LUTHERAN CHAPEL



MALACHI 4:1-6 AND LUKE 10:38-42

"MARYAND MARTHA"

Who are you in this narrative? May the LORD give us wisdom to be a Mary sitting at the feet of Jesus then a Martha doing His will.

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LUTHERAN CHAPEL JULY 17, 2022 6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

BOLD indicates congregational responses.

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

GATHER

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DEDICATION OF SNUFFERS AND ADVENT WREATH

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

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.



Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt. Music: LAUDES DOMINI, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

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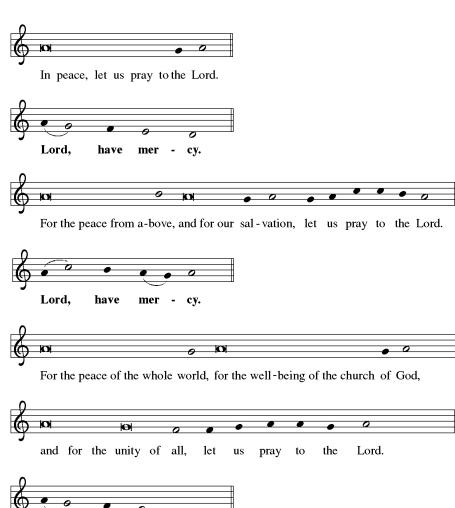
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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

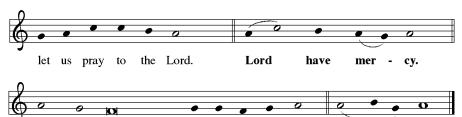
C: And also with you.

*THE KYRIE Mark 10:47





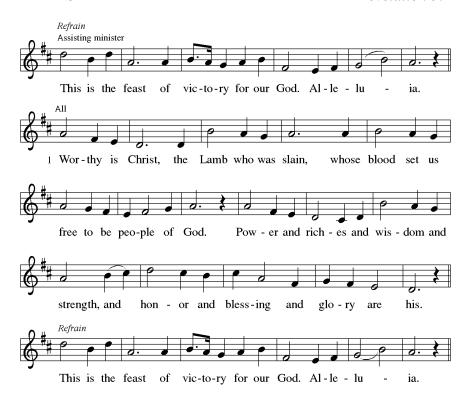
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

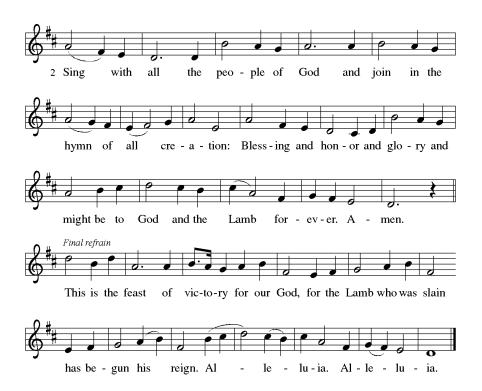


Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

*THIS IS THE FEAST

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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

MALACHI 4:1-6

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day

when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴Remember the teaching of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵Lo, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. ⁶He will turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15 Carolyn Jennings



Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;
they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.
In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord.

Refrain:

2. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word. They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Refrain:

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This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:13



*GOSPEL LUKE 10:38-42

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

Response after the announcement:



During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.

³⁸Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"Mary and Martha"

On the Prophet Malachi (A Word on Minor Prophets Who Are Far From "Minor")
Where is Your Focus?

The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: I do not have time for this. I am too busy to listen to Jesus.

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus gives us the opportunity to receive His Word and Spirit each day. Receive Christ now, the better portion is for all who trust in Him.

So What? Schedule time for talking and listening to Jesus day by day. Remember the Ten Commandment order of priorities - GOD first, then country, family, neighbor, and stuff.



Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847 Music: EVENTIDE, William H. Monk, 1823–1889

*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

"O Christ, Surround Me"

CHANCEL CHOIR

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God be the love to search and keep me; God be the prayer to move my voice; God be the strength to now uphold me, O Christ, surround me, O Christ, surround me.

