

# LUTHERAN CHAPEL



**EPHESIANS 5:21-6:4 AND MARK 6:14-29**

***“MARTYRDOM OF JOHN THE BAPTIST”***

*In graphic detail, the way of the Cross is recorded in the martyrdom of John and in all those martyred for the sake of sharing Christ in a broken world.*

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

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**SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER**

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.*  
*\* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

**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,

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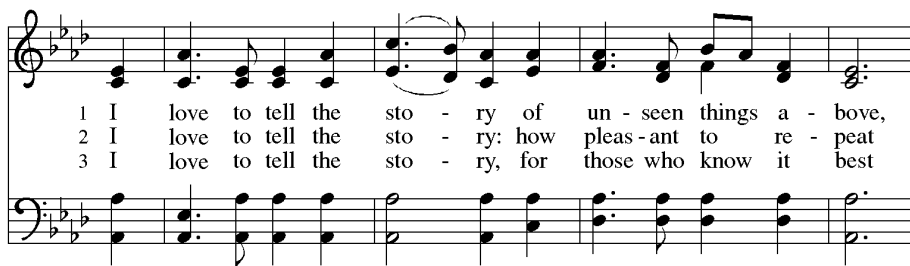
**C: This is the house of God, this is the gate of heaven!**

P: Surely the Lord is in this place.

**C: This is the house of God, this is the gate of heaven!**

P: Oh, come let us worship!

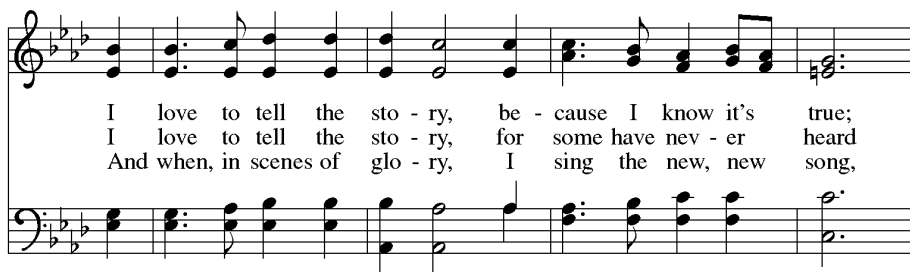
**C: Oh, come let us worship! Oh, come let us worship! Oh, come let us worship!**



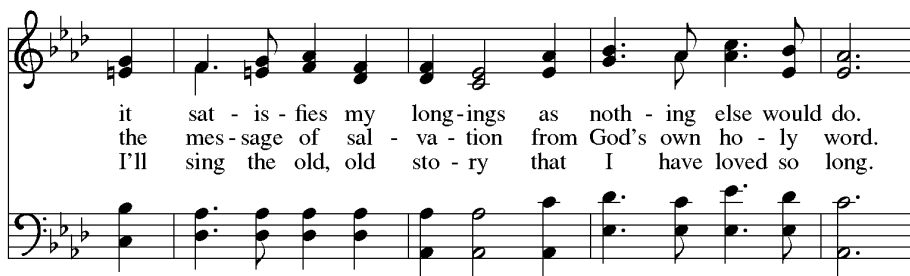
1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911  
 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, from you 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, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### FIRST LESSON

#### AMOS 7:7-15

*Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.*

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line  
in the midst of my people Israel;  
I will never again pass them by;

<sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,  
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,  
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said,

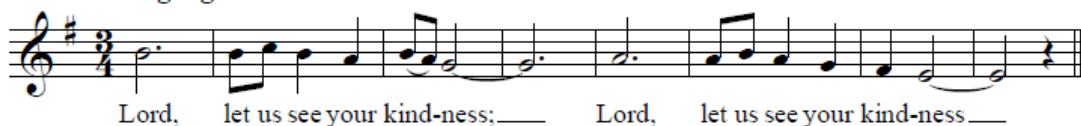
'Jeroboam shall die by the sword,  
and Israel must go into exile  
away from his land.' "

<sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Congregational Refrain:**

1. Let us hear what our God proclaims:  
Peace to the people of God  
Salvation is near to the ones who fear Him.

**Refrain:**

2. Kindness and truth, justice and peace;  
Truth shall spring up as the water from the earth,  
Justice shall reign from the heavens.

**Refrain:**

3. The Lord will come and you shall know His love,  
Justice shall walk in His pathways,  
Salvation the gift that He brings.

**Refrain:**

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**STORY OF SALVATION LESSON****EPHESIANS 5:21-6:4**

*Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. A home built on Christ serves and loves one another. While all fall short, this is still our ideal.*

<sup>21</sup>**Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.**

<sup>22</sup>Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Savior. <sup>24</sup>Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, <sup>27</sup>so as to present the church to himself in splendor, without a spot or wrinkle or

anything of the kind — yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish.<sup>28</sup> In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.<sup>29</sup> For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church,<sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body.<sup>31</sup> For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.<sup>32</sup> This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church.<sup>33</sup> Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband.

