

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



ACTS 2:1-11 AND MARK 10:2-16

"On Holy Marriage"

The journey of a life – receiving life and sustenance from the LORD, giving oneself to another and receiving her as beloved – holy marriage is a covenant that forms the backbone of human community.

**HOLY COMMUNION
OCTOBER 6, 2024**

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OCTOBER 6, 2024
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

GATHER

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

“Classical Trio”

Gordon Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

ELW #632

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

***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

Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy.

Christe eleison: Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy.

***GLORY TO GOD**

Luke 2:14, John 1:29

Refrain:

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Verse 1:

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Verse 2:

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain*

Verse 3:

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 2:18-24 pg. 2

PSALM 8



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O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!
When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers the moon and stars
You have set in their courses, what are mere mortals that You should be mindful of them,
Human beings that You should care for them?

Refrain

Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor You crown them.
You have made them ride over the works of Your hands;
You have put all things under their feet:

Refrain

All flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

Refrain

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

ACTS 2:1-11

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴**All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.**

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene,

and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. The memory verse is in bold.

*Creation: Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + Kings and Prophets : Exile :
Restoration : 2nd Temple : +**JESUS** : Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:68

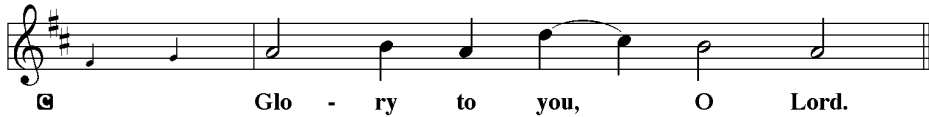
C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***GOSPEL**

MARK 10:2-16

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

Response after the announcement:



²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Coming of the Holy Spirit

On the Covenant of Holy Marriage

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: Marriage is just an old fashioned arrangement that no longer applies, right? Wrong.

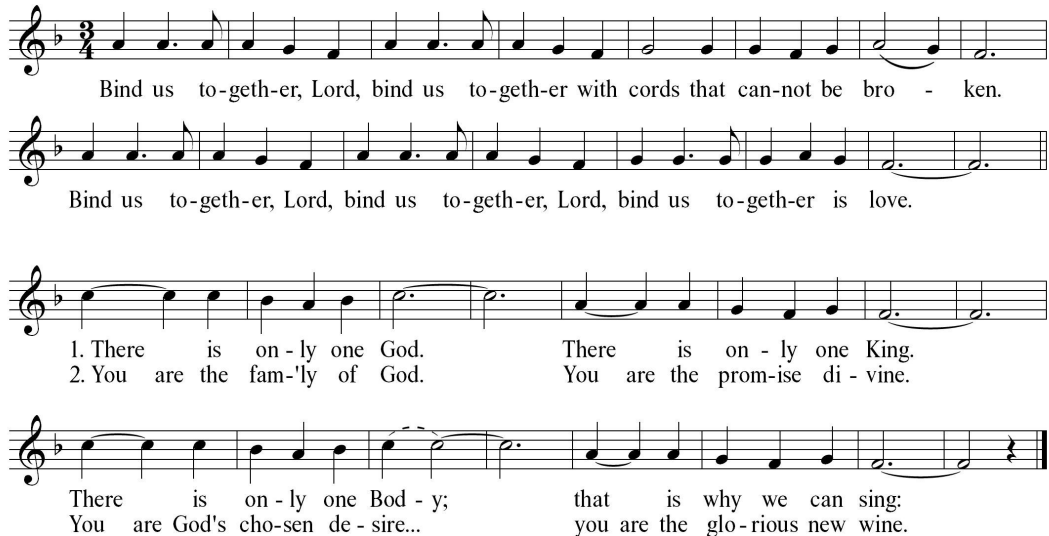
The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: Jesus reveals the divine will that marriage is holy, a gift from the LORD where two become one, loving and serving one another on the journey.

So What?: Contemplate the call of Christ on us. What about myself do I need to deny? Honor marriage. Respect the mystery of the image of God in each female and in each male.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

“Bind Us Together”

W&P# 18



Bind us to-geth-er, Lord, bind us to-geth-er with cords that can-not be bro - ken.

