WELCOME TO WORSHIP!



15th Sunday after Pentecost September 22, 2019 • 10:00 AM

Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

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WELCOME to the CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LUTHERAN (COSL)! We are pleased to have you join us for worship today, and we hope that your experience is spiritually enriching and meaningful.

IF YOU ARE NEW to COSL, here are some things you might like to know:

- Who we are. COSL is a congregation of the family of God that welcomes all people without discrimination or prejudice, seeking to strengthen one another with Word and Sacraments, prayer and example. Our mission is to:
 - Share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and his love with all people.
 - Reach out to our community with friendship and witness.
 - Bring hope and healing to those who are in need, both at home and abroad.
 - Offer opportunities for worship, learning, fellowship and service.
 - Encourage all members to discover, develop and share their God-given talents.
- **Children** are always welcome to join us for worship. They are encouraged to come forward during Children's Messages and participate. Also, please note that there are Activity Bags (containing books, coloring and other materials inside) available for children preschool to Age 6, in the narthex (entrance hall).
- **Childcare** is provided for interested families during worship. Ms. Anna Gordy, a mother of four and grandmother of nine (and counting!), has vast experience in child care, including 15 years at a local Parish Resource Center. This ministry is provided in the Nursery School Room, located on the lower level.
- **Sunday School** is available for children ages 4 through 12, is offered September through June. The program begins during the 10AM worship with an opening Children's Message among the entire congregation, and then the students depart to learn beloved Bible stories, Lutheran identity and the love of Jesus. They return before the conclusion of worship to participate in the dismissal. On designated Youth Sundays the students may remain with the entire congregation and participate in a meaningful way throughout the liturgy.
- Coffee and refreshments are generally served following worship in the Parlor, located on the lower level accessible from the narthex (entrance hall). Please join us!
- **Restrooms** are located on the lower level along the main hallway. A changing table is available in another restroom located off of the fellowship hall.
- Worship Assistance and Emergency Needs. First aid kits and a defibrillator are readily available. Please see an usher if assistance is needed, or if you have any other concerns or questions.
- **Pastoral Care.** We minister to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of all God's children. Confidentiality is respected. For pastoral care please feel free to contact Pastor Marc Herbst (see contact info above) or one of our agencies: (counseling) **Lutheran Counseling Center**, 132 Jefferson Ave., Mineola, 800-317-1173 or 516-741-0994 or (food and essentials) **New LIFE Center**, **Long Island**, 311 Uniondale Ave., Uniondale, 516-483-3240.

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) – Holy Communion Setting Three The Reverend Marsh Luther Drege, Presiding Minister

INTRODUCTION

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recall that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

PRELUDE: Andante (C. Franck)

GATHERING - The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Bobby Stainkamp, Youth Director

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL: Listen to Your Children Praying (ELW Hymn 752)



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Presider: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the strength of our ancestors,

the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

All: Amen.

Presider: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess

our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Presider: God our helper,

All: we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples.

We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends

but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our

possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for

us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Presider: There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in

these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of

→ Jesus Christ, your sins

are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

All: Amen.

GATHERING SONG: A Mighty Fortress is our God (ELW Hymn 504)

GREETING

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the

communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our

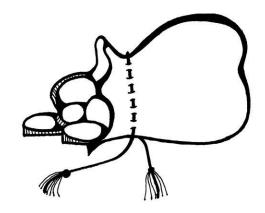
Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD - God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.





FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

Lector: A reading from the Prophet Amos:

Lector: ⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy,

and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over

so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,

and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver

and the needy for a pair of sandals,

and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113

Assistant: The Psalm is spoken responsively.

Assistant: 1Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;

praise the name of the LORD.

All: ²Let the name of the LORD be blessed,

from this time forth forevermore.

Assistant: 3From the rising of the sun to its going down

let the name of the LORD be praised.

All: ⁴The LORD is high above all nations;

God's glory above the heavens.

Assistant: 5Who is like the LORD our God,

who sits enthroned on high,

All: 6but stoops to behold

the heavens and the earth?

Assistant: 7The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust

and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

All: 8enthroning them with the rulers,

with the rulers of the people.