Bind to myself the name of Holy, great cloud of witnesses enfold; prophets, apostles, angels witness, O Christ, surround me, O Christ, surround me.

Brightness of sun and glow of moonlight, flashing of lightning, strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of planet.

O Christ, surround me, O Christ, surround me.

Walking behind to hem my journey, going ahead to light my way, from beneath, above, and all ways, O Christ, O Christ, O Christ surround me.

Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me: O Christ, surround me. O Christ, surround me.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: 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.

AM: 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

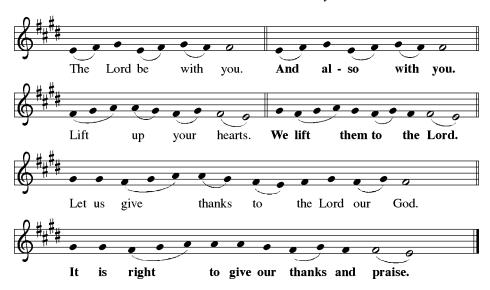
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

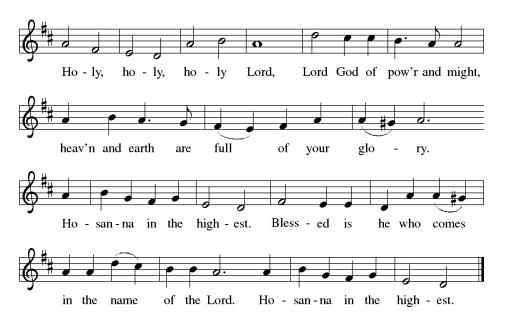
THE MEAL AND SENDING

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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



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



Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

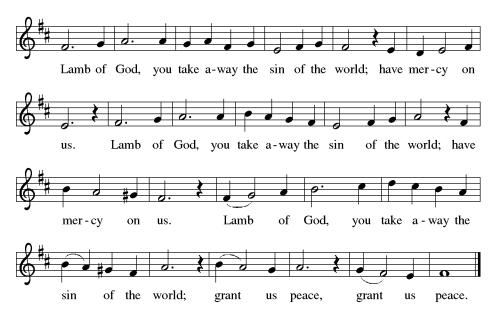
Matthew 6:9-13

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



*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Taste and see the LORD is good (Psalm 34:8)!

Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.

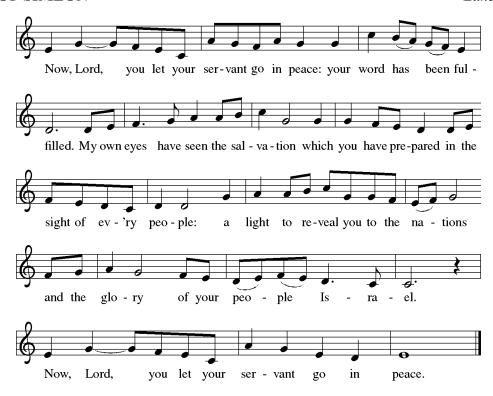
P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

SENDING

*THE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.



*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen

*BENEDICTION



Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt. Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818–1888; James G. Walton, 1821–1905, refrain

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant	Kim Rundzieher
Organist	Lisa Burch
Music Director	
Music Director	Jeanette Myers
Acolyte	Luke Hoffman
Crucifer	Will Clark
Lector	Pam Overcash
Assistant Minister	Mark Thornburg
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman

PARISH NEWS

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN: Please join us for a time of fellowship immediately following today's worship service. We will have lemonade and sweet treats for everyone to enjoy!

NEWSLETTER: Articles for the August newsletter are due **Tuesday**, **August**, **19**.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: The Social Ministry Committee will be collecting donations for school supplies **today and again next Sunday, July 24**th. Every year we are able to purchase supplies for children that will help begin their school year with the basic needs. Please come prepared with your cash donations as *children will be collecting in school boxes at the end of our worship service*. You may also write a check payable to Lutheran Chapel marked for <u>school</u> supplies. We thank you so much for supporting the children in our community.

