

# Praying

## MINISTRY WORKERS

“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” (Luke 10:2 ESV)

## PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Pray for Christians in a northern Togo village. Their church and homes were attacked by Islamists militants.

## CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Law Enforcement Officers and Judges

## HEALING

Bryan Fevold, Chris Schaffer, Joyce Hovland, Clay Ceynar, Doyle & Deb Hagen, Wynn Murphy, Ken Mickelson, Richard Helmuth, Jean Elliott, Jessica Wisness Burns, Lori Halverson

## HOPE AND COMFORT

The Wisness Family

## CHURCH FAMILY

Dr. Stephen Van Wylen; Seth, Arianna & Lincoln Vander Ley

## SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Community of Joy LB Church- Pastor Danny Bronson, Eagan, Minnesota

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# Mission Focus

## Pray for Daniel and Nancy (Wu) Wen

Daniel and Nancy have been on home assignment in Taiwan and are currently in the US to visit friends and supporting churches. Pray for safe travels, good visits, and for good connections to be made. Pray for health for the whole family as they travel and for God to encourage and bless each of the children. Pray for their ministry in Chad as they prepare to return. Pray that God will be preparing the hearts of the people that they might receive Jesus. May God bless their family and the people they serve. (The Wens are Taiwanese nationals and are not affected by the Chad visa issues.



# Growing & Serving



## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at Arianna's house

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting  
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

**Focus: Jesus Calls Followers**  
**Supper: Loaded Baked Potato Bar**  
4:00 PM Catechism Class  
5:15 PM Supper & Fellowship  
6:00 PM Classes for all ages



## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:30 AM Morning Prayer  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
**Pastor Nate's Ordination & Installation Service**  
6:00 PM Bedrock Youth Group

## UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28- The Gideon International Presentation

## BIRTHDAYS

Sep 16	Kevin Warren	Sep 16	Piper Nash
Sep 18	Cassie Maki	Sep 20	Tanya Heiser
Sep 23	Shannon Warren	Sep 26	Timothy Downare



Welcome!

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 14, 2025

We're glad you're here to worship with us. If you're visiting with us today, we hope you'll stick around for a bit after the service. We'd love to get acquainted with you. If you'd like us to contact you, please scan our QR code on the back of the bulletin, or fill out a visitor card at our Welcome Center.

**BIBLE CENTERED** Through God's saving Word we have been adopted into God's Family and share in the saving work of Jesus Christ.

**FAMILY FOCUSED** As brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, we serve each other and worship, learn and work together.

**MISSION DRIVEN** We are engaged in Jesus' disciple-making mission - winning souls for Christ by the preaching of the Word and personal witnessing, and strengthening believers through Christian fellowship in the Word and Sacraments.



# Order of Worship

Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Prayers of the Church  
**Songs of Praise**  
Old Testament Reading  
Epistle Reading  
Children's Message  
Tithes and Offerings  
Gospel Reading  
Sermon  
**Hymn**  
Holy Communion  
**The Nicene Creed**  
**Benediction**  
**Doxology**

\* If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.

## Sermon Notes

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**Next Sunday's Readings:** Psalm 113, Amos 8:4-7, 1 Timothy 2:1-15, Luke 16:1-15

Psalm 119:169-176

Ezekiel 34:11-24

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10



## HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a

## Talking about The Ten Commandments

### The Sixth Commandment

**You shall not commit adultery (Exodus 20:14).**

**What does this mean?**

This means that we should fear and love God so that we lead a chaste and pure life, in word and deed, and that husband and wife love and respect each other.

### **74** What does God require of you in the Sixth Commandment?

God requires that I live a chaste and pure life in thought, word, and deed, whether married or unmarried, and that husband and wife love and respect each other.

### **75** What is marriage?

Marriage is the lifelong union of one man and one woman who agree to enter into this relationship and promise to care for and be faithful to each other.

**Matthew 19:4-6** "He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

### **76** Who instituted marriage?

God himself instituted marriage at Creation and has given it His blessing.



**Genesis 2:18** "Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him."

**Genesis 1:27-28** "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

## The Lord's Supper

**Who may participate?**

This sacrament is meant for believers in Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). It is the way that God unites His church, sustains the church and grows faith, hope and love as the church participates in this shared grace together. Communion is God's way of delivering assurance of the forgiveness of sins to the flock.

**What is received?**

Christ gives to the communicants His body and blood - in, with, and under the bread and wine. He declares the forgiveness of sin to all believers, and strengthens their faith.

**I feel I'm unworthy to receive**

Being unworthy of Jesus' body and blood is the primary reason to receive the forgiveness of sins promised in communion. But it is possible to receive communion with an unworthy attitude. Therefore, self-examination is called for (1 Corinthians 11:28, 31).

**I do well to ask myself:**

**1. Do I believe Jesus' promises?** "Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6).

**2. Do I recognize Jesus' presence?** "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Cor. 11:27, 29).

**3. Am I reconciled with my fellow believers?** If we do not value reconciliation with others, we put ourselves in a place where we are distancing ourselves from God's will for us. We are living in rebellion.

**4. Do I recognize my sinfulness and that it will be the death of me?** (1 John 1:5-10)

**5. Is my hope in Jesus alone as the one who can give me eternal life?**

We invite those who confess Jesus as their Savior from sin and death to receive the gift of forgiveness of sins offered and gifted in this sacrament.

**A Note for Parents**

Because communion requires time for self-examination, we do not encourage communion for children until they are old enough to be taught and old enough for self-examination. Through teaching they will appreciate its significance. Catechism Classes provide an opportunity to learn about the Lord's Supper. These classes are taught with the use of Luther's Small Catechism ... If you would like a copy of the Small Catechism for personal instruction or to instruct your children please contact the Pastor or the church office.

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