

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

## July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Service Music: ELW, Setting 8 (ELW, page 184)

Year A, Lectionary 17 (ELW, page 43)



As Solomon prays for wisdom, we seek to more deeply know the treasures of faith. In today's gospel Jesus offers everyday images that reveal to us the reign of God: a tree that becomes a sheltering home, yeast that penetrates and expands, a treasured pearl, a net that gains a great catch. Even as we seek the riches of God's reign, the great surprise is that God's grace finds us first!

## WELCOME!

Guests, we are glad you have joined us today! If you would like to receive contact from the pastor or welcoming committee following this worship service, please fill out a card from the pew slot and put it in the offering plate.

Children's Church takes place during our worship service. The children are dismissed after *Blessing the Children* and brought back to their families after the *Prayers of Intercession*.

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** – 8:55 a.m.

### **PRELUDE**

*The assembly rises in body or spirit to face the Processional Cross.*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
whose compassion endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin to God and look to God for mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Compassionate God, **C: We confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace.**

### **KYRIE**

*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. **C: Amen.**

### **GREETING**

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.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: Christ is in our midst. **C: He is and ever shall be.**

*The assembly is seated.*

### **BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN**

*This Little Light of Mine*

## WORD

### **FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12**

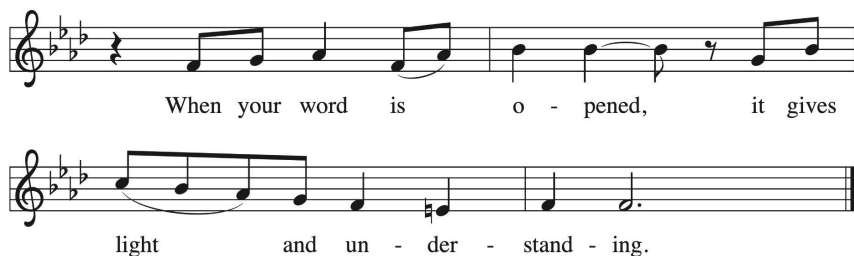
<sup>5</sup> At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." <sup>6</sup> And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today.

<sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup> And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. <sup>9</sup> Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup> God said to him, "Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup> I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you."

A: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALMODY: Psalm 119:129-136** (*read responsively*)



<sup>129</sup> Your decrees are wonderful;

therefore I obey them with all my heart.

<sup>130</sup> **When your word is opened it gives light;  
it gives understanding to the simple.**

<sup>131</sup> I open my mouth and pant  
because I long for your commandments.

<sup>132</sup> **Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
as you always do to those who love your name. [R]**

<sup>133</sup> Order my footsteps in your word;  
let no iniquity have dominion over me.

<sup>134</sup> **Rescue me from those who oppress me,  
and I will keep your commandments.**

<sup>135</sup> Let your face shine upon your servant  
and teach me your statutes.

<sup>136</sup> **My eyes shed streams of tears,  
because people do not keep your teaching. [R]**

**SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39**

<sup>26</sup> The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup> And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

<sup>28</sup> We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup> What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else?

<sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

<sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly rises in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

P: The holy gospel according to **St. Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52**

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

<sup>31</sup> [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;<sup>32</sup> it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

<sup>33</sup> He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

<sup>44</sup> "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

<sup>45</sup> "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; <sup>46</sup> on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup> “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; <sup>48</sup> when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. <sup>49</sup> So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous <sup>50</sup> and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>51</sup> “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” <sup>52</sup> And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## **SERMON**

*The assembly rises in body or spirit to sing the Hymn of the Day.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 793 Be Thou My Vision**



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

## APOSTLES' CREED

**A:** In prayer and devotion, we confess our faith with the whole church.

**C:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PEACE

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

*Share the peace of Christ with one another by shaking hands or with a word or sign of Christ's peace.*

