

# LUTHERAN CHAPEL



**MATTHEW 16:13-20**

***“JESUS THE CHRIST”***

*Who do you say that I AM?*

*The question Jesus asks echoes to each generation.*

*Who is Jesus? What does His life have to do with your life?*

**12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 23, 2020**

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**SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER**

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.*

**GATHER**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GREETING**

*Psalm 122:1; Psalm 127:1; Genesis 28:16-17*

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: I was glad when they said unto me,

**C: let us go to the house of the Lord!**

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P: Oh, come let us worship!

**C: Oh, come let us worship! Oh, come let us worship! Oh, come let us worship!**



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;  
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;  
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;  
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind-ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.  
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.  
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.  
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;  
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;  
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.  
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.  
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict-ness with a zeal God will not own.  
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt.  
 Music: LORD, REVIVE US, North American, 19th cent.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### FIRST READING

#### ISAIAH 51:1-6

*Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.*

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the LORD.  
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

<sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
but I blessed him and made him many.

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup>Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.

<sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended.

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 138 (LBW)**

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and | praise your name,  
because of your | love and faithfulness;

<sup>3</sup>for you have glori- | fied your name  
and your word a- | bove all things.

<sup>4</sup>When I called, you | answered me;  
you increased my | strength within me.

<sup>5</sup>All the kings of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.

<sup>6</sup>They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,  
that great is the glory | of the LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Though the LORD be high, he cares | for the lowly;  
he perceives the haughty | from afar.

<sup>8</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall  
save me.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will make good his pur- | pose for me;  
O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.

**GLORIA PATRI**

*(sung together)*

**Glory 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.**

**SECOND READING**

**ROMANS 12:1-8**

*In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by the time in which we live but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.*

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

<sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds,

so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*John 1:1, Luke 24:32*



☐ Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!



Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip- tures.



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

## GOSPEL

## MATTHEW 16:13-20

Response after the announcement:

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

*At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.*

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup>And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." <sup>20</sup>Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## MESSAGE

*"Jesus the Christ"*

Who Do You Say That I AM?

Peter's Great Confession

Jesus' Way

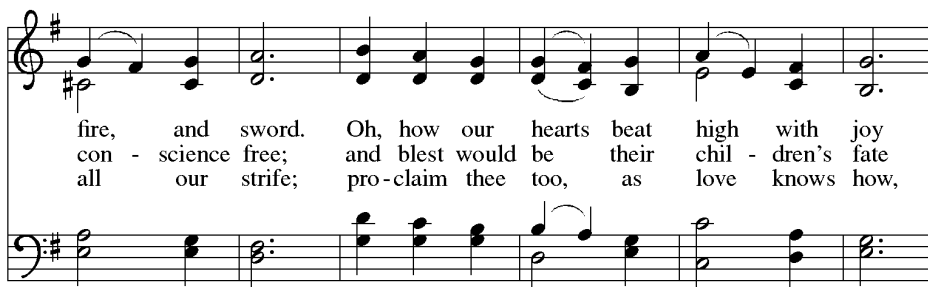
**The Law** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: I fail to stand up and confess Jesus Christ is Lord.

**The Gospel** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Day by day, confessing Jesus is Lord, we fight the good fight of faith sharing the good news that all might believe.

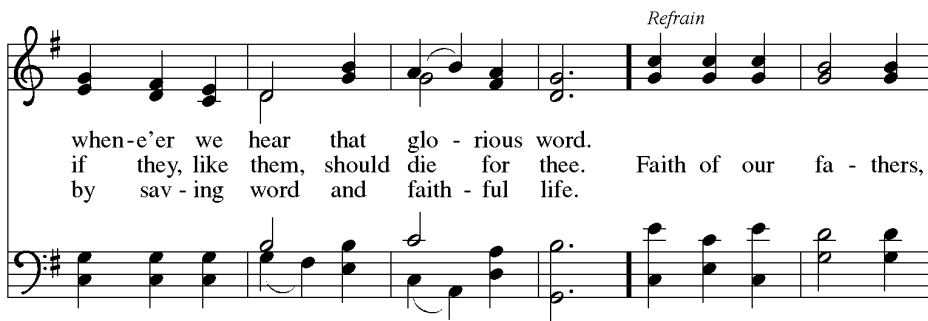
**On Discipleship:** Invite friends, family, associates, neighbors, and strangers to trust Jesus Christ. The humble witness by God's power can bring many to Him. What is your take away for your walk with Christ?



