



Foxes  
have holes,  
and birds of the air  
have nests...

LUKE 9:58



# June 25-26, 2022

## AS WE GATHER

When you feel all alone, remember this: you are not alone. First, you are not alone in feeling that way. In today’s Old Testament Reading, you will see how even Elijah, the mighty prophet of God, felt all alone. “I, even I only, am left!” he exclaimed (1 Kings 19:10). That was his honest feeling; however, it wasn’t true. The Lord revealed to Elijah that He had not abandoned His prophet, even reassuring Elijah of this by providing Elisha as his helper in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. God’s presence and provision in Elijah’s life reassured him of his divine purpose, and the same is true for you! Even when you may think or feel that you are alone, you are not! God’s presence and provision, which you will receive yet again today, reassure you of this! Jesus is with you! He loves you! And He sends His Spirit into your life to give you His purpose and direction, reminding you that you belong to Him!

*The pottery vessels on the altar remind us that although Holy Communion is not celebrated today, our Lord’s sacred gifts are still central to our life of faith. Holy Communion is celebrated every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> weekend (and major festivals).*

### Liturgical Color:

*Green is the color of life and growth in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**Prelude** ..... Gary Moege (Sat), Cody Clemons (Sun)

### Stand

**Gathering Hymn** ..... “Holy Spirit, Light Divine” #496



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, light di - vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine;  
2 Let me see my Sav - ior’s face, Let me all His beau - ties trace;  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow’r di - vine, Cleanse this guilt - y heart of mine;  
4 Ho - ly Spir - it, joy di - vine, Cheer this sad - dened heart of mine;  
5 Ho - ly Spir - it, all di - vine, Dwell with - in this heart of mine;



Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn the dark - ness in - to day.  
 Show those glo - rious truths to me Which are on - ly known to Thee.  
 In Thy mer - cy pit - y me, From sin's bond - age set me free.  
 Yield a sa - cred, set - tled peace, Let it grow and still in - crease.  
 Cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone.

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## Service of Prayer and Preaching

### Opening Versicles (*Common*)..... page 260

- P** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C** Teach me Your paths.
- P** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** Your Word is truth.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Old Testament Canticle..... pages 261-262

*Refrain*

**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."



*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done



glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -



hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the



Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.



*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
 be for - ev - er. A - men.  
 The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

*Sit*

## Readings

### Old Testament Reading.....1 Kings 19:9b-21

Behold, the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], and he said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” And he said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.” And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” And the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And

when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm 16** ..... *(spoken responsively by half-verse)*

Preserve me, O God,

**for in you I take refuge.**

I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;

**I have no good apart from you.”**

As for the saints in the land,

**they are the excellent ones,**

**in whom is all my delight.**

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;

**their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out**

**or take their names on my lips.**

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;

**you hold my lot.**

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

**indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

**in the night also my heart instructs me.**

I have set the LORD always before me;

**because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

**my flesh also dwells secure.**

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

**or let your holy one see corruption.**

You make known to me the path of life;

**in your presence there is fullness of joy;**

**at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**As it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen**

## **Epistle Reading ..... Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . .

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn..... "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing" #691



1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, May we rip - en  
2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing Gifts the Giv - er  
3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern  
4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, May we grow till



and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,  
loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,  
and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,  
har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,



Rich in love and joy and peace.  
Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.  
Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.  
Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

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**Stand**

**Holy Gospel ..... Luke 9:51-62**

When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. And they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."



**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Responsory** (*Common*) .....page 263

**P** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**Catechism** .....page 264

**Ten Commandments**

**C** You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Apostles' Creed**

**C** 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.

Lord's Prayer.....page 264

*Sit*

Children's Message

Sermon..... "Emptied & Filled"

Hymn..... "All for Christ I Have Forsaken" #753



1 All for Christ I have for - sak - en And have  
2 Who is sweet - er than Christ Je - sus? No good  
3 Gone the past, un - known the fu - ture— Grace sup -  
4 When God takes me home to heav - en, Should this  
5 Though the road a - head be thorn - y, Though dark



tak - en up my cross; World - ly joy, its  
thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at  
plies my dai - ly breath; Strong in Christ through  
be the day I die, God will keep my  
clouds all light ob - scure, Though my cross - shaped



fame and for - tune, Now I count as worth-less dross.  
peace I fol - low Where He leads me ... why look back?  
death's dark val - ley, Firm and faith - ful un - to death.  
spouse and chil - dren As the ap - ple of His eye.  
path grows steep - er, With the Lord, I am se - cure.

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Offering

*Worshippers may place their offerings into the plate located at the entrance.*

“Through him (Jesus) then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.” (Hebrews 13:15-16)

## Prayers

### *Stand*

**Prayers** .....page 265

**P** Let us pray to the Lord,

**C** Lord, have mercy

...