Assistant: 9The LORD makes the woman of a childless house

to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

The Pastoral Epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

Lector: A reading from the St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy:

Lector:

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

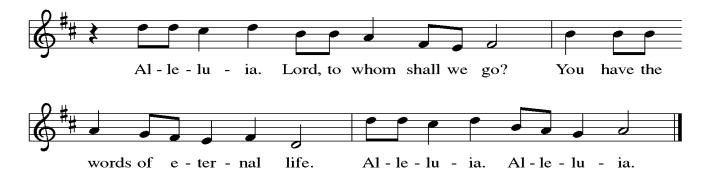
⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel



GOSPEL: *Luke 16:1-13*

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest man who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

Presider: The holy gospel according to Saint Luke:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Presider:

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' 8And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

10"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Presider: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Let Justice Flow Like Streams (ELW Hymn 717)

CREED

Presider: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assistant: Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Assistant: Faithful God, you call your church to serve you. Free your people from the deceptions of false masters so that we discover the true richness of serving in your name. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Assistant: Wise God, you rule the nations. When the powerful trample on the needy and take advantage of the poor, turn them from their selfish ways. Show us your ways of truth that lead to justice. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Assistant: Healing God, you raise up those who have been brought low, and you remember the forgotten. We lift up to you all who are in need, especially Otto, Craig, Hilda, Helen, Joseph, Jeanne, Irma, Christa, Belle, Jean, Angele, Joyce, Elizabeth, Robert, Raymond, Sheila, Stephanie, Virginia, Christian, Karen and Owen. Grant them joy and comfort in your presence. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Assistant: Gracious God, you give us life. We give you thanks for all the joys you offer, especially as we celebrate the birthdays of Christian, Sean, Bruce and Jessica and wedding anniversary of Lynn and Dan. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Assistant: Eternal God, you hold us close even in death. We lift to you our thanks

for those who have recently died and are now at rest with you. Lord, in

your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Presider: Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your

throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL - God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

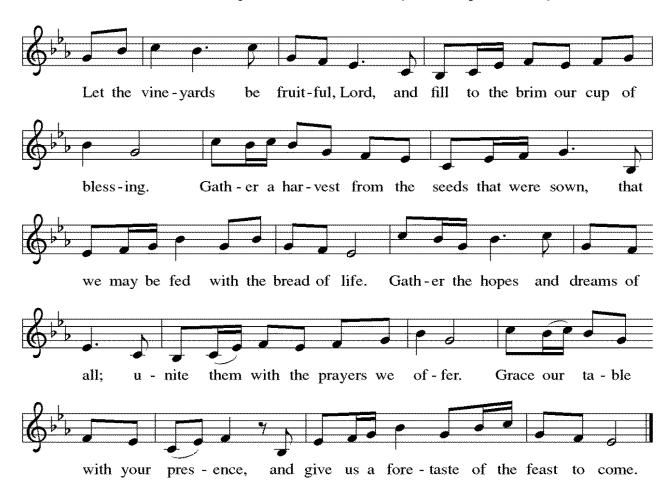
OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. The Offertory Anthem accompanies the gathering of the offering.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: God Is There (J. Althouse)

<u>The assembly stands.</u> Bread, wine, money and other gifts may be brought forward.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS and OFFERING SONG: Let the Vineyards be Fruitful (ELW Hymn 184)



OFFERING PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads the following prayer.

Assistant: Let us pray.

God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior

and Lord.

All: Amen.



DIALOGUE

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

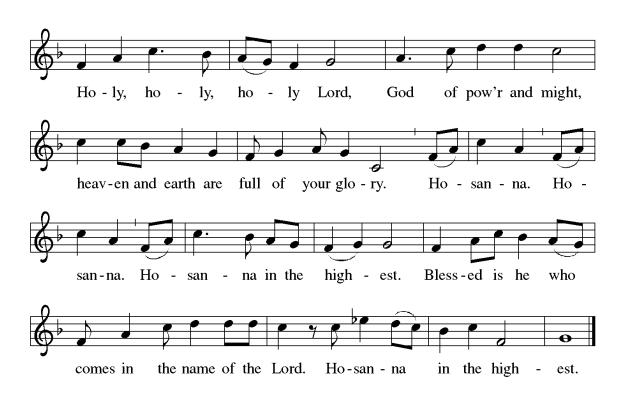
PREFACE

Presider:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: Holy, Holy, Holy

All:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Presider: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Presider: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.



LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

All: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider: Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.

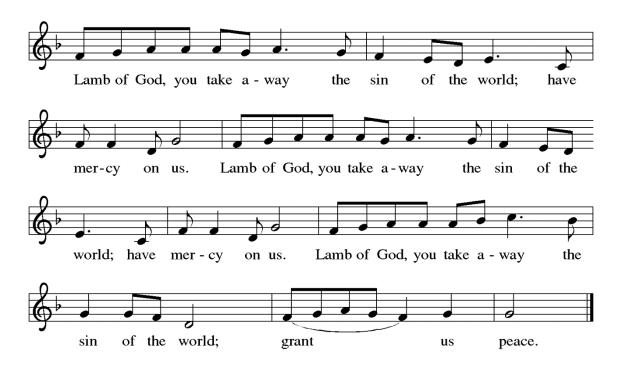
The assembly is seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.



COMMUNION

We welcome all baptized believers, regardless of faith tradition, to celebrate Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. Ushers will help guide all for the distribution of Holy Communion. Unless instructed otherwise, worshipers will approach the altar from the center aisle and, if able, kneel at the Altar Rail. The presiding minister will distribute the consecrated bread, or hosts. Assisting ministers will offer individual cups of consecrated red wine and white grape juice. Should anyone have dietary concerns, gluten-free consecrated hosts are readily available upon request to the presiding minister. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you are still invited to come to the Lord's Table to receive a blessing; kindly cross your arms as a method to advise the presiding minister of your desire to be blessed. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say, "The body of Christ, given for you," and "The blood of Christ, shed for you," and each person may respond "Amen." Following receipt of Holy Communion, the acolyte will collect the empty cups, and the communed worshipers are invited to return to their places via the side aisles.

COMMUNION HYMN



COMMUNION SONGS: You Satisfy the Hungry Heart (ELW Hymn 484) Borning Cry (ELW Hymn 732)

TABLE BLESSING

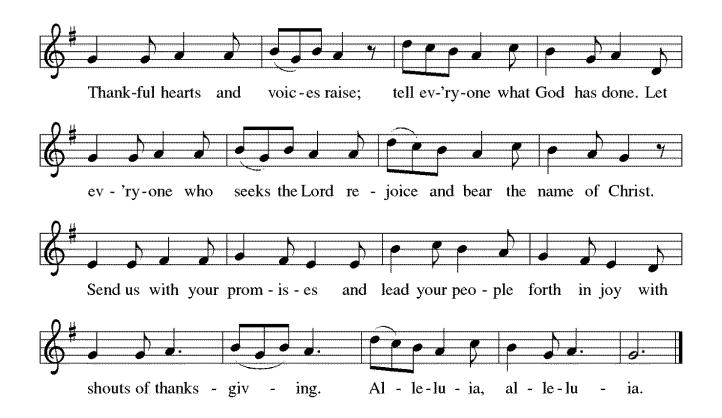
After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.

Presider: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep

you in his grace.

All: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW Hymn 207)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assistant: God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

SENDING - God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the assembly's participation in God's mission in the world.

The assembly stands.

BENEDICTION

Presider: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy

Spirit living in us. Almighty God + bless you with grace, mercy, and

peace, now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: We are Called (ELW Hymn 720)

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Te Deum (M. Charpentier)

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The Altar flower arrangement is in loving memory of Gladys Shelton and her mom, Nellie, given by Eileen Cotter.

WELCOME REV. MARSH LUTHER DREGE: We are blessed to have Pastor Drege preside and preach at today's worship. He is the Executive Director of Seafarers & International House (since 2008) and had served as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Washington, D.C. (1983-1988); Metigoshe (ND) Lutheran Bible Camp (1988-2003); and as Campus Pastor at Penn State University (2004-2007). Pastor Marc Herbst is currently on vacation and Pastor John Jurik (631-742-0996) and Pastor Charley Vogeley (516-659-9980) are available during his absence, if case of any pastoral care needs.

