

# Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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*A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*



*Twelfth Sunday after Trinity*

*Divine Service Three*

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## Invocation (Please stand)

**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,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word pg. 184

## Introit (sung responsively)



Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!\*

O LORD, make haste to | help me!

**Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion\***

**who | seek my life!**

Let them be | turned back\*

and brought to dishonor who de- | sire my hurt!

**May all who seek | you rejoice\***

**and be | glad in you!**

You are my help and my de- | liverer;\*

O LORD, do | not delay!

*Glory be to the Father and / to the Son\**

*and to the Holy / Spirit;*

*as it was in the be- / ginning,\**

*is now, and will be forever. / Amen.*

Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!\*

O LORD, make haste to | help me!

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who | seek my life!

## Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; 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

*Isaiah 29:17–24*

<sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while  
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,  
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

<sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear  
the words of a book,  
and out of their gloom and darkness  
the eyes of the blind shall see.

<sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,  
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

<sup>20</sup>For the ruthless shall come to nothing  
and the scoffer cease,  
and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off,

<sup>21</sup>who by a word make a man out to be an offender,  
and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate,  
and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

<sup>22</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob:

“Jacob shall no more be ashamed,  
no more shall his face grow pale.

<sup>23</sup>For when he sees his children,  
the work of my hands, in his midst,  
they will sanctify my name;  
they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob  
and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

<sup>24</sup>And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding,  
and those who murmur will accept instruction.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

**I will bless the LORD at | all times,\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast | in the LORD,\*  
let the humble hear | and be glad.**

## Epistle

*Romans 10:9–17*

<sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” <sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

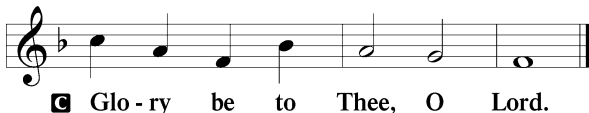
## Alleluia



## Holy Gospel

*Mark 7:31–37*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “**Ephphatha,**” that is, “**Be opened.**” <sup>35</sup>And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

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



## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,

**the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

#545 Word of God, Come Down on Earth

Sermon

Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Offering

### Prayer of the Church

#### *We remember all those in need of continued strength and healing*

*Macie Saalfrank, Garrett Werling*

*Bryce Bonman, Ron Whitesel, Sandy Avey*

*Rbett Nabrwoold (2 year old son of Adam and Allie)*

*Ellie Anderson (friend of Sarena Wirgau)*

*Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys)*

*Tom Black (father of Ed Black), Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)*

*Barbara Murphy (Melissa Price's grandmother)*

*We pray for our expectant mothers:* *Brittany (Conrad) Clausius, Lynae Laley, Danielle Campbell*

*We pray for protection:* *Pastor and Mrs. Moebring's son Stephen in Israel.*

#### *We pray for our members shut-in:*

*Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)*

*Marilyn Meyer (Kingston)*

*Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)*

*Gloria Siela (living with son, Gary)*

*Charlotte Bultemeier (StoryPoint West)*

*Rev. Donald Lutz (Lutheran Life Village)*

*Norwin Bauermeister (Astral in Auburn)*

*We pray for our Church, School and all her workers*

*We pray for all military personnel*



# Service of the Sacrament pg. 194

## Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



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

**P** 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  $\text{✝}$  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  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