**P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

**Collect of the Day** ..... (*spoken in unison*)

Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Collect for the Word** .....page 265

**P** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen

**Evening Prayer** (*Saturday*) .....page 266

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**Morning Prayer** (*Sunday*) .....page 266

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please

You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Canticle .....page 266

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Blessing** .....page 267

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

**C** Amen.

**Sending Hymn**.....“*May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill*” #698



1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on  
2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace a -  
3 Spir - it of life, of love and peace, U - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;  
dore, Thy pow'r con - fess, From sin and strife to flee.  
hearts, our joy in - crease, Thy gra - cious help sup - ply.



Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy  
One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of  
To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian



chil - dren and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.  
all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.  
fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

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**Dismissal** ..... (Bethlehem's Mission)

**P** Grow in Christ,

**C** Live in Love and Share the Faith!

**Postlude** ..... Gary Moege (Sat), Cody Clemons (Sun)

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## Next Week's Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 66:10-14; Epistle: Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18; Gospel: Luke 10:1-20

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Attendance Last Saturday: 37

Total Offering: \$3,105.69

Home Use: \$3,105.69

Attendance Last Sunday: 59

Missions: \$0.00

Benevolences: \$0.00

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### Serving us today:

Elders.....Jack Easterwood (Saturday), Caleb Thomas (Sunday)

Musicians .....Gary Moege (Sat), Cody Clemons (Sun)

Altar Committee.....Darlene Laubenstein (Chair), Erika Freeman, Peggy Hoyer,  
Lynn Lowe, Cindy Smith, Rebecca Stewart

Flower Committee ..... Lana Vanderburgh (Chair), Karen Haase

### This Week's Schedule

Sunday *Cindy's Vacation (June 26th-July 3rd)*

Monday 9:30 a.m. Exercise Class

10:00 a.m. Moms and Tots

6:30 p.m. 4-H

Tuesday 7:15 p.m. Education Board Meeting

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Exercise Class

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday 1:00 p.m. Games and Card Group

Friday 9:30 a.m. Exercise Group

Saturday 5:30 p.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour broadcast on 96.9

9:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast 98.5 (can also be heard at  
[www.blchurch.com](http://www.blchurch.com), under the Sermons tab)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School, Adult Bible Class

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

### Prayers

**For Sustenance, Healing, and Provision**—We remember those who are dealing with illness, are homebound or in nursing homes, are undergoing and recovering from surgery, as well as going through hospitalization and rehabilitation: Amanda Atkins (friend of the McComases), Mel Bockelman, Paula Brewer, Felisa Brown, Ben Burd (friend & coworker of Jeremy VanWey), Ray & Mary Carstensen, Barbara Compton, Donna Cuellar (Betty Weinberg's daughter), Marion Droege, Wilma Gertz, Karen Haase, Ralph Hein, Maxine Jaeger, Mary Johnson, Marty Lehn, Lynn Lowe, Georgia

Luker's sister and brother, Deb Matson (Ellen Pederson's mother), Johnny Nichol, Judy Pierce, Maryanna Savery, Rose Steitz, and Joe Zeman.

**For Pregnant Mothers (& Waiting Fathers)**, especially Samantha & Nathan Schultz (Mark and Felisa Brown's daughter & son-in-law) and Jeremiah & Colleen Murrell. May the Lord grant good health and joyful provision to all parents in the daily welcome of their children!

For Military Members—We remember all service and support personnel who are deployed and stationed away from us and their families: Andy Burden, Ty Carter, Luke Lockard (the Limback's grandson) and Chance Hillsman.

**Prayer Requests & Spiritual Care**—If you would like to make a prayer request, contact Pr. Joel or email the church office. Also, if you're feeling the strain and needing to talk and be encouraged in the living of life from day to day, don't hesitate to call or text Pr. Joel or contact your elder or the church office. We rely upon the Holy Spirit and his gifts in Christ during every time of uncertainty, and can never be thankful enough for the gift of each other!

### Worship Services

**Saturday Services start at 5:30 p.m. Sunday Services are at 10:30 a.m.** Sunday's Services are live on Facebook and YouTube and the webpage at [blchurch.com](http://blchurch.com).

**Wednesday Outdoor Service**—We're having a simple devotional service—*Green Pastures*—outside under the cottonwood tree behind the van shelter for the **first Wednesday** of these summer months (through August) **from 7:00-7:30 p.m.** We'll focus on the next bit of the Lord's Prayer we didn't get to in Faith Night before summer set in. Join us on **July 6** as we dwell upon the next phrase: *On Earth*.

### Sunday School and Christian Education

**Sunday School for PreK-12<sup>th</sup> grade begins at 9:15 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great opportunity for children and youth to grow in knowledge of Scripture and in love toward the Lord and our neighbors, as Jesus said matters most!

