

# Last Sunday of the Church Year November 22, 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 November 22<sup>nd</sup> at Faith

Organist	Ben Schumacher
Acolyte	
Altar	Lee Phinney
Guild	·
Ushers	

Asst.	Dave Matthews, Jr.
Minister	
Greeters	
Refreshments	
<b>Sermon Title</b>	As a Summary of All

# Confession and Absolution

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

#### Invocation

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

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 151

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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.

#### Confession of Sins

LSB 151

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution LSB 151

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

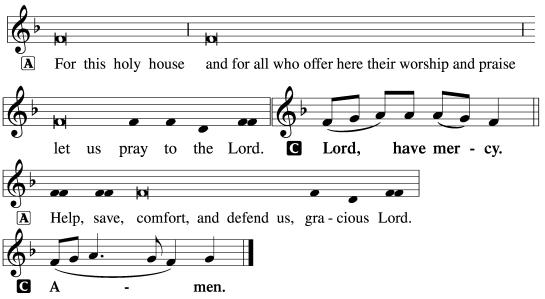
#### 735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



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- **P** I am the Alpha and the Omega,
- **C** the first and the last, the beginning and the end. *Revelation 22:13*







#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray. Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

## **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

A The Old Testament Reading for The Last Sunday of the Church Year is from Ezekiel, chapter 34.

<sup>11</sup>"For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. . . .

<sup>20</sup> Therefore, thus says the Lord GoD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

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



<sup>Antiphon</sup> For he | is our God,\*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

<sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;\*

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

<sup>2</sup>Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;\*

let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a | great God,\*

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

<sup>4</sup>In his hand are the depths | of the earth;\*

the heights of the mountains are his | also.

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he | made it,\* and his hands formed the | dry land.

<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;\* let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

<sup>7</sup>For he | is our God,\*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

## **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

**A** The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup>For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. <sup>28</sup>When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

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

Please rise



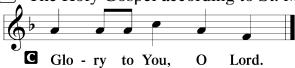
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## **Holy Gospel**

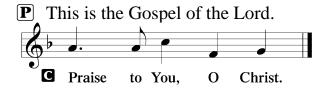
*Matthew 25:31–46* 

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

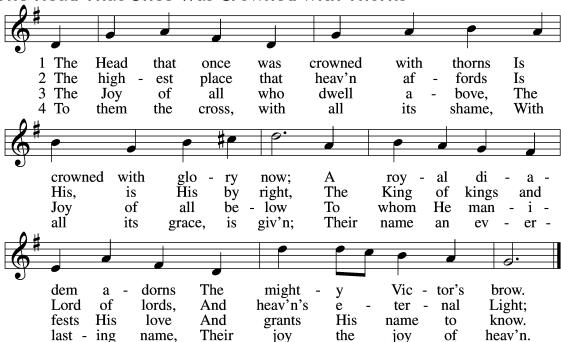


<sup>31</sup>[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup>And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? <sup>38</sup>And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' <sup>40</sup>And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

<sup>41</sup>"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



#### 532 The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

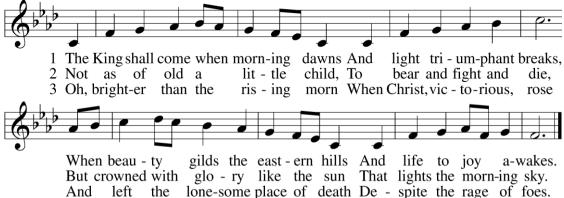


- 5 They suffer with their Lord below, They reign with Him above, Their profit and their joy to know The myst'ry of His love.
- 6 The cross He bore is life and health,
  Though shame and death to Him:
  His people's hope, His people's wealth,
  Their everlasting theme.

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#### Sermon

# 348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns



- 4 Oh, brighter than that glorious morn
  Shall dawn upon our race
  The day when Christ in splendor comes
  And we shall see His face.
- 5 The King shall come when morning dawns And light and beauty brings. Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray: Come quickly, King of kings!

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#### **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.

#### 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.

A 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.

A 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.

#### 652 Father, We Thank Thee



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## **Proper Preface**

P It is truly good, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



# Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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."

#### **Proclamation of Christ**

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- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

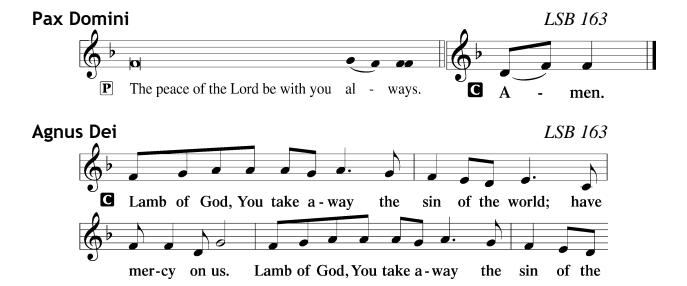
#### Lord's Prayer

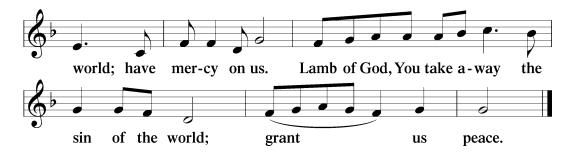
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

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.