Bind us to-geth-er, Lord, bind us to-geth-er, Lord, bind us to-geth-er is love.

1. There is on - ly one God. There is on - ly one King.
2. You are the fam-'ly of God. You are the prom-ise di - vine.

There is on - ly one Bod - y; that is why we can sing:
You are God's cho-sen de - sire... you are the glo-rious new wine.

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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: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THE MEAL

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Bread for the World"

James W Shubert

***OFFERTORY**

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Psalm 51:10-12

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

(In Unison)

C: 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

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

***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 away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

***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. (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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

ELW #494

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;

for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
in the world to which you send us let your king-dom come, O Lord.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1-4 corresponding to the four parts. The score concludes with a final cadence in the Soprano and Alto parts.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855–1930, alt.

Music: OMNI DIE, *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1631; arr. William Smith Rockstro, 1823–1895

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Je - sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous

Lord. Em - man - u - el, God is with us, bless - ed Re -

deem - er, Liv - ing Word. Final Ending

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SENDING

*THE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

*SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people:

A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

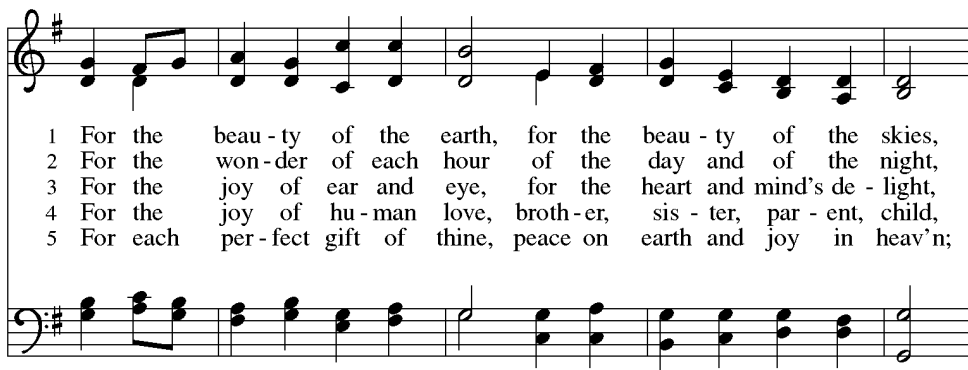
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

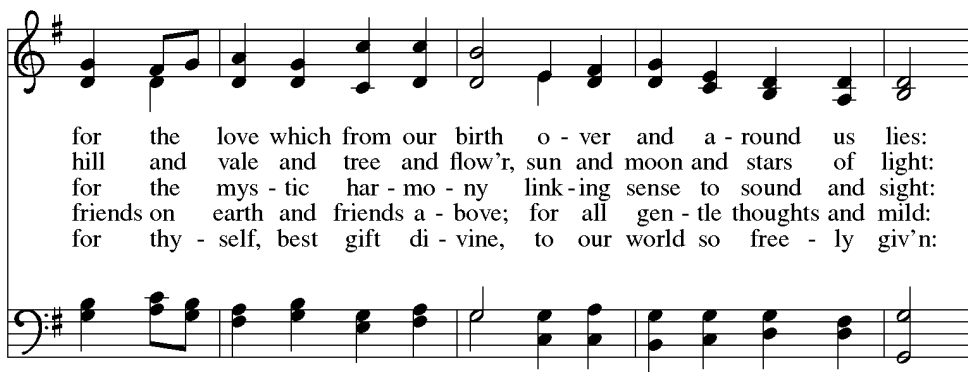
AM: Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

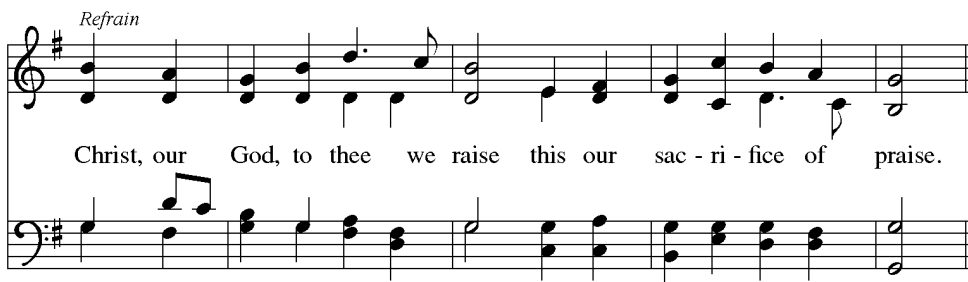


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Processional in B-flat"