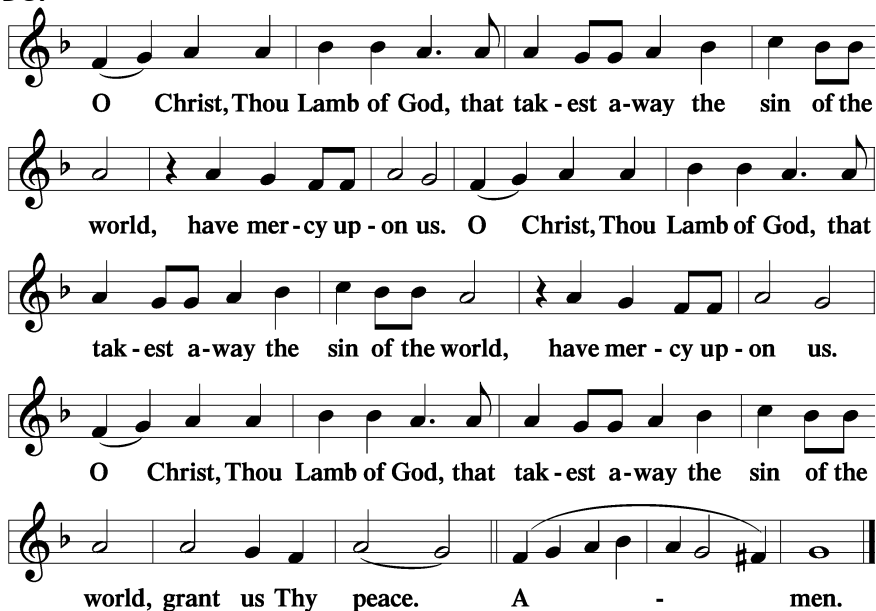


**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

## Agnus Dei



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

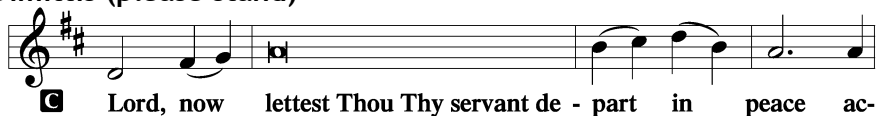
## Distribution

**Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper** in our worship. Bethlehem Lutheran Church administers this Holy Supper in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we receive, along with the Bread and Wine, the very Body and Blood of Jesus through which we receive the forgiveness of sins. Furthermore, the communicants as a body of believers make a confession of the unity of their faith. **Those desiring to receive the Sacrament with us, who are not communicant members of Bethlehem or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, are asked to please speak with the Pastor before the service.**

## Distribution Hymns

- #642 O Living Bread from Heaven
- #533 Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure
- #841 O Son of God, in Galilee
- #421 Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing
- #643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

## Nunc Dimittis (please stand)



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

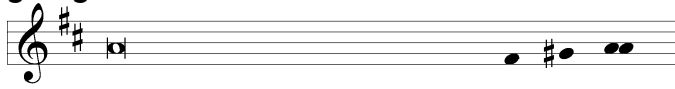


to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

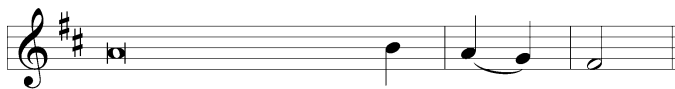


is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**B** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## 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.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

### Benedicamus

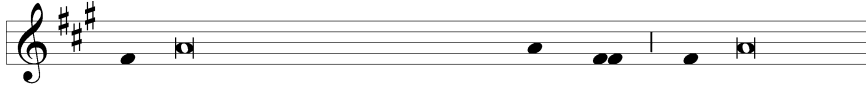


**A** Bless we the Lord.

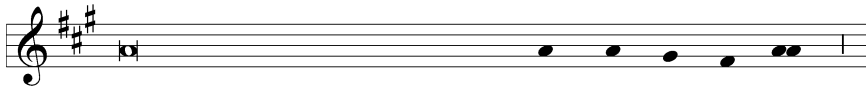


**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



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



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

### Closing Hymn

### #549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

## IN HIS SERVICE

<b>Preaching</b>	Rev. Samuel Wirgau
<b>Celebrant</b>	Rev. Anthony Dodgers
<b>Vicar</b>	Sem. Morgan Phillips
<b>Deaconess</b>	Wendy Boehm
<b>Head Elder</b>	Glen Werling
<b>Elders on Duty</b>	Glen Werling and Bruce Werling
<b>Kantor</b>	Richard Brinkley
<b>Organist</b>	Emilie Meyer
<b>Acolytes</b>	Elders
<b>Altar Guild Chairman</b>	Tisha Laley and Cheryl Louison
<b>Ushers</b>	Travis Avey, Jeff Gresley, Dean Scheumann Peyton Laley, Jared Meyer, Kyle Patrick

