

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

May 19, 2024

AS WE GATHER

We are people of the Word and people of the Spirit. The Word is where the ministry of the Spirit is at work leading and guiding the church and each of us as members of that church by Baptism and faith. The Spirit leads us to Christ so that Christ may present us to the Father, washed in His blood and wearing the white robes of His righteousness. This is not good news for the few but the message God has called us to proclaim to all the peoples. That which is most spiritual is not what is bestowed apart from the concrete or real but what is conveyed through the means of grace. Our life together in the Spirit is manifest in our life together hearing, believing, and rejoicing in His Word and Sacraments.

✠ PREPARATION ✠

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:24

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

HYMN “Father Most Holy”

{LSB 504 – 4 stanzas}

Father most holy, merciful, and tender;
Spirit of comfort, advocate, defender,

Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning;
Light never waning;

Trinity blessed, unity unshaken,
Light of the angels, joy of those forsaken,

Goodness unbounded, very God of heaven,
Hope of all living,

Maker of all things, all Thy creatures praise Thee;
Now, as we also worship Thee devoutly,

All for Thy worship were and are created;
Hear Thou our voices.

(please stand)

Lord God Almighty, unto Thee be glory,
Glory we offer, praise Thee and adore Thee,

One in three persons, over all exalted!
Now and forever.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES **John 7:37–39**

Pastor: On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

People: Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”

Pastor: Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: 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.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

✠ **WORD** ✠

INTROIT *Antiphon, Psalm 104:24, 27-28a, 30*

Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful.

People: and kindle in them the fire of your love, Alleluia.

Pastor: How many are your works, O Lord,

People: In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures,

Pastor: These all look to you

People: to give them their food at the proper time.

Pastor: When you give it to them,

People: they gather it up.

Pastor: When you send your Spirit, they are created,

People: and you renew the face of the earth.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful.

People: and kindle in them the fire of your love, Alleluia.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Ezekiel 37:1-14

(The valley of the dry bones hears the Word of the Lord.)

1 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. 2 And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. 3 And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8 And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

11 Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.’ 12 Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. 13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. 14 And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

Acts 2:1-21

(The Spirit descended upon the disciples as Jesus had promised.)

1 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. 5 Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. 6 And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. 7 And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, 11 both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians - we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” 12 And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” 13 But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. 15 For these people are not drunk, as you suppose since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: 17 “‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; 18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; 20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great

and magnificent day. 21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

(please stand)

HOLY GOSPEL:

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

(“When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth.”)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth and sixteenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

15:26 “But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

16:4b “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. 12 “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

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 ☩ of the world to come. Amen. *(please be seated)*

HYMN

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

{Maranatha Praise 2nd Ed. – 3 stanzas}

Lord, the light of Your love is shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Shine on me, shine on me

In the midst of the darkness, shining
Set us free by the truth You now bring us

Refrain: *Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light*

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
By the blood, I may enter Your brightness
Shine on me, shine on me

From the shadows into Your radiance
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Refrain:

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
Ever-changing from glory to glory
Shine on me, shine on me

So our faces display Your likeness
Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story
Refrain:

MESSAGE: “New Life for Dead Bones”

Ezekiel 37:1-14

A LITANY FOR GRADUATES –

Gus Addington - Bella Betancourt – Amelie Brosien – Amani Rhoads – Brooke Rutledge
(High School graduates and their parents/guardians stand at the front of the church.)

Pastor: Paul wrote to young Timothy: I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God . . . (2 Tim. 1:5-6)

Grads: We thank God for our families and those who taught us.

Parents: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. (Prov 3:5-6)

Grads: We will trust God’s Word to direct our lives.

Parents: Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. (Matt 6:33)

Grads: We will trust in the Lord for our future.

People: . . . because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him . . . (Eph 1:15-17)

Grads: We thank you for your prayers as we go out into the world.

