

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2020



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§ A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

How Can We Help You? We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Those Serving July 26th at Faith

Organist	Heidi Perling
Acolyte	Eden Perling
Altar Guild	Lee Phinney
Ushers	Tom & Faith Dunn,
	Lee Phinney, Fred Brady

Asst. Minister	Justin Munson
Greeters	
Refreshments	
Sermon Title	Faithful to His Word;
	The Lord Keeps His promises

The order of service for today begins on page 184 of the Lutheran Service Book.

Confession and Absolution

Please rise. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Parishioners observe a moment of silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination, perhaps using the Ten Commandments to examine specific sins committed in thought, word, and deed.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the As Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word



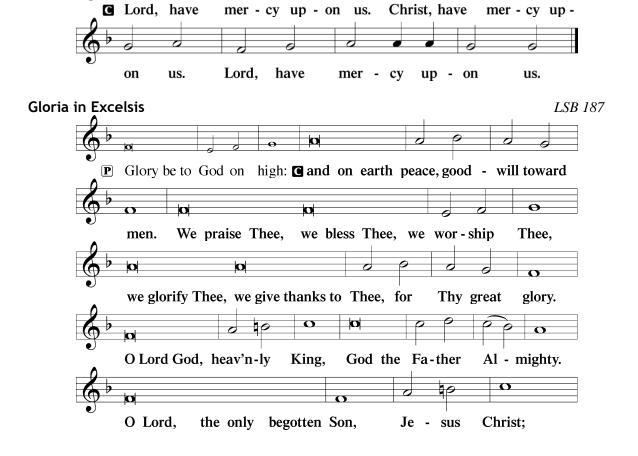
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill,
 All eager to devour us,
 We tremble not, we fear no ill;
 They shall not overpow'r us.
 This world's prince may still
 Scowl fierce as he will,
 He can harm us none.
 He's judged; the deed is done;
 One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain
 Nor any thanks have for it;
 He's by our side upon the plain
 With His good gifts and Spirit.
 And take they our life,
 Goods, fame, child, and wife,
 Though these all be gone,
 Our vict'ry has been won;
 The Kingdom ours remaineth.

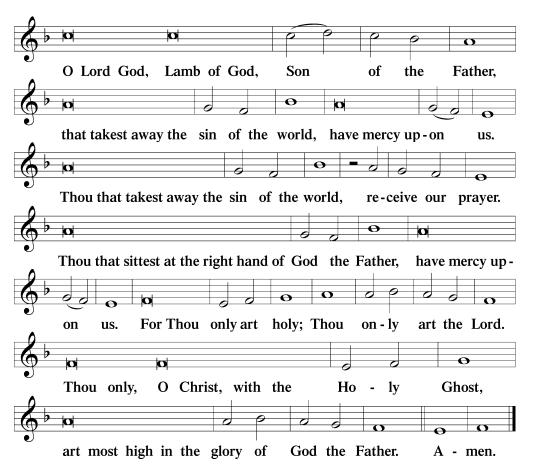
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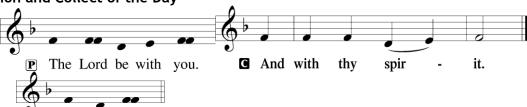
- P The Spirit and the Church cry out
- C "Come, Lord Jesus."

Kyrie









P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 7:6–9

A The Old Testament Reading for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost is from Deuteronomy, chapter 7.

⁶"You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 125; antiphon: v. 2

Antiphon As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his | people,* from this time forth and for- | evermore.

¹Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount | Zion,* which cannot be moved, but abides for- | ever.

²As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his | people,* from this time forth and for- | evermore.

³For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the | righteous,* lest the righteous stretch out their hands to | do wrong.

⁴Do good, O LORD, to those | who are good,* and to those who are upright | in their hearts!

⁵But those who turn aside to their crooked ways

the LORD will lead away with evil- | doers!*

Peace be upon | Israel!

Antiphon As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his | people,* from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Epistle Romans 8:28–39

A The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 8.

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

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

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

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please rise



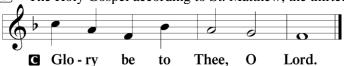
P I will open my mouth in parables;

I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world. Matthew 13:35b



Holy Gospel Matthew 13:44–52

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.



⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

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

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."



Apostles' Creed

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.

651 I Love Your Kingdom, Lord



The Church our blest Re-deem-er saved With His own pre-cious blood. Its sweet com-mu-nion, sol-emn vows, Its hymns of love and praise. Dear as the ap-ple of Your eye And grav-en on Your hand. For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end. The bright-est glo-ries earth can yield And bright-er bliss of heav'n.