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*Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at [bethlehemossiansec@gmail.com](mailto:bethlehemossiansec@gmail.com) or the church office at 597-7121.*

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion</b>
	10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:15 a.m. Church Council Meeting
	11:30 a.m. Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m. Spoken Divine Service</b>
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**WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS this morning** to our church and worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We ask that you please complete a green visitor's card from the pew and place in the offering plate. Also, please be sure to introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance and feel free to worship with us again.

**THANK YOU** – Marilyn Meyer wishes to thank everyone for the cards, kind words and prayers sent for her recent 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – TODAY Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** -Please join us TODAY for Sunday school classes. We will be discussing different sections of the catechism each Sunday. There will be a class for adults (Fellowship Hall), preschool-2nd (1-2 Classroom), and 3rd-8th grade (3-4Classroom). We will have regular Sunday school classes beginning after Labor Day. Along with the regular Sunday School classes, we will also be offering a Nursery age class (crawling-age 2). This class will go along with the Enduring Faith Sunday School Curriculum we currently use in the other classes. The purpose of this class is designed for toddlers to engage in God's word at an age-appropriate level. Depending on age and number of children, parents may be asked to stay. We are also looking for gently used bouncers, pack and play, etc. for this class (Thrivent Cards) if anyone has any they would be willing to donate. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please speak with Mrs. Phillips or Deaconess Boehm.

**Youth Bible Study:** Kick Off event with Taco Bar will be Sunday, August 25th at Vicar and Mrs. Phillips house at 6:30. An email was sent out to parents with more information. If you did not receive the email but are interested in learning more, please contact Deaconess Boehm or Vicar Phillips.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who made donations to the sacristy improvement. The Women of Bethlehem appreciate the generosity of our members.

**THERE IS A GARDENERS TABLE SET UP IN THE NORTH HALLWAY** for those who would like to share their garden crops or for those wanting to enjoy taking what is on the table.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The Right to Life of Northeast Indiana's fall banquet is Monday, October 14 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. The Keynote speaker will be actor Jim Caviezel! Tables are now open to sponsor! Individual tickets will go on sale soon! Please view the following link for more information and details.

<https://www.ichooselife.org/resources/events/upcoming-events/uniting-our-county->

for-life-banquet *We have a small group attending from Bethlehem. If interested in participating, there is a sign up sheet located in the church narthex on the Right to Life table or please contact Pastor Wirgau.*

**LADIES, DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER! WOMEN'S RETREAT** – Sept. 27-29

This is not your typical women's retreat! Spend an incredible fall weekend at Camp Lakeview in Seymour, IN, and enjoy adventures that range from the extreme (like zip lining) to the relaxing (like hot tubbing under the stars). Experience a huge faith boost through intentional times of worship, campfire devotions, speaker sessions with CPH author, Donna Snow, and personal quiet time. Get away from the stress of ordinary life to rest and enjoy a different change of pace. Enjoy fellowship with women of all ages and leave with new-found connections and friendships. This is a weekend for YOU! Register online at <https://lakeview.camp/women/>. If you would like to stay with friends, you can request your roommates when registering. After registering, please sign up on the sheet located on the WOB bulletin board in the North hallway so we know who is attending or contact Deann Oliver for more information (616-894-0144).

**Upcoming Decatur LWML events are:** Saturday, September 14 is the Fall Gathering at St. Peter Fuelling. Our speaker will be Rev. Peter Brock who will give us an update on the Tanzania Children's Home. A free-will offering will go towards the Tanzanian Mission. Saturday, October 5 is the SRD (Spiritual Resource Department) Workshop at St. Paul – Preble. We will be marking Bibles for prisons and local missions.