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

Pastor: Almighty God, thank You for blessing all who are about to graduate. Thank You for the family members who supported and encouraged them. Thank You for the teachers who inspired them throughout the years. Thank You for their classmates and friends. Bless their use of their education. Lead all the graduates to the work that You know is a blessing to them and others. In Jesus’ name, we pray.

People: Amen.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS - *(Messiah Sowers provide gifts of blessing for these graduates)*

BLESSING OF GRADUATES - *[Graduates and parents return to their seats.]*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(please stand)

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs . . . Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer

Pastor: Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for who we pray, trusting in Your mercy;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen. *(please be seated)*

OFFERING

If you are a **visitor** this morning, you are our guest. Please do not feel obligated to give as the offering plate is passed. The offering is an opportunity for **members** to practice faithful stewardship and to support the ministries of Christ's church.

OFFERING SONG: "We Give Thee But Thine Own" {LSB 781 vv. 1-2}

(Please sing as the offering is presented at the Altar)

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

(please stand)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: 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 ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: 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."

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen

AGNUS DEI

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,

You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
You take the sin of the world away;
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(please be seated)

HYMN: “O Lord, We Praise Thee”

{LSB 617 - 3 stanzas}

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
O Lord, have mercy!
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
In all trial, fear, and need:

In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Our weak souls that they may flourish:
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
And Thy blood for us plead
O Lord, have mercy!

Thy holy body into death was given,
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
O Lord, have mercy!
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
Peace with God once more is made:

Life to win for us in heaven.
May this feast thereof remind us!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
All our debt Thou hast paid;
O Lord, have mercy!

May God bestow on us His grace and favor
And live together here in love and union
O Lord, have mercy!
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Days of peace and unity:

That we follow Christ our Savior
Nor despise this blest Communion!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
O Lord, have mercy!

HYMN: “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

{LSB 913 – 5 stanzas}

O Holy Spirit, enter in,
Your dwelling place now make us.
Around and in us brightly shine,
That we may be Truly living,
And in love be still increasing.

And in our hearts Your work begin,
Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
To joy and gladness wake us
To You giving Prayer unceasing

Give to Your Word impressive pow'r,
As fire it may be glowing,
We faithful witnesses may be,
Hear us, cheer us By Your teaching;
Praise You, Lord, and serve our neighbor.

That in our hearts from this good hour
That in true Christian unity
Your glory ever showing.
Let our preaching And our labor

O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
In us be strongly burning
And live in love and holy faith,
Your grace and peace
By Your power Christ confessing,

Let Your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
That we be faithful unto death
From You true wisdom learning.
On us shower;
Let us see our Savior's blessing

HYMN: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

{LSB 643 – 2 stanzas}

Sent forth by God's blessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
O now be extended
The seed of His teaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His love shall unite us

Our true faith confessing,
The Supper is ended.
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
Receptive souls reaching,
His grace did invite us,
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
In love ever caring,
With Your feast You feed us,
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
With praise and thanksgiving

To God ever-living,
Our faith ever sharing,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your light now lead us;
Then may all the living
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

(please stand)

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may rule and direct us according to Your will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth that we, being steadfast in faith, may increase in all good works and in the end obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

(please be seated)

HYMN: “Now Thank We All Our God”

{LSB 895 - 3 stanzas}

Now thank we all our God
Who wondrous things has done,
Who from our mothers’ arms
With countless gifts of love

With hearts and hands and voices,
In whom His world rejoices;
Has blest us on our way
And still is ours today.

Oh, may this bounteous God
With ever joyful hearts
And keep us in His grace
And free us from all ills

Through all our life be near us,
And blessèd peace to cheer us
And guide us when perplexed
In this world and the next!