*The assembly is seated.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

A: Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A: God our wisdom and our song, we pray for bishops, candidacy committees, those preparing for seminary, those awaiting call as deacons or pastors, and all who seek to lead your disciples in any way. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God our breath and our heartbeat, help us to recognize signs of your presence among us. Protect and support diverse ecosystems, from national parks to family farms, from ranches to wild places. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God our peace and our guide, help civic leaders hear all their peoples' stories with compassion and curiosity, and remind us of your love from which we can never be separated. Bring peace in war-torn areas, especially **Ukraine, Venezuela, Iran and the surrounding region.** Keep safe those whose duty it is to protect others, especially **Anthony, Chris, Eli, Nathan, and Tyler.** God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God our intercessor and our lawgiver, dismantle the barriers to care and recognition of all who live with chronic illness, mobility struggles, pain, and uncertainty. We pray for those in our congregation, especially **Bev, Ed, Frieda, Jeryl, Jim, LaVonne, Maxine, Sandy, and Shirley.** We also pray for friends and family of our congregation\*. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God our redeemer, may we trust your love above and beyond all else that distracts, annoys, frightens, exhausts, or divides us. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God who seeks, finds, and saves, for our community's part in the ongoing gift of creation, and for the riches of faith and hope which came before. We give you thanks for **Johann, Heinrich, George, Mary, Martha, Lazarus, and Olaf**, whom we \*\*commemorate this week. God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.**

*\*See page 23 for friends and family of congregational members.*

*\*\*See page 20 for commemorations.*

## MEAL

### OFFERING

*Your offering may be placed in the plate as it is passed. We thank all who support God's ministry here and in the world.*

*Stand as the offering is presented at the rail.*

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS: ELW 185 Create in Me

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me  
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **C: Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory through the way of the cross in your Son Jesus - glory undiminished in the incarnation that through his visitation all created things may be brought to the fullness of your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

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.

P: Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

**C: Amen.**

P: Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**C: Amen.**

P: Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **C: Amen.**

P. Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: 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. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

All are welcome here. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly is seated.*

*Come, for Christ invites you. Communion today will be distributed at the altar rail (please stand or kneel, as you are comfortable), the ushers will direct you forward to receive the bread (which is gluten-free) and cup either wine (red) or grape juice (white).*

### **Lamb of God**



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, Lamb of God.

# COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 779 *Amazing Grace*



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

## **COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 616 *Jesus Remember Me***

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

*The assembly rises in body or spirit at the invitation of the presiding minister.*

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life. **C: Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **C: Amen**

## **SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### **SENDING BLESSING**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **C: Amen.**

# SENDING HYMN: ELW 705 *God of Grace and God of Glory*



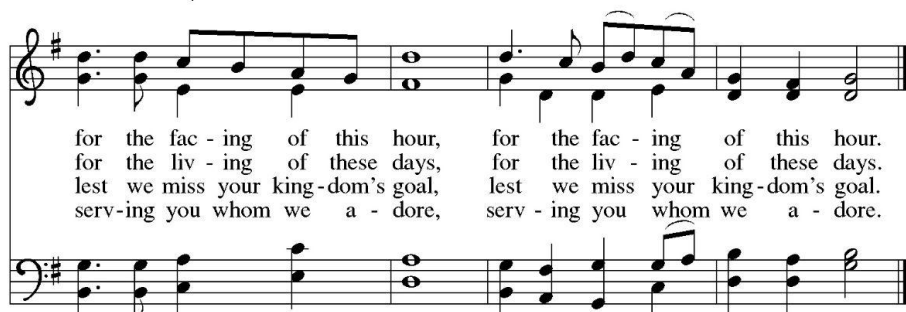
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Christian Education** - The Christian Education Committee is looking for fun, caring volunteers to help with planning extracurricular activities around the church for youths and adults! Please contact Justina Pessein if you're interested in getting involved at 563-940-3782. August 11th is the next meeting - we'd love for you to attend!

