

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11 AND MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

“JESUS’ COMPASSION”

The lost are like sheep without a shepherd: anxious, purposeless, and stressed. His compassion, His way, His love gives a transcendent purpose, a confidence and peace that this broken world cannot take away.

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

GATHER

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

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

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.

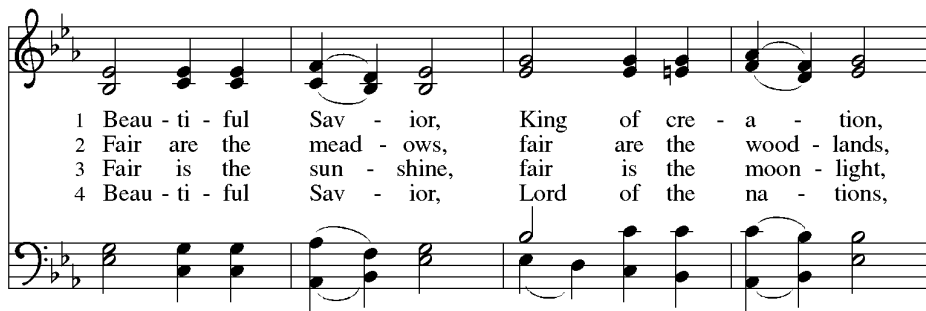
P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

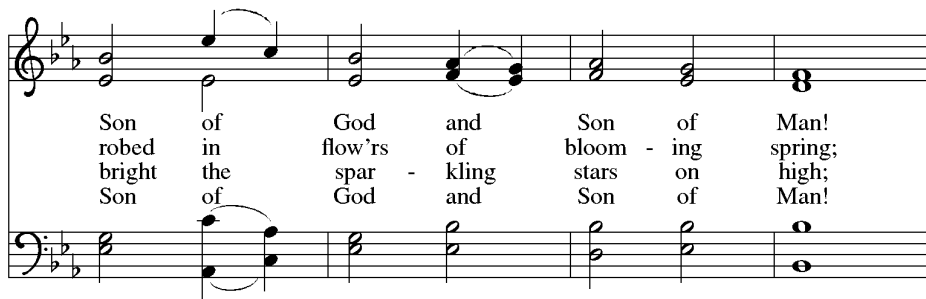
C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

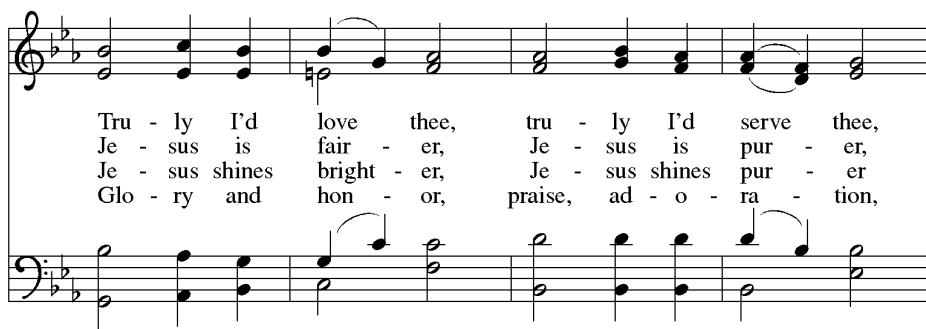
C: Amen.



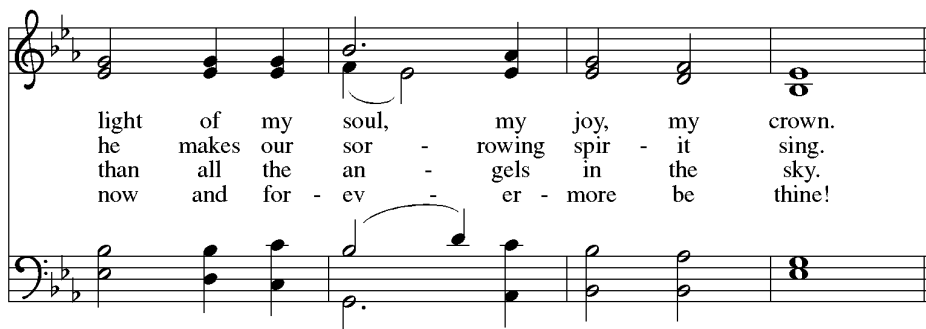
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more the be thine!