<sup>1</sup>Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup>Honor your father and mother — this is the first commandment with a promise: <sup>3</sup>so that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.

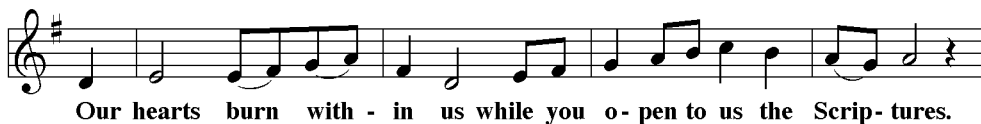
<sup>4</sup>And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

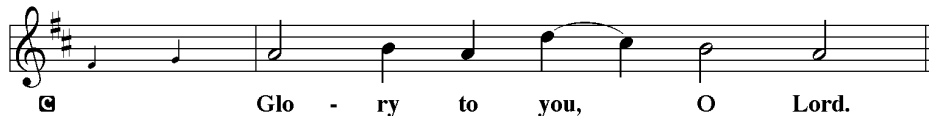
*John 1:1, Luke 24:32*



**\*GOSPEL****MARK 6:14-29**

*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.*

Response after the announcement:



*As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.*

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup>But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her.

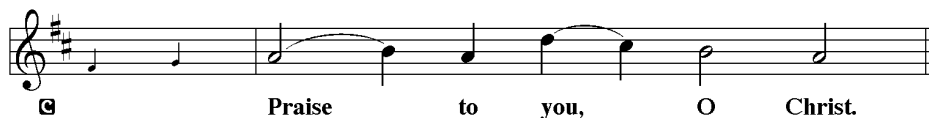
<sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

<sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,

<sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer."

<sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.





## MESSAGE

*“Martyrdom of John the Baptist”*

On the Christian Household

### Martyrdom

***The Law*** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: So often I fail to stand up for the truth of God. I can so quickly fall into little compromises with the brokenness within myself and within the world.

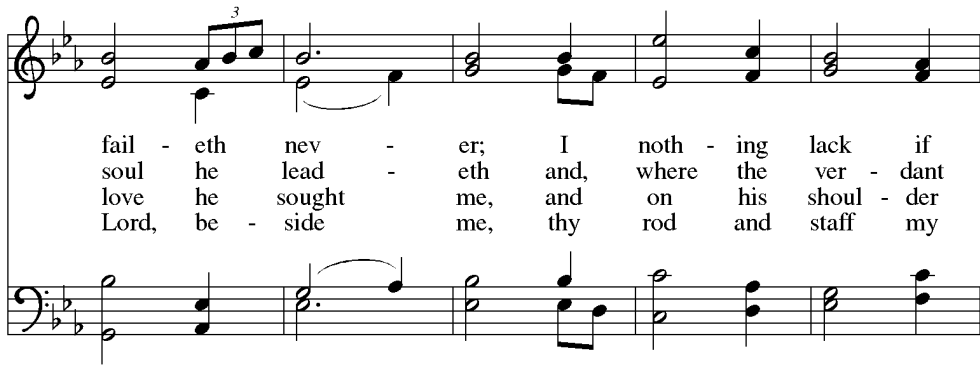
***The Gospel*** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: The purpose of the Lord will not be frustrated by evil kings, evil religions, or our sins. The Truth will prevail and we can stand with Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

***So What?*** Remember the martyrs. Consider listening to the Voice of the Martyrs Radio podcast. Pray for the persecuted faithful throughout the world especially in China and Muslim countries.

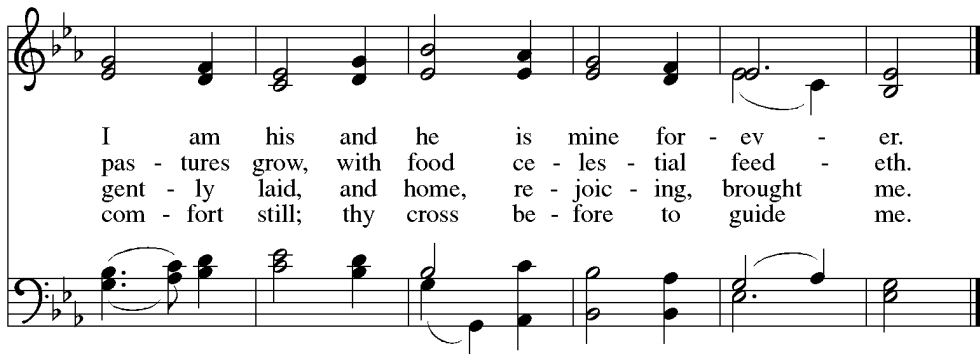




1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

## 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.**

## ANTHEM

*“Come Jesus, Holy Son of God”*

## CHANCEL CHOIR

G.F. Handel / arr. Hal Hopson

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Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God, come.  
Holy Son of God,  
Thy truth unseal. Thy love reveal.  
Thy truth unseal. Thy love reveal.

