

LUKE 10:29

Who is  
my neighbor?



+ The 5th Sunday After Pentecost +

**July 9-10, 2022**

**AS WE GATHER**

As our gracious God gathers us together in His house today, we are blessed with another opportunity to be filled with His love. This love is the love that enables us to love. It all begins with God, who so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son. This love is found in Jesus, who in great love offered His life upon the cross for us. This love is poured out upon us when we, by the power of the Holy Spirit, believe in Christ as our Lord and Savior. It knows no limits because this love is directed to us in Christ and then through us back to God in lives of worship. But our worship doesn't stop when the service is over; no, our love for God continues when it is directed through us toward our neighbors in lives of humble service. The limitless love of God is ours to receive yet again today as we gather to give thanks to the Father above who has "transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (Colossians 1:13-14).

*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** ..... Jerrode Marsh

**Gathering Hymn** ..... "To God Be the Glory"



|   |    |     |                  |                  |       |        |       |     |
|---|----|-----|------------------|------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----|
| 1 | To | God | be the glo - ry, | great things     | He    | has    | done, | So  |
| 2 | To | God | be the glo - ry, | great mer - cy   | He's  | shown: | He    |     |
| 3 | To | God | be the glo - ry, | His Word is      | great | truth, | In -  |     |
| 4 | To | God | be the glo - ry, | His great - ness | di -  | vine   | Now   |     |
| 5 | To | God | be the glo - ry, | great things     | He    | has    | done, | Our |



loved He the world that He gave us His Son. Who  
 saved us and cleansed us and made us His own; Re -  
 struct - ing and guid - ing since days of our youth: The  
 of - fers for - give - ness with bread and with wine, And  
 lives have been touched by the light of His Son— Called



yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for sin And  
 newed by the Spir - it, re - born from a - bove, That  
 Law to re - prove, to cor - rect, and to train; The  
 fed by His bod - y and blood in this place, We  
 out of the dark - ness of death and de - spair; Made



o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
 we might be jus - ti - fied by His rich love!  
 Gos - pel to com - fort, to heal and sus - tain.  
 taste and we see the Lord's won - der - ful grace!  
 priests in His king - dom, His deeds to de - clare.

*Refrain*



1-4 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His  
 5 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His



voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re -  
 voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re -



joice! O come to the Fa - ther, through Je - sus the  
 joice! Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the



Son, And give Him the glo - ry, great things He has done!  
 Son, Sing praise to the Spir-it— our God, Three in One!

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*Stand*

## 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



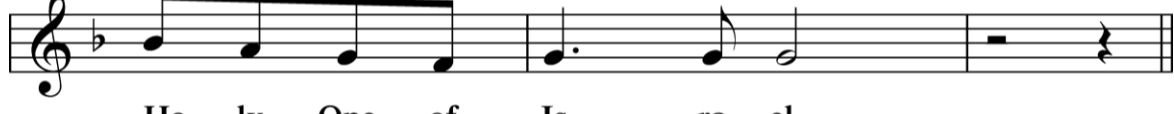
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



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..... Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.” So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this command before he died, ‘Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 138.....** *(spoken in unison)*

**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;**

**before the gods I sing your praise;**

**I bow down toward your holy temple**

**and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,**

**for you have exalted above all things**

**your name and your word.**

**On the day I called, you answered me;**

**my strength of soul you increased.**

**All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,**

**for they have heard the words of your mouth,**

**and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,**

**for great is the glory of the LORD.**

**For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,**

**but the haughty he knows from afar.**

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble,**

**you preserve my life;**

**you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,**

**and your right hand delivers me.**

**The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;**

**your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.**

**Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

**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 ..... Romans 12:14-21**

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Hymn**..... *“Holy, Holy, Holy” #507*



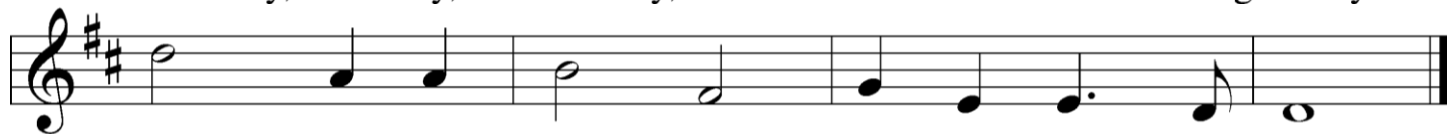
1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.  
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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**Stand**

**Holy Gospel** ..... **Luke 6:36-42**

[Jesus said:] “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. Why do you see the speck that is in your



brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye."