*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

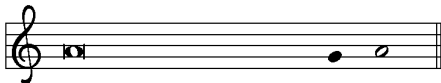
2 Corinthians 13:13

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



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



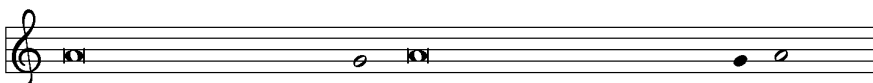
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



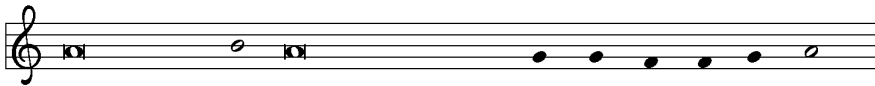
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

*THIS IS THE FEAST

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

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 23:1-6

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David’s line to save Israel and Judah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away,

and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: The Word of the Lord.

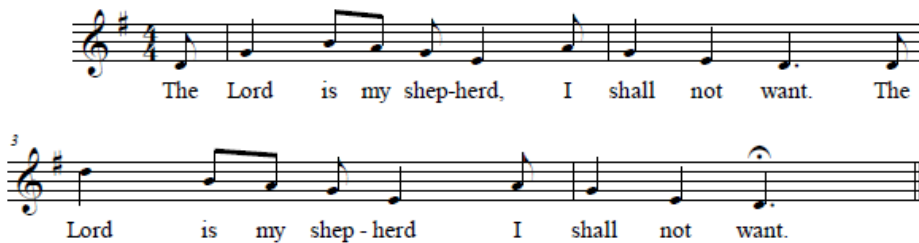
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Randall Sensemeier

Congregational refrain:



1. The pastures are fresh where You give me rest; Calm waters lift up my soul.
You lead me on paths that are righteous and good; Your name is hallowed by all.

Refrain:

2. Though I am brought down to the valley deep, No evil great will I fear;
The strength of Your rod and the pow'r of Your staff Will give me comfort and cheer.

Refrain:

3. A feast You have held in the sight of foes; Oil has anointed my head;
My cup overflows with Your mercy and love: With blessings great I am fed.

Refrain:

4. Today and for all of my days to come Goodness and love follow me,
And now I will dwell in the house of the Lord As long as life there shall be.

Refrain:

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

The mind of Christ is revealed and one of the earliest Christian songs points us to His humility and exaltation. Let us receive the mind of Christ within and among us.

⁵**Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,**

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death —

even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:13



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



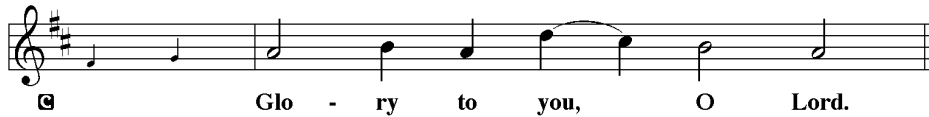
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL

MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

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

Response after the announcement:



When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

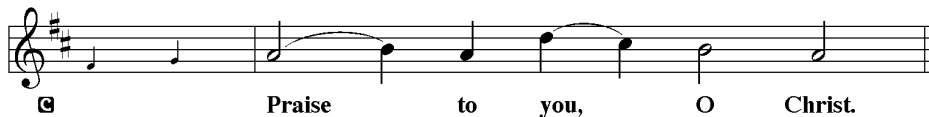
³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught.

³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat.

⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“Jesus’ Compassion”

On the Mind of Christ

Where Do You See Yourself in this Story?

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: I don’t rest in the Lord. I don’t seek Jesus. I ignore His teaching.

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: Jesus gathers all who believe to give rest, to share His Word, and to practice compassion for one another.

So What? Do the random act of kindness. Ask God to take away the hard heart and to practice wise compassion towards others. Thank God for the compassion He gives me.





1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"



Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

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***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.

ANTHEM

"Sing to the Lord a New Song"

CHANCEL CHOIR

Robert Benson

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Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing to the Lord and bless his name; proclaim his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among the peoples.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

He is to be feared above all gods.

He is to be feared above all gods.

Splendor and majesty are before him.

Strength and glory are in his sanctuary, in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name,
bring offerings and come into his courts.
Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;
Let the whole earth tremble before him.

Let the heav'ns rejoice, and let the earth be glad.
They will sing before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth;
He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.

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 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.

THE MEAL AND SENDING

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n 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.