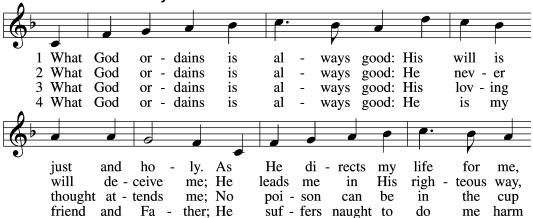
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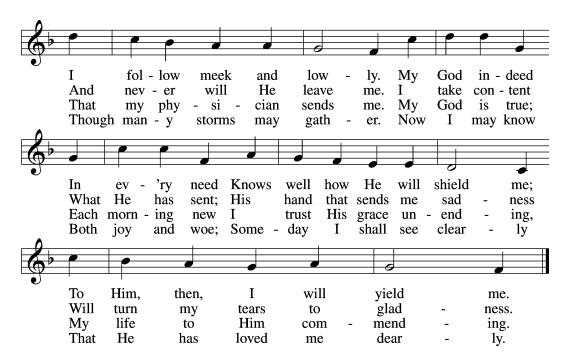
Sermon

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Please rise

760 What God Ordains Is Always Good





What God ordains is always good:
Though I the cup am drinking
Which savors now of bitterness,
I take it without shrinking.
For after grief
God gives relief,
My heart with comfort filling
And all my sorrow stilling.

6 What God ordains is always good:
This truth remains unshaken.
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
I shall not be forsaken.
I fear no harm,
For with His arm
He shall embrace and shield me;
So to my God I yield me.

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Please be seated

Offering

Please rise

Prayer of the Church (responsive form)

- Almighty God, we give thanks for all Your goodness and bless You for the love that sustains us from day to day. We praise You for the gift of Your Son, our Savior, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. We thank You for the Holy Spirit, the Comforter; for Your holy Church, for the means of grace, for the lives of all faithful and just people, and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that You have done for us, and enable us to show our thankfulness in lives that are wholly given to Your service. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

A Save and defend Your whole Church, purchased with the precious blood of Christ. Strengthen Your faithful people through the Word and the holy Sacraments, making them perfect in love and in all good works, and establishing in them the faith once delivered to the saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Grant Your wisdom and heavenly grace to all pastors and to those who hold office in Your Church that, by their devoted service, faith may abound and Your kingdom increase. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Send the light of Your truth into all the earth. Raise up faithful servants of Christ to advance the Gospel both at home and in distant lands. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A In Your mercy strengthen newly established congregations, and support them in challenging times. Make them steadfast, abounding in the work of the Lord, and let their faith and zeal for the Gospel refresh and renew the witness of Your people everywhere. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Preserve our nation in justice and honor that we may lead a peaceable life with integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear office in our land, especially the president and congress of the United States, the governor and legislature of this state, our county commissioners, Mayors and City Councils, and all who make, administer, and judge our laws. Protect all members of the Armed forces and lead them to serve with integrity and honor. Help all civil servants to serve according to Your holy will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Take from us all hatred and prejudice, give us the spirit of love, and order our days in Your peace. Prosper the labor of those who work to bring peace and justice to the nations of the world that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Bless the schools of the Church and all colleges, universities, and centers of research and those who teach and work in them. Grant Your wisdom in such measure that people may serve You honorably in Church and state, and that our common life may be conformed to the ways of Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

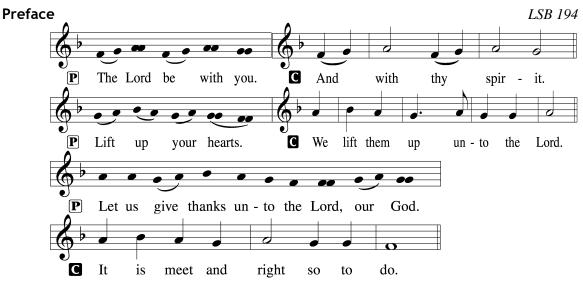
C hear our prayer.

A Sanctify our homes with Your presence and bless them with joy. Keep our children in the covenant of their Baptism and enable their parents to bring them up in lives of faith and devotion. Unite the members of all families in a spirit of affection and service that they may show Your praise in our land and in all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

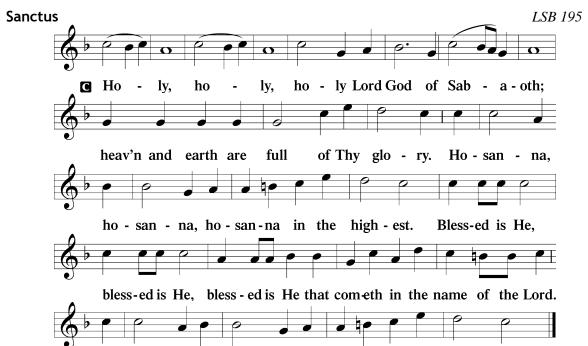
- A Let Your blessing remain upon the seedtime and harvest, the commerce and industry, the leisure and rest, the arts and culture of our people. Take under Your special protection those whose work is difficult or dangerous and be with all who put their hands to any useful task. Give them the just rewards for their labor and the knowledge that their work is a blessing in Your sight. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- By Your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Be with those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those to whom death draws near. Bring consolation to those in sorrow, and grant to all a measure of Your love, taking them into Your tender care. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus

fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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.