BACKPACK MINISTRY: The Love Offering for July is The Weekend Backpack Program. This program sends food home with students who may have no food at home over the weekend. They pick up their food at school on Friday afternoon and have things such as fruit cups, crackers, cereal, spaghetti, and a variety of other foods to eat for the weekend. The Outreach Committee manages this program for our church by picking up the food from the warehouse, preparing each student's bag of food, then delivering it to the school. Our committee is running low on funds and needs your help. It costs about \$323 to feed one elementary student and \$385 for one middle school/high school student per school year. Please help us to be able to continue this important food program for the children of Gaston County for the coming school year. Be sure to write Backpack Program in the memo line if you write a check. Thank you for your support.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR ROGER & JEANETTE MYERS: For over four decades, Roger and Jeanette have served Lutheran Chapel as our leaders of sacred music, choirs, and instrumental music. They have been a force for the good among us and shared their love of God doing so much among us to the glory of God alone (soli Deo gloria)! Please plan to come for a reception on Sunday, July 31 immediately following worship to honor and thank them for their service.

CLOTHES CLOSET GIVEAWAY: The Outreach Committee will be hosting a Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday**, **August 6**. Please prayerfully consider helping us in this service to our community.

WORSHIP TIME SURVEY: Back in January, our Council moved Sunday School/Bible Study to 9AM and the Service to 10AM with the plan to consider how these times affect our gathering together Sunday by Sunday. A worship survey for feedback was sent by email and is included as an insert in today's bulletin. *Only one response per member is to be given*. Once all replies are received, a report to the Congregation will be shared and decisions made about going into the fall for the best meeting times going forward.

"THE HUT": Parents and volunteers are making a plan and working a plan towards up dating our old Scout/Prayer Hut to become **The Hut** for youth and children ministries among us. More information will be forthcoming as this space is used for renewed ministries among us.

GOD'S VISION FOR THE FUTURE AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL: There comes a time for renewal and revival for every church. After a slow return from the days of the COVID pandemic and recognizing the challenges of this current context, our Council has moved to hire Dr. Keith Copeland, a church consultant recommended by Bishop Timothy Smith, to guide our fellowship in a process towards visioning together as we trust God and move into the future together.



DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: B.T. Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Larry Collins, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Pr. Peter & Nancy Homovich, Betty Petty, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bettina Royston, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry & Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Brooks, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Tucker Doyne, Brooke Ensley, Craig Evanoff, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Ann Gaddy, Brenda Heins, Denise Imhoff, Paula Kadel, Jackie Mango, Joan McCauley, Lee Norris, Rita Pasour, Renee Rice, Anna Rider, Dakota Shuford, and Charlene Sorenson

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (Ephesians 6:18)

Sunday:DJ WankelThursday:Myra WeaverMonday:Fred WardFriday:Jenny WilliamsonTuesday:Suzie WardSaturday:Sid Woody

Wednesday: Gene Weaver

FEAST OF PSALMS: Psalter Book One

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	1, 2, 3	7, 8, 9	13, 14, 15	19, 20, 21	25, 26, 27	31, 32, 33	37, 38, 39
PM	4, 5, 6	10, 11, 12	16, 17, 18	22, 23, 24	28, 29, 30	34, 35, 36	40, 41

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 29: July 17 to July 24, 2022

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

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

Songs of Praise: "Beautiful Savior" ELW #838

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" All Creation Sings #1097

Wednesday, July 20 ~ Evening Prayer & Fellowship

The Rule of Faith: "Jesus Christ Rose Again"

Sunday, July 24 ~ Service of the Word

1 Maccabees 3:16-26 and Luke 11:1-13 - "Persistence in Prayer"

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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 17 - SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2022

Sun-17	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	Bible Study/Sunday School Worship (Sanctuary) Lemonade on the Lawn Congregational Council Meeting (CR) Chancel Choir Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Tues-19	8:30 am 10:00 am	Preschool Clothing Closet Workday
Wed-20	8:30 am 7:00 pm	Preschool Evening Service & Fellowship (Chapel)
Thur-21	8:30 am	Preschool