

Old Testament *Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

¹“And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. ...

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

Epistle *Ephesians 6:10–20*

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and

having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Holy Gospel *Mark 7:14–23*

¹⁴And [Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”



About the Cover: “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” is a fitting hymn about the lesson of today’s Epistle. We stand up for Jesus because He empowers us to do so by working faith in us. On our own, we are weak and would falter and fall under the oppressive pressure of sin. The devil is overcome by Christ, who has gained the victory for us. We offer our worship and praise for His gift of faith.

That you may be able to stand

Ephesians 6:11

15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 29 & September 2, 2018

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151
Hymns: 740, 710, 805, 629, 438, 643
Sermon: "The Hounds of Heaven!"
Psalm 23:6a

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 8/22 (Wed.): 52	Comm.: 47	Offering: \$1,080.00
Attendance 8/26 (Sun.): 83	Comm.: 73	Offering: \$1,871.00
Budget Needs: \$3,397.00		Scrip Profit 8/26: \$60.25

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

MON (9/3) Labor Day – Office Closed
WED (9/5) 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m. – **Worship**
SUN (9/9) 8:00 a.m. – 1st Day of S.S./No B.C.
9:00 a.m. – **Outdoor Worship**
10:00 a.m. – 6th Grade Meeting
10:30 a.m. – Potluck Dinner
10:30 a.m. – Elders
6:30 p.m. – Farm & Home 4H
Installation of S.S. Staff

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Tom & Danielle Schneider who were united in marriage on Saturday (9/1); Linda Streck who is recovering from surgery; Jules & Carol Clausing upon their 65th anniversary; Tyler & Nicole Behnke upon the birth of a baby boy.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Jon & JoAnn Mignon in honor of their anniversary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins on Sunday, September 9 at 8 a.m.

SCHOOL KITS – A flyer can be found in your church mailbox. School items are now on sale. Please donate complete kits and only complete kits. Cash may also be donated. The deadline is September 9.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE will be held on Sunday, Sep. 9 at 9 a.m. We will gather on the east side of the church with the memorial garden as our backdrop. Bring your lawn chairs and your friends!

KICK OFF TO SUNDAY SCHOOL CHURCH POTLUCK will be held on September 9 in the fellowship hall following the outdoor worship service. Shredded pork sandwiches and beans will be provided. There is no charge, but a free will offering will be taken to support the Sunday school mission project for Nicole Wittmann. There are 2 sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board: one to indicate the number attending and one for a dish to pass for those who would like to bring something.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES: Be sure to drop off your school address as well as your school email at the church office or email the information to sblcbrillion@gmail.com as soon as you have them. *Thank you.*

TRINITY LUTHERAN DAYCARE – FULL TIME DIRECTOR POSITION – Trinity Lutheran Daycare is accepting applications for a full-time director position. If you are interested in a job description and/or application, please contact Trinity daycare office (trinity.rantouldaycare@gmail.com) or the school board chairman, Tracy DeGroot (tracydegroot163@gmail.com).

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Luke 17: 18-19 Jesus said, "Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way' your faith has made you well." Faith and thanksgiving go together. How could they not go together? Our Lord gave Himself for us, and we trust Him and His every Word. Once we have this faith, we want to say thank you – it's only natural. And thus our stewardship is only a natural part of the Christian faith – we thank the Lord with our gifts which enable the Church to reach more with the Good News of Christ.