(please stand)

All praise and thanks to God
The Son, and Him who reigns
The one eternal God,
For thus it was, is now,

The Father now be given,
With them in highest heaven,
Whom earth and heav’n adore;
And shall be evermore.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve our living Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MAY ALTAR FLOWERS

May 5th - Joyce & Janis Meier - in Memory of Parents - Floyd & Alma Meier

May 12th – Linda Dicke – thanksgiving for our Moms

May 19th - Mario & Eve Betancourt - celebrating Bella’s 19th birthday

May 19th - Kim & Maurine Maloy - in Memory of Avery Maloy Bailey

May 26th - Joe & Verna Sorensen - celebrating 56 years of marriage

May 26th - Tony & Kathy Giardinelli - celebrating 46 years of marriage

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...

Prayers for **Pastor Vanderbush** as he & wife Holly prepare to answer our call & relocate to Boerne.
Prayers for **Pastor Lofgren** as he assists Pastor Vanderbush, & as he prepares for his next call as an Intentional Interim Pastor in service to God & the Texas district.

Mario & Eve Betancourt request prayers for the family of **Reece Richeson** who passed away this week after a yearlong battle against brain cancer.

Holly Vanderbush as she recovers from a broken arm

Kirk Marchell requests prayer for his **Uncle Paul** in Grand Forks, ND, who is still struggling after recent heart stent placements.

Vonda Petmecky is thankful for her successful heart procedure & prayers for continued healing

Amelie Brosien who is recovering from surgery on her knee

Karen Brosien's brother who remains in critical condition

Pual Duennenberg's brother-in-law, **J. R. Rittimann** who is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer

Ruben Lopez as he meets with family

Pastor Rick Pfaff prayers of thanksgiving for successful kidney transplant & continued healing

Bill Thomas thanksgiving for successful hip replacement & prayers for continued rehab & recovery

John Soper who is recovering at Menger Springs in Boerne; and for **wife Susie**.

Jim Minica thankful to be home recovering from **Quadruple Heart Bypass** surgery

Prayers for **Sue Parker's sister Jeannie** - preparing to take chemo for spread of her throat cancer

Rolf Schultz who is being evaluated for a heart Watchman procedure

Prayers for **Chris Carter & wife Penny** as Chris continues chemo & radiation

Kathleen Blakely requests prayer for niece, **Michelle Mohnke O'Brian**, dealing with breast cancer

Brad & Laura Sanders request prayers for Laura's Father, **Jack**

Terry Chhabra who is having vision problems

Prayers for **Gloria Bloecher** dealing with side effects of medication

Debra Beard requests prayers for her brother, **Tod Dunlevy** in Wisconsin

Rutledge Family requests prayers for **Sister-in-Law Heather Mulledy's** breast cancer

Parkers & Theis request prayers for **Robert Patterson** undergoing cancer treatment

Kathlin Jauregui requests prayers for the **Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center's** fund-raising efforts including **Baby Bottle Boomerang**

Prayers for Justice & Peace around the world, especially with tensions in the Middle East

For family discord, reconciliation, & healing; for rescue for those in abusive relationships

Prayers for all those with physical, emotional, & those who are lost to hear & receive Jesus

**Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in Your mercy; thru Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

WELCOME . . . *Whoever you are . . . Wherever you have come from . . . we are so glad you are here!* Your presence increases our joy as we praise our loving Savior together. If you are visiting with us today, we'd love to get to know you!

Visitors - *If you are visiting with us today, we'd love to get to know you! Please don't forget to sign your name and fill in your contact information in the red booklets on the inside aisle!*

Messiah Members – *please remember to record your attendance in the red booklets and pass them down the pew to your neighbors so they can record their attendance as well!*

Adult Bible Study - *Pastor Lofgren will continue his study in the Begin book*

Sunday Afternoon Adult Bible Study – *Will meet for the last study **TODAY** and then break for summer. The last message will be from Amos 8:11 – A Spiritual Prophecy – Spiritual Famine. A great message to end on. Hope to see you all!*

Children's Church – **TODAY** - *Mario & Eve Betancourt will be hosting **Children's Church***