1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,  
 2 The mar - tyrs, chained in pris - ons dark, were still in heart and  
 3 Faith of our fa - thers! We will love both friend and foe in



fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
 con - science free; and blest would be their chil - dren's fate  
 all our strife; pro - claim thee too, as love knows how,



when - e'er we hear that glo - rious word.  
 if they, like them, should die for thee. Faith of our fa - thers,  
 by sav - ing word and faith - ful life.



ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.



## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**C: We believe in Him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

*Ephesians 1:13-14*

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.*

**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.**

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith:

**C: pray in the Holy Spirit.** *Jude 20*

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

**C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.** *Jude 21*

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

**C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

*2 Corinthians 5:17*

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3*

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *2 Corinthians 13:11*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## **PRAYER**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

P: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

P: Lord our rock, you are our foundation in Jesus Christ, your Son, whom we confess as the living God. Prepare your church for its mission in bearing witness to Christ, both here at home and throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Prayers conclude:*

P: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

## **SENDING**

## **THE BLESSING**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

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. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

## "We Praise You, O God"

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1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;  
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;  
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.  
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

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**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Terry and Trish Ratchford in honor of their grandchildren, Alex and Olivia Berghello.

## PARISH NEWS

**WORSHIP SERVICES:** In-person worship for the 10:30 service is being held at limited capacity. For those who are unable to attend due to personal circumstances or choose to refrain from gatherings, please pray on-line using one of the streaming options available: Facebook, YouTube or from the church website. As we continue in these days of the pandemic, changes to the service will be observed to do our best to be safe while gathering. *Please note that facemasks are required to be worn indoors while in public per a mandate by the state.*

**EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE:** The Congregational Council has voted to resume the 8:30 worship service in-person on **September 13**.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** An on-line Sunday School lesson will be held via Zoom Sunday mornings at 9:00. Please email Steve Laws at [stephenclaws@gmail.com](mailto:stephenclaws@gmail.com) to sign up.

**SPROUTS:** Sprouts will resume their fall youth group *meetings via zoom for the month of September*. We will continue our schedule of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of every month. Our upcoming meetings will be on **September 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **September 16<sup>th</sup>**. Amy will email the zoom link the week of each meeting. If you are not receiving Amy's emails, please contact her at [amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org).

**ROOTS OUTING:** On Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, the Roots Youth Group will meet at **Adventure Landing at 6:30pm** for a round of mini golf. A snack and drink will be

provided. Parents of Roots youth, please continue to check your email for updates from Amy for additional information. If you are not receiving Amy's emails, please contact her at [amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org).

**BIBLE STUDY WITH BISHOP SMITH:** Have you been missing your adult Sunday school class? Or maybe you wanted more after the synod's summertime journey through Matthew? Join this first-ever synod wide study of the Gospel of Mark led by Bishop Smith every Wednesday in September and October, beginning 9/9, from 7-8pm. The online class will be taught via Zoom. If interested, please email Kim at [churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org) and she will forward the link to register.

**WOMEN'S FALL BOOK CLUB:** The women's fall book club will meet on Thursday, **October 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 6 pm at the picnic pavilion. If you are interested in attending, please contact Amy at [amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org). Book title TBD.

**CAM FOOD DRIVE:** The fellowship has graciously donated **599 bags** of food to Crisis Assistance Ministry since April, thanks be to God! The collection continues as the need is still great in Gaston County. Let us help all we can!

**FACE MASKS:** Thanks be to God for Kay Moretz and for her team of seven making face masks for our fellowship. *If anyone still needs or would like a facemask, please contact Kay.*

**HOME COMMUNIONS:** If you or your family are interested in receiving Communion in your home, please contact Pastor Michael at 704-787-6439 to set up an agreeable time for him to visit.

**TITHES & OFFERINGS:** There are several options to send in your tithes & offerings each week. You can utilize your offering envelopes (or a regular envelope) to mail or drop off in the locked mailbox at educational building. Or you can give on-line through our church website: [lutheranchapelchurch.org](http://lutheranchapelchurch.org), top right-hand corner "give" which is a link to Easy Tithe. Any questions or concerns call our Treasurer, Ed Robinson.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY:** We are in the process of updating the church directory. Please email Kim at [churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org) with any changes. Thank you!