#### 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** Please see our Communion Statement on page 2.







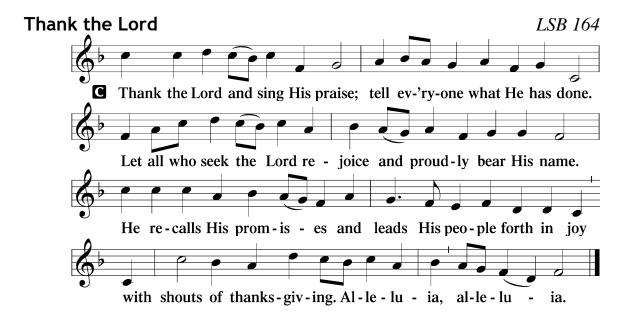
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#### Please rise

#### The Dismissal

- **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.



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

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 166

The Lord bless you and keep you.

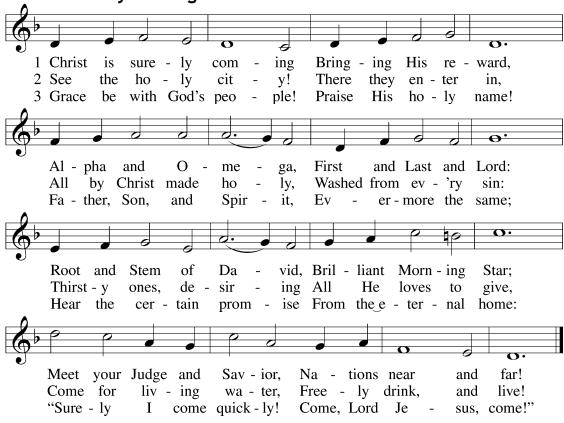
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Please be seated.





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#### FELC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK IN PERSON AND THROUGH ZOOM

Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Study- The Acts of the Apostles	
	10:30 PM	Divine Service	
Tuesday	3:30 PM	Bible Class – The Gospel of John	
Wednesday	Time TBD	Christmas Decorating	
Thursday		Thanksgiving Day	
Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Study- The Acts of the Apostles	
	10:30 PM	Divine Service	

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWERS are placed by Brian and Martha Strong in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

**LAST WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWERS** were placed in celebration of Liz Joyce and Barb BonGiovanni's birthdays.

**FWC ANNUAL DIAPER DRIVE** begins next Sunday Nov 29 through Jan 6. Listen to announcements at end of Worship for sizes needed most.

#### **Requesting Prayers**

#### Pray for Our Servicemen and Missionaries we support

† Franklin LaLonde † Chris MacMurray † Jacob Gan

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

Current Events	Immediate Needs	Comfort facing death	† Finnigan Heine
† Pray that we and the	† Dita Boorom	† Kristi Bailey	† Bob Hogancamp
nations would put away	† Michael Bradford	† Donna, neighbor to	† Doug Isaac
false gods, but know, trust,	† Fred Brady's Brother	Kim B.	† Mary Jones
love, and follow Jesus	† Ellen Brockson	† Family of Sandy	† Liz Joyce
† Hurricane recovery and	† Bobbie Burr	Bayston	† Marian Kubinski
restoration efforts across the Gulf Coast	† Chris Christianson	† Dennis Engstrom	† Don Major
† Fires on the West Coast;	† John Conner	† Family of Verla	† Chris Malley
prayers for rain	† Copley Family	Hinrichs	† Laine Martin
† Prayers for Peace and	† Nina Flores	† Charlie Jennings	† Marie Matthews
Justice	† Dawn & Kaley	† Family of Patty King	† Ken Merrill
† Prayer for Nation's	Gruener	† Family of Robert	† Sydney Merrill
Leaders and illness; prayer	† Darrel Hinrichs	Lafferty	† Todd Meyer
for the Lord to do His will	† Kaye Holsten	† Family of Jim Matthews	† Jenny Miessler
through our local, state,	† Herb Houser	† Family of Treadwell	† Ed Pyatt
and national elections	† Francis Iversen	'Smitty' Smith	† Dwayne Richard
† Health Workers	† Joelle Jones	† Family of Mary Lou	† Melvin and Joan Rust
† Educators & Students	† Marge Kohl	Zastrow	† Ben Paul Schumacher
Thanksgivings	† Bill & Irene Leitgeb	Long Term Needs	† Donna Thomas
† Joelle Jones &	† Clif Loman	† Inge Allen	† Tom Ulmer
Family	† Clark Mullins	† The Boettger Family	† John Vaughan
† Leonard Martin	† Anthony Nolting	† Barb BonGiovanni	† Becky Vogel
† Lincoln Paul Richard	† Molly Perling	† Ray Crosby	† Jerome Welliver
† Jane Robinson	† Renate Phillips	† Maureen Drees	† Lisa Weinhold
† Ben Schumacher	† Waldo Ruehs	† Jerry & Janet Driscoll	† Mike Wilson
† Flori Scheuermann	† Roberta Thornsberry	† Sharon Green	† Donna Wogan
† Sharon Scheuermann	† Ron Weaver	† Mary Heimsoth	
† Teresa Jones			