**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 (all)** .....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

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### Children's Message

Sermon....."Revenge or Forgiveness"

Hymn....."The Church's One Foundation" #644



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war  
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.  
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more  
 And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
 And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.  
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
 That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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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

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**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 Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father 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*

**C** 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**..... *"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" #680*

1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more  
 lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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

- P** Grow in Christ,
- C** Live in Love and Share the Faith!

**Postlude** ..... Jerrode Marsh

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**Next Week’s Readings**

**Old Testament: Genesis 18:1-14; Epistle: Colossians 1:21-29; Gospel: Luke 10:38-42**

**Attendance Last Saturday: 30**

**Total Offering: \$4,575.00**

**Home Use: \$4,575.00**

**Attendance Last Sunday: 44**

**Missions: \$0.00**

**Benevolences: \$0.00**

**Serving us today:**

Elders..... Willie Crespo (Saturday), Caleb Thomas (Sunday)

Musicians ..... Jerrode Marsh

Altar Committee..... Cindy Schnell (Chair), Judy Schache, Samantha Schnell

Lauren Schumaker, Stephanie Schumaker

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

## This Week's Schedule

|           |            |  |
|-----------|------------|--|
| Monday    |            | <i>Pastor's Vacation (through the 18<sup>th</sup>)</i>   |
|           | 9:30 a.m.  | Exercise Class   |
|           | 10:00 a.m. | Moms and Tots  |
|           | 5:00 p.m.  | MMG Potluck at Bethlehem ( <i>in place of pool party</i> )   |
| Tuesday   |            | <b>No</b> Church Council Meeting   |
| Wednesday |            | <b>No</b> Bible Study  |
|           | 9:30 a.m.  | Exercise Class   |
| Thursday  | 1:00 p.m.  | Games and Card Group   |
| Friday    | 9:30 a.m.  | Exercise Group   |
| Saturday  | 9:00 a.m.  | Volleyball Court Workday ( <i>until noon</i> )   |
|           | 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 <a href="http://www.blchurch.com">www.blchurch.com</a> , under the Sermons tab) |
|           | 9:15 a.m.  | Sunday School, Adult Bible Class   |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Holy Communion   |

## Absence/Presence

**Pr. Joel will be on vacation from July 8 through 18**—visiting Alaska with his family. Pastor Bertels will be taking his place while he is gone this weekend. If you need anything during his absence, please contact your elder, head elder Willie Crespo or Pastor Bertels.

**Next Sunday, July 16-17, Dr. Tilahun Mekonen Menedo** will be preaching at the weekend services.

## Prayers

**For Abby Humphrey** from our congregation and the thousands of LCMS youth from around the country who are in Houston for the National Youth Gathering—*In All Things*—from July 9-13. May it be an encouraging and inspiring time in their lives of faith, love, and service!

**For Seminarian Jonathan Sharp** as he finishes his vicarage at Bethlehem (in Florida)! We look forward to having him, his wife (Deaconess Bridgette), and son David here next month on their way back to Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.

**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, Denny Spanton, Rose Steitz, and Joe Zeman.

**For Pregnant Mothers (& Waiting Fathers)**, especially Colleen & Jeremiah Murrell ... and may the Lord grant glad 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).

### **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 currently exploring the last section ("Bodily Life in God's Heavenly Creation") of the book *Death, Heaven, Resurrection, and the New Creation* but will be on temporary break from that until the 24<sup>th</sup>. Sunday's guest pastor will lead a topical study **in the conference room from 9:15 to 10:10 a.m.** during Pr. Joel's absence.



**Wednesday Bible Study** finished the book of Habakkuk and will begin looking at Zephaniah on the **20<sup>th</sup>**. **Join us in the conference room from 10:30 to noon** for this time of study and growth.

### Opportunities to Help & Serve

**The Warrensburg Food Center** is in need of the following items: canned vegetables (no corn or green beans), 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, bath soap bars, laundry soap, bleach, dish soap, toilet paper and grocery bags. (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

**UPDATE: The July 11 Swim Party has been moved to the church fellowship hall.** Please plan on bringing a side dish or dessert. All other supplies will be furnished. Come and enjoy each other's company and wish Rebecca a farewell.

**You are invited to a reception in honor of Esther Keseman and the late Charles Keseman after service on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.** 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**

**The Warrensburg Senior Center** needs Volunteer Drivers to deliver meals to the Homebound. Deliver one day a week or five. Delivery will be safe and contactless to older adults. Pair up with a friend or you can volunteer on your own. Call Care Connection for Aging Services at **660-747-2624** if you are interested and can help out with this. Thanks!

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### **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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Please note that Bethlehem Lutheran Church has a closed-circuit video system. This allows for live streaming on the web, viewing of the service on screens in the building and helps to enhance our security. Please see a trustee or an elder if you have any questions.