**Directories** - The St. James Directories are ready to pick up in the Narthex!

**7/29 Bert Leder Celebration of Life at 11AM** - There will be a dessert reception immediately following.

**Worship Assistant's Schedule on page 22.**

**Attendance last week:**

Saturday: 19 Sunday: 40 YouTube: 4 Total: 63

**Year to Date Financial Summary:**

Contributions: \$96,480 Spending: \$86,329.15 Balance: \$10,150.98

**Birthdays this week:** 7/26 Sherry Germanio 7/26 Shirley Niewald  
7/29 Makenna Anderson 7/26 Mason Anderson 7/29 Steve Pieart  
7/30 Janene Anderson

**Anniversaries this week:** 7/31 Jason & Melissa Forari

**Flowers this week:** The flowers today are given by Jason & Melissa Forari for their wedding anniversary and mom's birthday.

**We livestream our services on YouTube each week to help  
us worship together and stay connected even when we are  
not at full health or out of town!**

**YouTube Link:**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzjnqGF4g\\_QWtn\\_I2SqPL5Q](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzjnqGF4g_QWtn_I2SqPL5Q)

## **COMMEMORATIONS:**

**Johann Sebastian Bach, died 1750; Heinrich Schütz, died 1672;  
George Frederick Handel, died 1759; musicians**

**Tuesday, July 28, 2026**

These three German-born musicians have done much to enrich the life of the church. Schütz was an early master who focused on settings of biblical texts. Bach wrote over 300 cantatas along with works for organ and instrumental pieces, and has been called the "fifth evangelist" for the way he proclaimed the gospel in music. Handel's great work, *Messiah*, is a setting of scriptural texts.

**Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany**

**Wednesday, July 29, 2026**

Friends of Jesus, Mary and Martha are remembered for the hospitality of their home that they offered him—Martha focused on serving their guest, and Mary on listening to him. Their brother Lazarus was raised from the dead as a sign of the greater resurrection to come.

**Olaf, King of Norway, martyr, died 1030**

**Wednesday, July 29, 2026**

Considered the patron saint of Norway, Olaf went from a life of piracy to becoming Christian and declaring himself king of Norway. He revised the laws and tried to administer them fairly. Driven from Norway in a rebellion, he was killed in battle trying to regain his kingdom.

## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT EDUCATION

*Jesus said, "Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' Matthew 9:13*

During the month of July, come explore two significant statements on social teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). These gatherings will review the documents and provide time for reflection and conversation. Our goal is to deepen our understanding of these issues and how countless lives are impacted by them, so we can more deeply learn mercy and compassion for ourselves and our neighbors.

Copies of these statements can be found online and in the Connections Corner in the Narthex.

**Monday, July 6th at 6:00 p.m.** - *Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust*  
(c. 2009, updated 2025)

**Monday, July 27th at 6:00 p.m.** - *Abortion* (c. 1991)

### Trusting God to Meet us in the Hard Work of Discernment

The ELCA teaches that faith is active in love (Gal. 5:6), and love seeks justice in public relationships and social structures (Amos 5:24). In grateful response to God's grace, our church supports members' daily vocations, encourages learning and moral discernment, develops social teaching and policy, and bears public witness. In these efforts the ELCA seeks God's guidance amid the ambiguity of social life. We seek to welcome diverse gifts and perspectives in using resources that help us to talk and act well together.

Social teaching is our church's official teaching and policy. It also provides guidance for moral discernment and action for individuals in the ELCA. These statements address significant social issues (such as racism or genetics) and institutions (such as healthcare or economic life) and are adopted by a two-thirds Churchwide Assembly vote.

## SUMMER FUN IN THE PARK

### Wednesday, July 29th - Young Adult Gathering 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Gathering will be held at Devil's Glenn Park, Shelter 3, Bettendorf. Join us for a potluck followed by a short time of prayer and worship! Contact the office at 563-355-4161 for more details.