### Faith Discussion and Bible Study

**Sunday Bible Study** is working through the book *Death, Heaven, Resurrection, and the New Creation* (by Concordia Seminary faculty) and discussing our way through Scripture and personal experiences so that we can all be strengthened in believing and living through Christ's own life, death, and resurrection. Plan to join us **in the conference room from 9:15 to 10:10 a.m.!**

**Wednesday Bible Study** has been exploring the short book of the prophet Habakkuk and would love for you to be with us for the strong and prayerful ending of this

book's wrestling questioning of the Lord and his ways! **Join us in the conference room from 10:30 to noon.**

### Opportunities to Help & Serve

**Thanks to our Bethlehem members who've staffed the Food Center so well this month!** Much gratitude for serving our community in this way.

**The Warrensburg Food Center** is in need of the following items: canned vegetables, beans, diced tomatoes, Hamburger Helper, coffee (regular instant, not pods), dry cereal (regular boxes), tuna and chicken pouches, Vienna sausages, Spam, Pop-Tarts, juice pouches, Gatorade type drinks with electrolytes, stick deodorant, Chapstick, small body lotions, medium size cloth or vinyl bags with sturdy handles, large backpacks (not book bags), dish soap and toilet paper. (No mac and cheese or dry beans). Please throw in a few items when you are doing your grocery shopping to help the Food Center. You can place them in the basket by the bulletin board at the north entrance of the building for delivery to the Food Center.

**Sand Volleyball Court Restoration**—Bill Hillsman, whose earthly life ended in late March, installed the volleyball court here more than a couple of decades ago for his Eagle Scout project. Memorial funds are being used to restore this court in time for the First Annual Bill Hillsman Volleyball Game/Tournament, which will be held at our congregational picnic. Let Shawn Lindley or Pr. Joel know if you'd like to help in any way with the work required to make it happen ... and **your help is needed!** Workdays will happen on three Saturdays in a row, with the bulk of the prep work happening on **Saturdays July 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to noon.** Finishing work will happen on **Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to noon as well,** and that will be a Thrivent Action Team Day (so shirts and pizza will be provided). Thanks in advance for helping to make this a reality!

**Garden Work**—There's not only plenty to do in our community vegetable garden and greenspace, but also much joy to be found in the gifts of Creation and the sharing of its abundance with others. Talk to Shawn Lindley or Pr. Joel if you're looking for a regular way to plug in and help in the process. Thanks!

### Fellowship

**Annual Swim Party**—Welcome ladies of Bethlehem and your friends to the annual swim party on **July 11th at the Haases on 227 NE 51st Road in the Burnwood addition.** Please come for an evening of conversation and food while you swim or just sit and visit. The meat, drinks, table service, and dessert will be provided. (The Fellowship Board will furnish a cake). Please bring a dish to share. We will celebrate Rebecca Stewart's tenure with us as our CLF. She will leave that job to take a full-



time teaching position. We will miss her as our Congregational Life Facilitator, but she will continue to be a member of our congregation and the secretary of Mary Martha Guild. **Come about 5:00 p.m.; we will eat at 5:30 p.m.** Come and go as you have time. We look forward to your company!

**You are invited to a reception in honor of Esther Keseman and the late Charles Keseman.** The event will be held immediately after the church service on **July 24th**. The sponsors for this reception are The Mary—Martha Guild and the Thrivent Group. The congregation will have the opportunity to thank Esther for all the years of service she and Charles have given the people of Bethlehem and the members of the Warrensburg community. They have certainly demonstrated their love of Christ and his people through their actions. Please join us for this special occasion!

**Exercise Class** is being held at **9:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** in the Fellowship Hall. This class is low impact exercise open to anyone, men or women. For more information, contact Judy Smith.

**The Games and Card Group** meets on **Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.** in the Youth room downstairs. Anyone, men and women, are welcome to come. If you have any questions, please contact Melvin Theroff.

### **This & That**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church of rural Slater, Missouri**, cordially invite you to participate in a celebration of the **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ordination of Pastor Walter P. Snyder. On July 10, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.** St. Paul's Ladies Aid is sponsoring a Service of Celebration. Following the service will be light meal and reception. Address is 37507 E. Highway P., Slater, Missouri 65349.

**Country Kitchen Cards are available!** You can get 10 buy-one, get-one meal **FREE** coupons for just **\$10.00**. All proceeds go towards helping the youth group. See a youth member, or you can stop by the office and purchase one.

**Ongoing thanks** to those who generously give to the Bethlehem Emergency Fund, which enables Pr. Joel to assist members and certain people in the community who are in crisis situations. Much appreciation for your good support!

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**Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 607 N. Maguire, Warrensburg, MO 64093**

### **Our Mission**

· Grow in Christ · Live in Love · Share the Faith

### **Our Vision**

To be a community of believers, disciples, and servants while we deepen our personal faith and reach others for Christ.



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