## **DAILY PRAYER**

**EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (Psalm 1:2)** A prayer list, daily lessons 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 eBook format, daily e-mail, or podcast. Visit [odb.org/subscribe](http://odb.org/subscribe). Fill out a prayer card to share or notify the church office with concerns.

**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, B.T. Bradley, Donna Carpenter, Jerry Carpenter, Hunter Clark, Tonya Dowdy, Lynda Ellington, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Helen Hoffman, Henry Hoffman, Dru Huffstickler, Alfred Lineberger, Robert Park, Betty Petty, Terry Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Fran Rice, Joan Riddle, Barbara Robinson, Bill Robinson, and Ed Robinson.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Ruth Benoy, Vera Beutler, Baby Ellis Brown, Amelia Edwards, Garry and Carole Farmer, Jamison Franklin, Harriet Grantham, Frieda and Shelton Harper, Travis Hogue, Mary Jackson, Paula Kadel, Ernie Kincaid, Dave and Crystal Lanning, Suzanne Ledford, Bill McCullen, Lee Norris, Sam & Lara Rasanen, Paul Reaves, Craig Rooney, Pat Rudisill, Martin Salois, Pastor Peter Setzer, Charlene Sorenson, Jim Warren, Dana Williams, and Lulu Zizak.

### **WEEK 35: AUGUST 23, 2020 to AUGUST 30, 2020**

**08/23** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 6—Evening Reading: Psalms 113, 114, 115  
**08/24** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:1-19—Evening Reading: Psalms 116, 117, 118  
**08/25** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:20-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 119:1-88  
**08/26** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 8—Evening Reading: Psalms 119:89-176  
**08/27** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 9—Evening Reading: Psalms 120, 121, 122  
**08/28** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-18—Evening Reading: Psalms 123, 124, 125  
**08/29** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:19-33—Evening Reading: Psalms 126, 127, 128  
**08/30** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:1-16—Evening Reading: Psalms 129, 130, 131

**Song Of Praise**      “*God Himself Is Present*”      LBW #249

### **Next Sunday, AUGUST 30, 2020**

9:00 Zoom Sunday School: Mark 5:1-20  
10:30 Service of the Word: Matthew 16:21-28 ~ “*Living Conflict*”

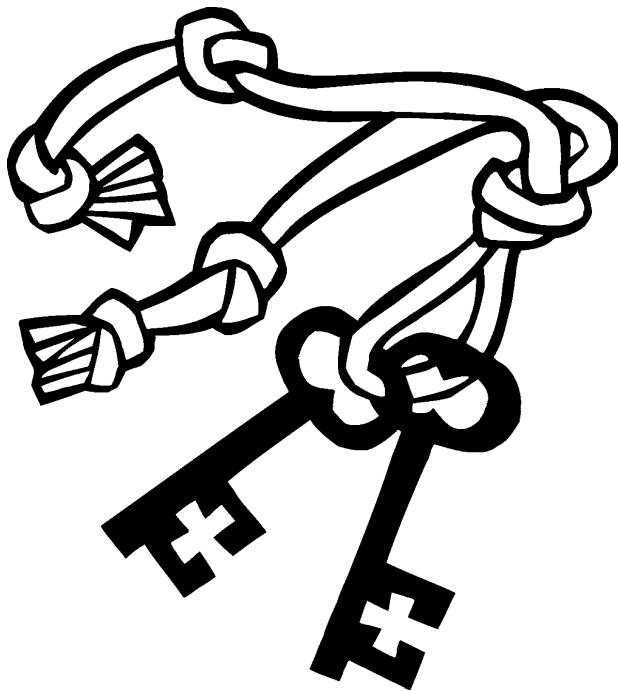
Note: *daily*Lectio.net provides the complete Revised Common Lectionary for both Sunday and daily lessons.

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



**CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 - SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020**

<b>Sun-23</b>	9:00 am	Sunday School via Zoom
	10:30 am	Worship Service ~ in-person and streamed
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Pavilion)
<b>Mon-24</b>	8:30 am	Preschool ~ Fall Session begins
<b>Tues-25</b>	9:00 am	Preschool
<b>Wed-26</b>	9:00 am	Preschool
<b>Thur-27</b>	9:00 am	Preschool





*We are so happy you joined us for worship this morning.  
Please fill out the information below and leave this page in the pew  
following the service. Thank you!*

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Member    \_\_\_\_\_ Visitor    \_\_\_\_\_ Desire a call from the Pastor

**Prayer Request:** \_\_\_\_\_

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