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### Worship Assistants

#### **July 26**

Presider  
Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Acolyte  
Organist  
Ushers  
Altar Guild

#### **9:00 AM Worship**

Vicar Bryce Hewlett, SAM  
Justina Pessein  
Kaylee Pessein  
Eli Pessein  
Linda Gross  
Ron Mekalson & Kelly Crooks  
Marilyn Pieart & Diana Worley

#### **August 2**

Presider  
Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Acolyte  
Organist  
Ushers  
Altar Guild

#### **9:00 AM Worship**

Vicar Bryce Hewlett, SAM  
Shirley Richlen  
Pat Larson  
Needed  
Linda Gross  
Ryan Martin & Ellen Hogbin  
Marilyn Pieart & Diana Worley

## **Prayers for Healing and Support**

### **Congregational Members**

**Ed** Arp, **Bev** Chappen, **Maxine** Duhm, **Sandy** Henry,  
**Frieda** Houldsworth, **Jeryl** Krumbholz, **Jim** Krumbholz,  
**LaVonne** Mienke, **Shirley** Niewald

### **Family and Friends**

**Amanda** (friend of Melissa), **Annette & Rick** (Steve & Sue Miller & Pat Sorenson's sister & brother-in-law), **Brenda** (Friend of Janene Anderson), **Donna** (Ed Arp's sister), **Drew** (Pat Larson's friend), **Elliot** (Gary and Eunice Grell's great grandson), **Emmett** (friend of Diana Worley), **Hattie** (Frieda's sister), **Jane** (friend of Deb Crooks),  
**Jason** (Sherry Germanio's son),  
**Karen** (Shirley's Aunt), **Larry** (family of Doug Larson),  
**Lylah** (friend of Noa), **Mark** (friend of Jason Forari),  
**Michelle** (friend of Joleen & Erik Bakken),  
**Pat** (Judy Larson's Sister-in-Law),  
**Phil** (Steve Miller and Pat Sorensen's brother),  
**Stacy** (Fritz' son's cousin), **Steve** (friend of Pat Larson),  
**Wally** (Frieda's nephew)

### **Those Whose Duty it is to Protect Others**

**Anthony** Karasek (Judy Larson's great nephew)  
**LT. Chris** Tribble USN (Erik & Joleen Bakken's friend).  
**CPT Eli** Smith (Jerry and Myrna Mattly's grandson)  
**Nathan** Pearson USAF (Jenna & Kane Schmidt's friend)  
**Tyler** McLaughlin, First Responder (Family of Pat Larson)

# August 2026

| Sunday                                  | Monday                         | Tuesday           | Wednesday                                                                                                                          | Thursday                                                           | Friday | Saturday                                      |
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| 7/26                                    | 7/27                           | 7/28              | 7/29                                                                                                                               | 7/30                                                               | 7/31   | 1                                             |
| 9AM Worship                             | 6PM Adult Ed. Social Statement | No Quilting       | 11AM Bert Leder Celebration of Life<br><br>6-8PM Food Pantry<br><br>6-8PM Young Adult Gathering<br>Deville's Glenn Park, Shelter 3 | 9-11AM Food Pantry                                                 |        | 5PM Worship                                   |
| 2                                       | 3                              | 4                 | 5                                                                                                                                  | 6                                                                  | 7      | 8                                             |
| 9AM Worship                             | 4PM Social Ministry Mtg.       |                   | 6-8PM Food Pantry                                                                                                                  | 9-11AM Food Pantry<br><br>11AM Service at BHCC                     |        | 8AM Men's Prayer Breakfast<br><br>5PM Worship |
| 9                                       | 10                             | 11                | 12                                                                                                                                 | 13                                                                 | 14     | 15                                            |
| 9AM Worship<br><br>10AM Coffee & Convo. |                                | 4PM Property Mtg. | 6-8PM Food Pantry                                                                                                                  | 9-11AM Food Pantry<br><br>2:30PM BINGO @ BETT Health Care Center   |        | 5PM Worship                                   |
| 16                                      | 17                             | 18                | 19                                                                                                                                 | 20                                                                 | 21     | 22                                            |
| 9AM Worship<br><br>10AM Council Mtg.    |                                | 1PM Sarah Circle  | 6-8PM Food Pantry                                                                                                                  | 9-11AM Food Pantry<br><br>11:30AM GANG<br><br>11AM Service at BHCC |        | 5PM Worship                                   |