**GriefShare:** GriefShare provides a safe environment to help navigate loss through a grief support group ([www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)). A group is being offered at Emmanuel Soest (9909 Wayne Trace in Ft. Wayne) on Saturday, August 17, at 10 a.m. and continue through November 9. Each session lasts about 2 hours. You may register with Mary Hines at [mh9744@gmail.com](mailto:mh9744@gmail.com) or call her at 705-0454 or 483-1487. Contact Deaconess Boehm for more information 260-415-8526.

We will be continuing what used to be "**The Widow's Club**" and recreating it to incorporate not only widows but also single, divorced, homebound, and others in need of companionship/fellowship. The first event will be on Sunday, August 25th at "Great Wall Buffet" (3824 W Jefferson Blvd). We can leave from church to carpool or can meet at the restaurant. Contact Gail Werling 443-1413 if interested in attending or if you need a ride.

**Shakespeare at the Dodgers' Home** - One of the best parts of reading or watching Shakespeare is getting the jokes! But some of us need a little help following it sometimes. It can help to read and talk about the play before you go see it. A couple of our church members are performing in Bluffton (September 13-15) in Shakespeare's play, *Much Ado*



*About Nothing.* So you're invited to gather at the Dodgers' home to read it in advance and get some explanation along the way. You can take part in the reading or just follow along and listen. No worries if you have no experience with Shakespeare. It's a fun story. Weather permitting, we'll sit outside, so please bring a lawn chair. Snacks to share are welcome but not required. We will also provide some copies of the play. We will meet on three Saturdays, August 24 & 31 and September 7, from 1-3pm. Address: 812 N Jefferson St, Ossian.

**A Decatur Circuit Forum is Scheduled for Sunday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John, Bingen.** At this meeting, the church's delegates will elect the next Circuit Visitor. Also on the agenda are two presentations: Pastor Peter Brock will give an update on the work in Tanzania (with recent pictures) and Pastor Don Sauls will share information and updates about the work of Compassionate Ministries. All the members of our circuit congregations are invited to come and hear about the Lord's work supported by our circuit churches.

**Sunday September 15 - WOB all women's meeting at 8am in Fellowship Hall  
Tuesday October 1 - WOB Board meeting at 7pm in Fellowship Hall**

**DIAPER DRIVE** – We will be collecting diapers for the Women’s Care Center in Fort Wayne and the Hope Clinic in Decatur. Starting Wednesday, August 21- September 11<sup>th</sup>. Collection boxes will be in the church narthex. Please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board for more information.

**Offering August 11, 2024**

<u>Average weekly need \$13,818</u>	
Home Fund Env.	\$9,608.51
Synod	145.15
Loose	199.19
Scholarship Fund	125.00
Improvement Fund	150.50
Endowment Fund	25.00
Music Fund	
Sunday School	5.25
Memorials	2,335.00
Roembke Endow.	<u>1,132.09</u>
Total	\$14,175.69

**Financial Report**

<b>Home Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$3,278.92</b>
Next week bills due:	\$6,000
Bills due two weeks:	\$28,000
<b>Savings Account Balance</b>	<b>\$92,888.48</b>
Borrowed from Savings:	\$26,300
Operating Loan Debt:	\$0.00

**Church/Communion Attendance**

Sunday	210/155
Wednesday	32/27

## RECITATION & PRAYER FOR SCHOOL AND HOME

*The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.*

**In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

What are the Ten Commandments?

**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.**

What is the 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.**

- *Additional Memory Work for the week may be recited.*
- *A hymn may be sung.*
- *Scripture Reading and Devotion Lesson*
- *Prayers and Intercessions*

*The 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.**

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

**Learn-by-heart all or some of the provided text as age and ability of your household allows.**

*What is the Third Commandment?*

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.**

*What is Romans 10:17?*

**Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.**

**Romans 10:17**

*What is the Fourth Commandment?*

**Honor your father and your mother.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.**

*What is Ephesians 6:1-3?*

**Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”**

**Ephesians 6:1-3**