***THE 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 LORD'S PRAYER**

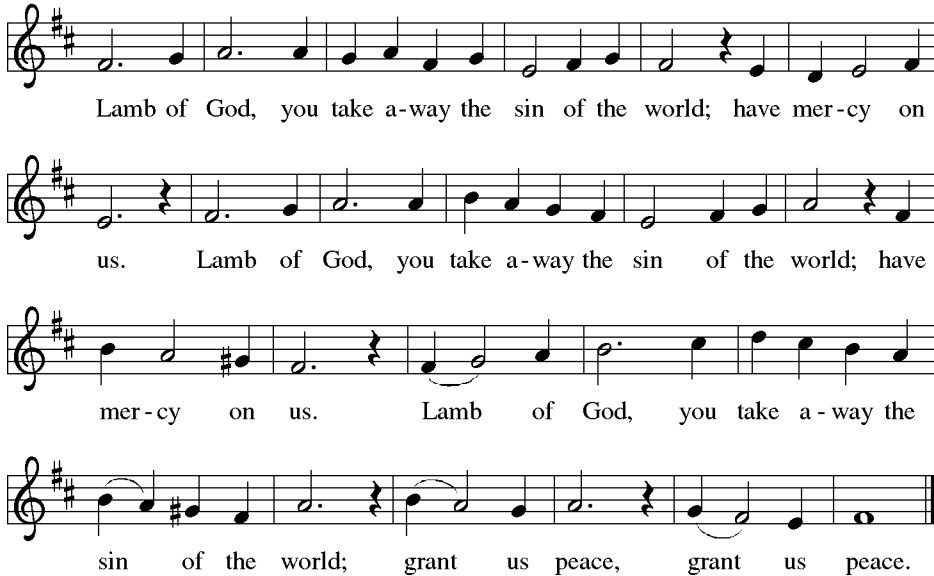
Matthew 6:9-13

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.**

*LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND INDIVIDUAL DISMISSAL

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

COMMUNION HYMNS

#263, 779

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Ken, Ann Marie, Zac and Melissa Lentz in memory of Thad and in honor of Ken's birthday.

PARISH NEWS

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!

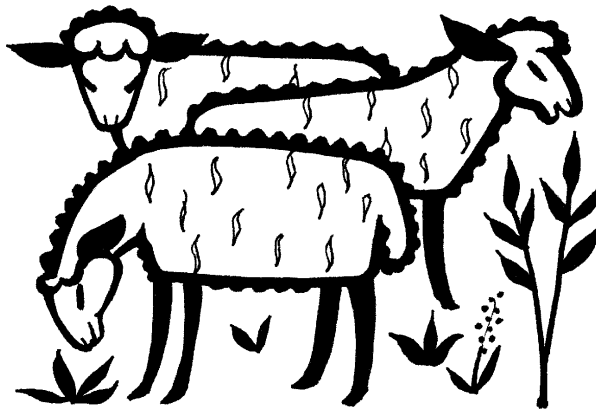
NEWSLETTER: Articles for the August Newsletter are due by Thursday, July 22.

SPROUTS FAMILY PICNIC: On Sunday, **July 25**, 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 19.

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.*

OWLS: Join Amy and Josh for dinner and fellowship at Pita Wheel in downtown Gastonia at 6:00 on Thursday, **August 5**. Please let Amy know if you are able to attend by Monday, August 2.

CHOIR RETREAT: Please join us for our *Annual Christmas Choir Retreat* on Friday, **September 17** from 7pm-10pm and Saturday, **September 18** from 10am-2pm. Supper will be provided Friday at 6:00. Hope to see you there!



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.

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, 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, **Leslie Honig**, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Suzanne Ledford, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Jack Thornburg, Judi Truesdail, Charlene Sorenson, George Sung, and Claudia Zibell

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 29: July 18 to July 25, 2021

- 07/18** Morning Reading: Acts 21:1-17—Evening Reading: Psalms 20, 21, 22
07/19 Morning Reading: Acts 21:18-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 23, 24, 25
07/20 Morning Reading: Acts 22—Evening Reading: Psalms 26, 27, 28
07/21 Morning Reading: Acts 23:1-15—Evening Reading: Psalms 29, 30
07/22 Morning Reading: Acts 23:16-35—Evening Reading: Psalms 31, 32
07/23 Morning Reading: Acts 24—Evening Reading: Psalms 33, 34
07/24 Morning Reading: Acts 25—Evening Reading: Psalms 35, 36
07/25 Morning Reading: Acts 26—Evening Reading: Psalms 37, 38, 39

Song Of Praise “*Awesome God*” W&P #13

Next Sunday, July 25, 2021

- 8:30 Holy Communion: Hebrews 11:1-16, 12:1-2 and John 6:1-21
9:30 Sunday School in Chapel - Study of Hebrews
10:30 Service of the Word: Hebrews 11:1-16, 12:1-2 and John 6:1-21 ~

“Feeding of the 5,000”

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, JULY 18 - SATURDAY, JULY 24, 2021

Sun-18 8:30 am Early Worship (Chapel)
 9:30 am Sunday School (Chapel)
 10:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
 6:00 pm Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Mon-19 No Preschool

Tues-20 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday

Wed-21 8:30 am Preschool

Thur-22 8:30 am Preschool
 5:00 pm **Girls' Night Out @ Viva Tequis**