Lord, hear Thou in mercy our prayer to Thee.

Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God, come.  
Holy Son of God, come in Thy might.  
Send forth Thy light, come in might,  
Come send forth Thy light.

Lord, hear Thou in mercy, our prayer to Thee.

Come, Jesus, O Holy Son of God.  
For Thee we long. Hear Thou our prayer.  
For Thee we long. O hear Thou our prayer.  
To Thee be glory now and evermore.

Lord, hear Thou in mercy our prayer to Thee.

Come, Jesus Holy Son of God.  
To Thee be glory,  
To Thee be glory evermore.

## 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: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond* **Hear our prayers.**

*Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.*

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**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

*"Faith of Our Fathers"*

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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,

*Refrain*

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.

## **\*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 Buddy Carothers in memory of Elizabeth Anne Carothers.

## **PARISH NEWS**

**ROOTS CAR WASH:** The Roots youth group will be hosting a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, **July 17<sup>th</sup>** from 9am-12pm in the church parking lot for church members. The Roots have set a goal to raise \$500 to donate to the Lutheran Chapel Backpack Ministry. Please mark your calendars and help us reach this goal! (*Rainy Weather Makeup Day: July 31<sup>st</sup>*)

**GIRLS NIGHT OUT:** Women of the church, please join Amy for dinner and fellowship at Viva Tequis in Gastonia at 5:00 pm on Thursday, July 22. Please let her know if you are able to come by Monday, July 19. Hope to see you there!

**SPROUTS FAMILY PICNIC:** On Sunday, **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, the families of our Sprouts youth are invited to a picnic and a kickball game at the church pavilion immediately following the 10:30 service. Feel free to bring a change of clothes. Please let Amy know if your Sprouts family is able to attend by Monday, July 20th.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Johnny Carpenter is leading an in-person Sunday School prior to our full Sunday School re-opening in September. It's being held each week at 9:30 in the Memorial Chapel. *Amy and Pastor Michael would like to encourage the Roots youth and their families to attend.*

## **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).

*To share prayer concerns or updates on the prayer list you can call the church office, call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or call our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493). Intercessions will be for a month and then removed unless requested to continue.*

**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** BT & Pauline Bradley, Kori Bradley, Jerry & Shirley Carpenter, Steve Clark, Brinkley Finch, Kathy Finch, Pr. Peter Homovich, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Ann Marie Lentz, Betty Petty, Bill Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Debi Jean Wankel

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Dale Abrahamson, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Lee Brinkley, Taylor Brinkley, Deborah Carpenter, Garry & Carole Farmer, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, Linda Gay, Sherry Hester, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Suzanne Ledford, Ann McClure, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Jack Thornburg, Judi Truesdail, Charlene Sorenson, George Sung, and Claudia Zibell

### **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 28: July 11 to July 18, 2021**

**07/11** Morning Reading: Acts 17:1-15—Evening Reading: Psalms 1, 2, 3  
**07/12** Morning Reading: Acts 17:16-34—Evening Reading: Psalms 4, 5, 6  
**07/13** Morning Reading: Acts 18—Evening Reading: Psalms 7, 8, 9  
**07/14** Morning Reading: Acts 19:1-20—Evening Reading: Psalms 10, 11, 12  
**07/15** Morning Reading: Acts 19:21-41—Evening Reading: Psalms 13, 14, 15  
**07/16** Morning Reading: Acts 20:1-16—Evening Reading: Psalms 16, 17  
**07/17** Morning Reading: Acts 20:17-38—Evening Reading: Psalms 18, 19  
**07/18** Morning Reading: Acts 21:1-17—Evening Reading: Psalms 20, 21, 22

**Song Of Praise**      “*Shout to the Lord*”      ELW #821

### **Next Sunday, July 18, 2021**

8:30 Morning Prayer: Philippians 2:5-11 and Mark 6:30-34, 53-56  
9:30 Sunday School in Chapel - Study of Hebrews  
10:30 Holy Communion: Philippians 2:5-11 and Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 ~

“*Jesus’ Compassion*”

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**CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 11 - SATURDAY, JULY 17, 2021**

**Sun-11**    8:30 am    Early Worship w/ Communion (Chapel)  
              9:30 am    Sunday School (Chapel)  
                         **Sprouts Zoom Sunday School**  
              10:30 am    Worship (Sanctuary)  
              **4:00 pm    Congregational Council Meeting (Chapel)**  
              8:00 pm    Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

**Mon-12**    No Preschool

**Tues-13**    8:30 am    Preschool  
              10:00 am    Clothing Closet Workday

**Wed-14**    8:30 am    Preschool

**Thur-15**    8:30 am    Preschool

**Sat-17**    **9:00 am    Roots Car Wash**