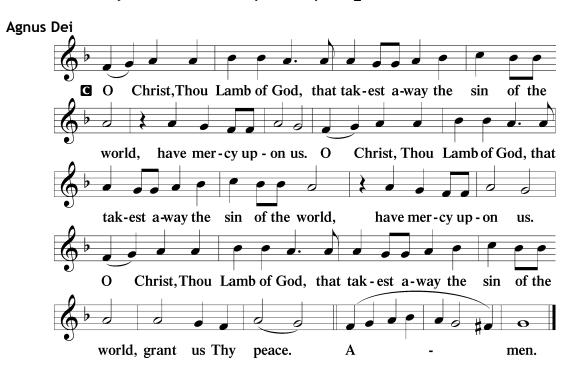
The Words of Our Lord

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





Please be seated

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.

Communing at Faith

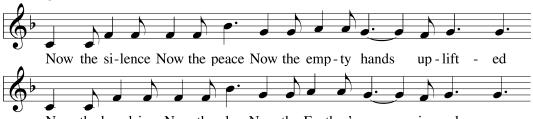
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752 Be Still, My Soul

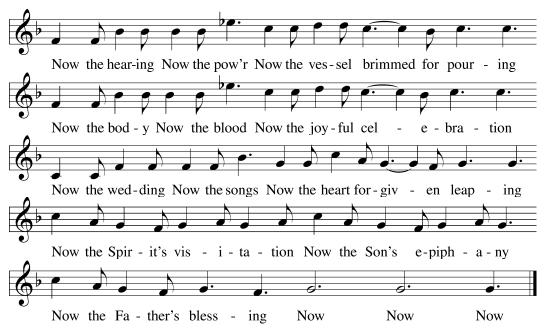


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910 Now the Silence



Now the kneel-ing Now the plea Now the Fa-ther's arms in wel - come

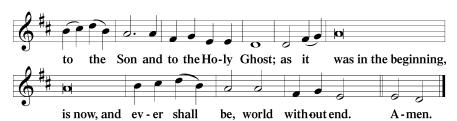


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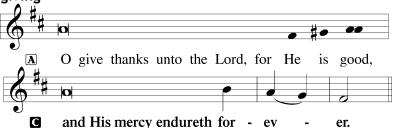
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.





Thanksgiving LSB 200



A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





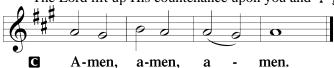


Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.





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FELC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK IN PERSON AND THROUGH ZOOM

Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Study- Cultivating Faith Bible Study
	10:30 PM	Divine Service
Tuesday	6:30 PM	Ladies of Faith
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Bible Study-Luther's Small Catechism for Everyone
•	7:00 PM	Prayer Service
Saturday	2:00 PM	Choirside Chat
Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Study – Cultivating Faith Bible Study
-	10:30 PM	Divine Service

LWML SUMMER RETREAT is August 22 at Kensington Park Clubhouse in Rolla. The day features teaching on Jesus' Parables from Luke 15 with a small breakfast. If you would like to stay in Rolla for lunch, the options are to bring a sack lunch or have lunch at a place of your choice in Rolla.

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Bev Richard in memory of her husband Art Richard's birthday.

Pray for Our Servicemen and Missionaries we support

Please remember to pray for family members and friends deployed on active duty:

† Franklin LaLonde †

Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Missionaries:

† Rev. Dr. David Preus and his family (Dominican Republic) †

Pray for Those Who are III and Recovering

- † Inge Allen † Tim Berrier † The Boettger Family † Barb Bon Giovanni † Ray Crosby †
- † Jerry and Janet Driscoll † Harrison Ellis † Dennis Engstrom † Sharon Green † Mary Heimsoth †
- † Herb Houser † Doug Isaac † Joelle Jones † Mary Jones † Liz Joyce † Patricia King †
- † Marian Kubinski † Chris Malley † Laine Martin † Arik Matson and Family †
- † Jim and Marie Matthews † Ken Merrill † Sydney Merrill † Todd Meyer † Jenny Miessler †
- † Clark Mullins † Lauren Nietubicz † Ruby Parris † Eden Perling † Heidi Perling † Ed Pyatt †
- † Dwayne Richard † Jessica Reed † Waldo Ruehs † Melvin and Joan Rust † Belinda Schuler †
- † Ben & Elaine Schumacher † Ben Paul & Martha Schumacher † Inez Shirley and Theresa Jones †
- † Smitty and Mary Smith † Donna Thomas † Roberta Thornsberry † Tom Ulmer † John Vaughan †
- † Becky Vogel † Ron Weaver † James Webbink † Jerome Welliver † Lisa Weinhold †
- † Mike Wilson † Donna Wogan † Jessica Wood-Stewart † Christian Worth † Paul Zander †
- † The Family of Effa Zens †

Pray for:

† All members of the medical field † For justice and an end to civil strife †