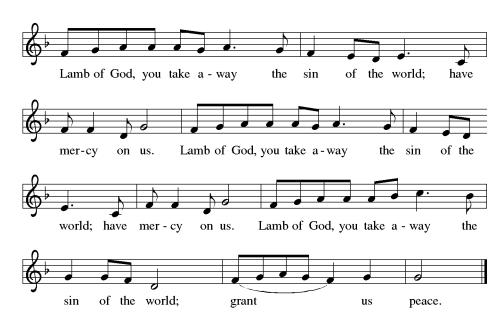
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven, Give us this day our daily bread;

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.

*LAMB OF GOD

Luke 2:29—32



THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord Jesus to all baptized. If you have yet to receive baptism, you are welcome to come for a blessing. For those of you who choose, grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free Communion bread is available upon request.

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW #726, #522, #515

Little ones to Him belong, They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide, He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.

Refrain

Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me, all the way; If I love Him when I die, He will take me home on high.

Refrain

THE FIRST LESSON

PROVERBS 25:6—7

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature in the reading for today, the writer of the book warns against the sin of pride, proclaiming that God will utterly overthrow the proud.

Oo not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great;
 for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

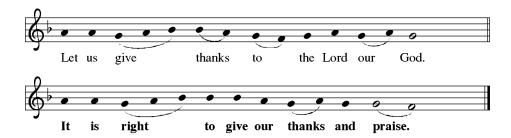
PSALM 112



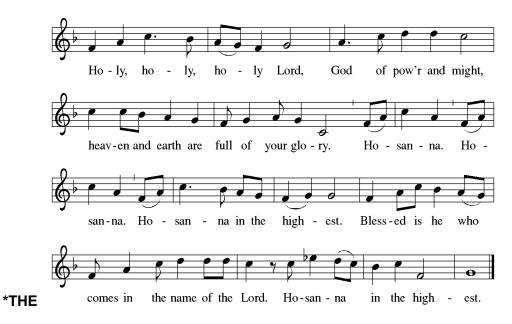
HEBREWS 13:1-8, 15-16

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for



PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



WORDS OF INSTITUTION Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

P: 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.

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22—24, Ephesians 4:1—3

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, 2 Corinthians 9:7—8

ANTHEM

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Come, You that Are Blessed By God"

Anne Krentz Organ

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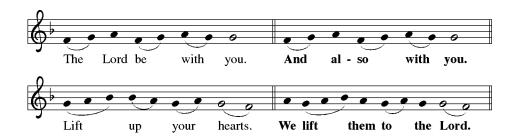
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

AM: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136



he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia" John 6:68



*THE GOSPEL

LUKE 14:1, 7—14

Response after announcement

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach His hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes as appeal for hosts to mimic God's gracious hospitality to the poor and the broken.

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE "An Invitation to Dinner"

Eating is Important

A Dinner Party with Pharisees (who are not "fair you see" (a)

Be Humble or Be Humbled

THE LAW is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: Why do we insist on divisions and classifying people?

THE GOSPEL is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus invites all to the feast of the Kingdom of God.

ON DISCIPLESHIP—LEARNING OF AND FROM JESUS: Be humble, it takes a lot of pressure off! Whenever you see a fellow human being remember each one of us is made in God's image and Jesus died and rose for us all. What is your take away for your walk with Christ?

*HYMN OF THE DAY "O God of Light"

ELW #507

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 + everlasting. Amen.

*THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1—4

AM: Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

AM: God of peace we pray for the leaders, teachers, and preachers who fearlessly share Your word and who reveal You through humble sacrifice. Uphold and sustain all who seek to live in a way that is Oleasing to You, Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Prayers continue and conclude with this petition

P: Assured by Your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before Your throne of grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.