Serving this Sunday, September 22nd

Ministers: People of the Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

Acolyte/Crucifer: Christian Azzara **Assisting Minister:** Jeanine Levitan

Lector: Vonnie Haff

Ushers: Dan Nigro & Alex Rekow

Altar guild: Kristine Bordonaro & Lynn Nigro

Recorder: Karen Han

Coffee Hour: Norma Carrasco & Sieglinde Lubbers

Serving next Sunday, September 29th

Ministers: People of the Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

Acolyte/Crucifer: Sabrina Bordonaro

Assisting Minister: Al Rainson

Lector: Susan Anderson

Ushers: Ken Benes & Jim Meredith **Altar quild:** Edith & Heinz Pape

Recorder: Katie Miller Coffee Hour: Open

THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LUTHERAN (COSL)

Today, Sunday, September 22nd

8:45AM – Choir practice

10:00AM – Worship service with Holy Communion, Sunday school, Childcare

11:30AM - Coffee Hour

11:45AM – Worship & Music Committee meeting

Tuesday, September 24th

10:00AM – Ruth Circle annual meeting

1:00PM – Stammtisch meeting

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

CHOIR PRACTICE: Practice takes place on *most Sundays at 8:45am.*

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>: Class meets most *Sundays* @ 10:15am from September through *June*.

KNITWITS/RUTH CIRCLE CRAFTS: This group meets most *Tuesdays at 10am*.

HEALING SERVICE/LUHI SUNDAY: This special service will take place on Sunday, September 29th @ 10am.

<u>HIGHFIELD GARDENS LUNCH:</u> The Ruth Circle will host this event at COSL on *Tuesday, October 1*st @ *11am.*

"ONCE UPON A TIME" FALL FARMER'S MARKET: This fundraiser will take place on Saturday, October 5th from 9-2 in the COSL parking lot. In case of inclement weather, event will be held indoors.

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING: This group's next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 6th following worship @ 11:45am.

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS (cont'd)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: October confirmation classes will be held on: Sunday, October 6th @ 12noon, Sunday, October 20th @ 11:30am, Saturday, October 26th @ 12 noon and Sunday, October 27th @ 11am. A detailed list of all classes was issued to all Confirmation families.

"WINE ABOUT RELIGION": Our next class is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9th @ 7pm.

<u>COLUMBUS DAY:</u> The church building will be closed on *Monday, October 14th* in observance of Columbus Day.

OKTOBERFEST: This event is scheduled for **Saturday**, **October 19**th @ **6pm**. See "Save the Date" flyer in back of bulletin for more details.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO 4TH GRADERS: This presentation will take place during our 10am service on *Sunday, October 20th*.

"TRUNK OR TREAT HALLOWEEN EVENT": This youth event is scheduled to take place on **Saturday**, **October 26**th @ **noon**. Sign up sheet for this event is in parlor.

BAYVILLE "NOT SO SCARY" SCREAM PARK OUTING: This youth event is scheduled for Sunday, October 27th @ 2pm.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE: This annual event is scheduled on **Saturday**, **November 2**nd **from 9-3**.

PRAYERS OF COMFORT AND HEALING

(Unless a renewed request is received, prayer intercessions for individuals will be listed for three consecutive weeks.)

ASSISTED CARE/HOMEBOUND: Otto Ackerman, Craig Anderson (father of Keri Anderson Reda), Hilda Bormann, Helen Carstens (mother of Jeff Carstens), Joseph Cobb (father of Carol Herbst), Jeanne Geib, Irma Grunewald, Christa Horn, Belle Lewis, Jean Millington (mother of Debbie Capilupi), Angele Moomjy, Joyce Morin and Elizabeth Nagy.

HOSPITALIZATION/ILLNESS/MEDICAL CARE: Robert Bishop, Raymond Bordonaro (father in law of Kristine Bordonaro), Sheila Gilliam, Stephanie Hall, Virginia Marshall, Christian Miller (son of Katie Miller), Karen Spitz and Owen Wall.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING—9/22 through 9/28

BIRTHDAYS: Christian Rich – 9/23, Sean Rummel – 9/27, Bruce Morin & Jessica Valencia – 9/28

ANNIVERSARIES: Lynn & Dan Nigro – 9/25

FINANCIALS

AUGUST YTD

Income: \$238,085 Expenses: \$239,628 Deficit: \$1,543