Messiah Prayer Breakfast and Bible Study – *May 21st we will meet at 8:30 am at Centinela,*

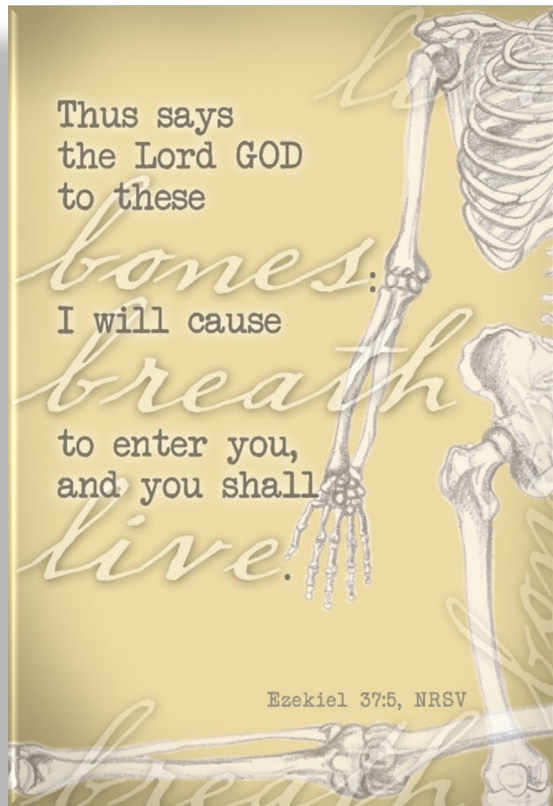
Fellowship Committee's Family Picnic – *Sat. June 1st from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Joshua Springs Park Large Pavilion – lunch will be catered by Bill Miller. Tickets are on sale now!*

Messiah Ladies Time Out - *lunch will be at 11:00 am at High Street Cafe in Comfort on Thu., June 20th where we can roam around before meeting for lunch. Kathleen Blakely has invited us all to her beautiful home nearby for dessert after! RSVP to Lindy or sign up at church!*

Adult Game Day – *Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 15th from 2:00 to 5:00 pm Family Life Center – bring your games, snacks & drinks – for a afternoon of fun and games!*

Hill Country Daily Bread - *Back-to-School Clothing Bags are now available! Please, Do Not Mark on the Outside Sticker! There is a shopping sheet included with each bag. They will need to be returned by **Sun., June 23rd***

Issues, etc. - *Psalms Bible Study - LCMS Pastor Will Weedon will begin study this week on the Book of Psalms. The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.*



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Serving us today - May 19, 2024

Elders:	Larry Risley & Ed Mycock
Coffee:	Joyce & Janis Meier
Breakfast:	Joyce & Janis Meier
Tellers:	Anthony Sansone
Chancel Care:	Kim & Maurine Maloy
Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Kid's Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Musician:	Bob Shoaf
AV:	Tony Giardinelli
Reader:	Sharon Sattler
Ushers:	Larry Rottman – Erik Sagebiel – Hal Eschenko – Russ Leachman
Greeter:	David & Sharon Sattler

Serving us next week - May 26, 2024

Elders:	Larry Risley & Ed Mycock
Coffee:	Snookie & Shirley Moore
Breakfast:	Snookie & Shirley Moore
Tellers:	Anthony Sansone
Chancel Care:	Kim & Maurine Maloy
Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Kid's Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Musician:	Bob Shoaf
AV:	David & Lorrie Wendeborn
Reader:	Pam Fields
Ushers:	Larry Rottman – Erik Sagebiel – Hal Eschenko – Russ Leachman
Greeter:	Kathy Giardinelli – Alana Kemmy

Our Response to God – May 12th

Worship Service – 81

Sunday School – 27

April 2024 Contributions			
General Fund	\$51,658.97	Building Fund	\$620.00
Renovation Fund	\$0.00	FLC Rental	\$3,862.50