

## Old Testament

*Isaiah 51:1–6*

<sup>1</sup>“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. <sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. <sup>3</sup>For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup>“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. <sup>5</sup>My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. <sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

## Epistle

*Romans 11:33–12:8*

<sup>33</sup>Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! <sup>34</sup>“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” <sup>35</sup>“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?”

<sup>36</sup>For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by

the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. <sup>6</sup>Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; <sup>7</sup>if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; <sup>8</sup>the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

## Holy Gospel

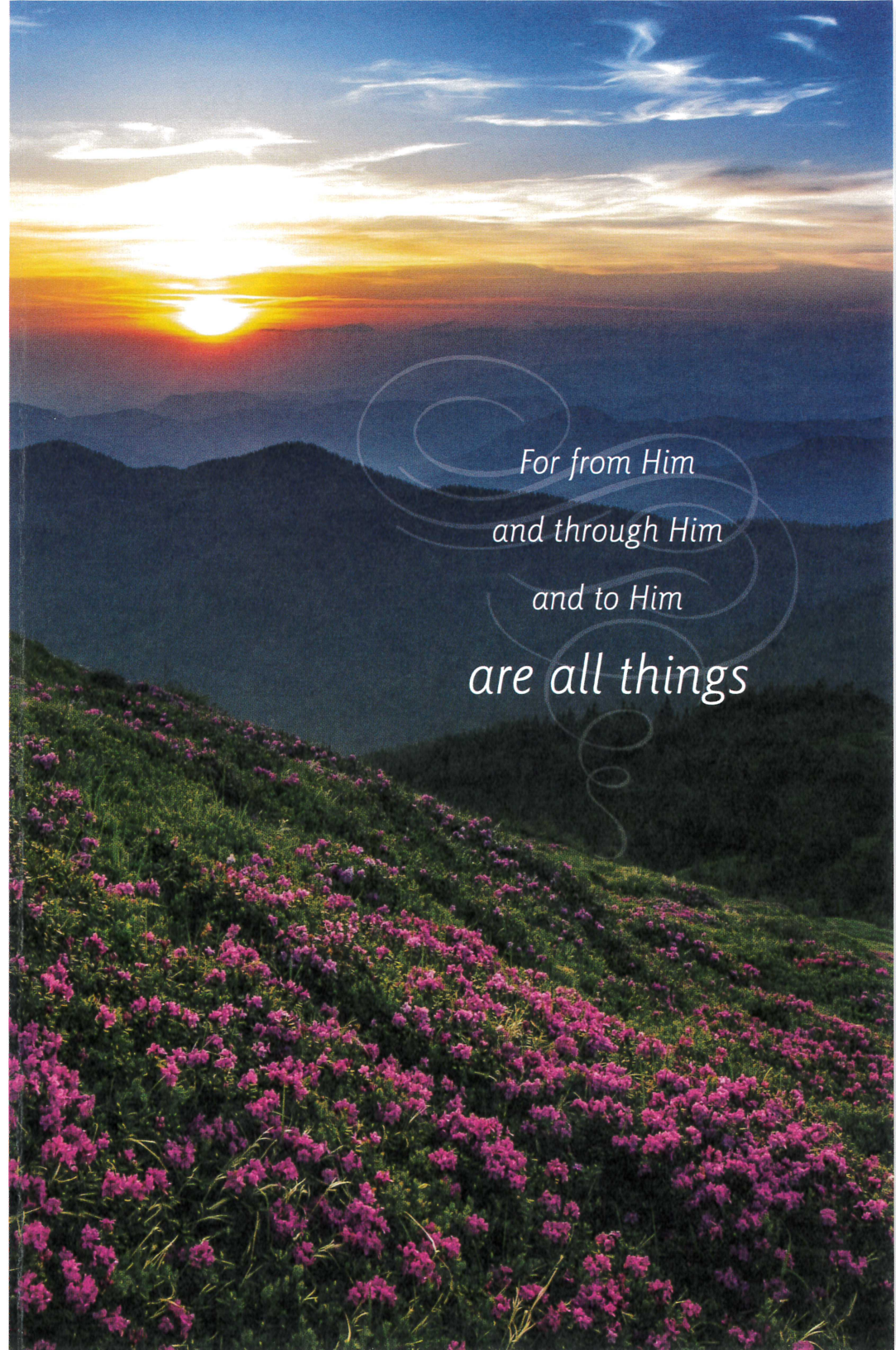
*Matthew 16:13–20*

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” <sup>14</sup>And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup>He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup>Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

**About the Cover:** While the whole world can marvel at the splendor of the creation with its vibrant color and life, it is through the Christ, the Word alone, that we come to know its Maker. In the Word made flesh, the One through whom all things were made (see John 1:3, 14), we have forgiveness, life, and salvation. Because we know Christ, we can delight even more in the beauty of creation because it is a gift.



Pentecost





# 13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 23 & 27, 2023

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***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 8/16 (Wed): 28	Comm.: 23	Offering: \$666.06
Attendance 8/20 (Sun): 77	Comm.: 58	Offering: \$2,358.07
Budget Needs: \$3,098.21		Scrip Profit 8/20: \$11.88

## KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (8/30) 7:00 p.m. – Worship  
SUN (9/3) 9:00 a.m. – Worship

**IN OUR PRAYERS** we remember Harlen Krahn; Fran (father of Brigitte Sonnabend); Vincent Sucivic (grandson of Duane & Karen Loose), Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules Clausing (infection), Carol Clausing, Sandy Haberland, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, and Terry Brandenburg.

**TODAY'S BULLETINS** are sponsored by Stephanie Petersen.

**BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL** will begin on Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**BRUNCH & BABY SHOWER** – Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m. St. Bart's is having a Brunch and a Baby Shower for Pastor and Ashley Brandmahl. There is no cost for the meal, but please bring a gift for Baby Boy Brandmahl. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin

board. A wish list from Pastor and Ashley will be on the bulletin board soon.

**MEAL TRAIN** – There is a meal train site set up for Lori & John Krueger for anyone who would like to help out with meals for them. You can use the link listed to get to the site to sign up for meals. <https://mealtrain.com/r5nnmw>

**COLLEGE ADDRESSES** – It's that time of year again. College students and parents of college students please share your or your son's/daughter's college contact information (address, phone #, email address) with the church office as soon as you have it. *Thank you!*

**FOOD PANTRY ITEMS** – The food pantry is in need of donations. They can use any type of non-perishable food items. Please check expiration dates because the pantry cannot except expired items. The box is located on the floor next to the produce table in the coat room. *Thank you!*

**AUGUST CALENDARS** are available in the racks by the newsletters.

**POWER POINT ASSISTANTS** are needed. If you'd like to help with the PowerPoint during the worship, please sign up on the bulletin board.

**MITE BOX** – The LWML Mite Box is on the small table in the narthex for anyone wishing to put their change in throughout the year. Mites go towards many different grants to help those in need. There is a list of them by the mite box.

**GRASS CUTTERS** – we are looking for volunteers to cut the grass. You can sign up for a week or a month. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact the trustees.

**PRODUCE TABLE** – If you have any extra garden produce during the summer months that you would like to share with members of the congregation, drop it off on the table in the coat room. Items can be left on or taken from the table anytime during the week.