Anthony Giamanc

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Josh, Amy and Walt Carpenter in honor of their 11th Wedding Anniversary.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibschi
Director of Music Ministries	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Norman Overcash
Lector	Pam Overcash
Acolyte	Elana Hoffman
Crucifer	Maddie Potter
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Tammy Royston
Council Members of the Month.....	Seth Myers and Adrian Thornburg

PARISH NEWS

GENERAL INFORMATION: 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 attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE: This QR code goes straight to the “Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



LOVE OFFERING FOR HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF: Our fellowship will be collecting a love offering to give through Samaritan’s Purse recovery efforts. Gifts will be matched up to \$2000 (seed money from the Emergency Family Fund) to double the impact of gifts received. Let us help our neighbors in the mountains.

ESTER CIRCLE: Ester Circle will meet in the Fellowship hall **Monday, October 7** at 10:00 am.

REBECCA CIRCLE: Rebecca Circle will meet **Monday, October 7** at 6:00 pm for a light dinner at Kay Mootz’s home: 132 Fites Creek Rd, Mt Holly. Meet at the church at 5:30 pm if you’d like to ride over on the church van.

CHURCH PICNIC: Held for the congregation on **Tuesday, October 15** at 6:00 pm.

OWLS: Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at **Shrimp Boat** on **Thursday, October 17** at 11:00 am.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE: The next clothing giveaway will be on **Saturday, October 19** from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Set up begins at 8:00 am.

OVER 60 LUNCHEON: Sponsored by WELCA. Please join us as we celebrate our members who are “Over 60” with a luncheon on **Sunday, October 27** immediately following the 10:00 am service in the Family Life Center. A wonderful catered lunch will be provided. Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for a time of food and fellowship.

CLOTHES CLOSET IN NEED: Any amount of donation will help. One t-shirt you haven’t worn in a year? Perfect! Two pairs of shorts that are now too big or too small? Fantastic! As always, any donation is greatly appreciated and will go towards helping the community around our church.

DAILY PRAYER

A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!: Each morning and evening, pray to the LORD. Sunrise, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalms 1*). *Claim the gift of God for yourself.*

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 41 October 6 to October 13, 2024

10/06 Morning Reading: Philippians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 26, 27
10/07 Morning Reading: Philippians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 28, 29
10/08 Morning Reading: Philippians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 30, 31
10/09 Morning Reading: Colossians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 32, 33
10/10 Morning Reading: Colossians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 34, 35, 36
10/11 Morning Reading: Colossians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 37, 38
10/12 Morning Reading: Colossians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 39, 40
10/13 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 41, 42

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Wanda Anthony, Braylon Beam, **Ron Behringer**, Steve Bell, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, **Barbara Peacock**, Doug Rhyne, Kay Robinson, Pat Robinson, Barbara Robinson, Joe Veale, and Gene & Myra Weaver.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: John Austin, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, **Mary Collins**, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, **Rick Knowls**, Bobby Myers, Rita Pasour, Josie Putnam, Joye Rankin, Randy Reel, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Becky Van Dyke, family of Phyllis Wellman, Anthony Wynn and the **People affected by the hurricane.**

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).

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Wednesday, October 9 ~ Evening Prayer Service

Psalm 43 "*Why Are You Cast Down O My Soul?*"

Thursday, October 10 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

Acts 2:1-11 "*On Holy Marriage*"

Sunday, September 13~ Antecommunion

Mark 10:17-31 "*You Know the Commandments*"

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, Oct 6	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:30 am	Chancel Choir (Fellowship Hall)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Monday, Oct 7	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Ester Circle (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 pm	Rebecca Circle - Kay Mootz's
Tuesday, Oct 8	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers
Wednesday, Oct 9	8:30 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Fall Vespers
Thursday, Oct 10	8:30 am	Preschool
	11:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 pm	Chosen Mission Group (Pav/Ch)
Friday, Oct 11	9:00 am	Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, Oct 12	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)