

+ Eighth Sunday after Pentecost +

August 3, Year of our Lord 2025 | DS1

+ Confession and Absolution +



The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C 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.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 +

Introit

Psalm 49:7–8, 13–14a, 15; antiphon: vv. 1–2



P Hear this, all | peoples!*

Give ear, all inhabitants | of the world,
both | low and high,*
rich and poor to- | gether!

C Truly no man can ransom an- | other,*
or give to God the price | of his life,
for the ransom of their life is | costly*
and can nev- | er suffice.

Like sheep they are appointed | for Sheol;*,
death shall be their | shepherd.

But God will ransom my soul from the power | of Sheol,*
for he will re- | ceive me.

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.

Hear this, all | peoples!*

Give ear, all inhabitants | of the world,
both | low and high,*
rich and poor to- | gether!

Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47

P (sung) In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



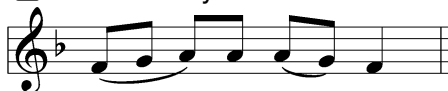
C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, ...Church of God, and ...unity... let us pray to the Lord.



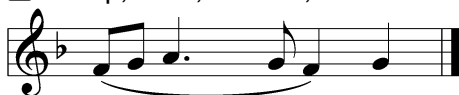
C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis, p. 154

Luke 2:14, John 1:29

P (sung) Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

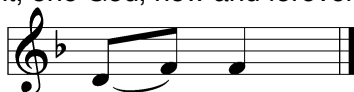
Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; 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.

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity. . . .

I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. . . .

I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

C How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.
Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
and their words to the ends of the world.

Epistle

Colossians 3:1–11

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Colossians 3:23–24a

- P** Alleluia. Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. Alleluia.

Alleluia and Verse

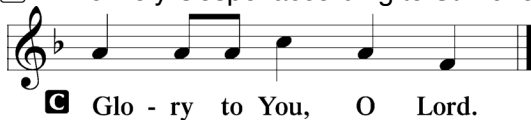
John 6:68



Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13–21

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

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



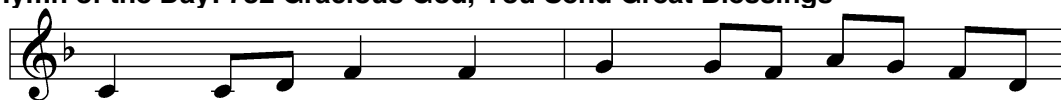
Apostles' Creed

**☩ 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.**

Hymn of the Day: 782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings



1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings

2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion

3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior

△ 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies

Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that

Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of

Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.

end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.

ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.

Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,



Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

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+ Sermon +

Ample Goods

Offertory, p. 159-160

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19

☐ (sung) What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Announcement of Offering and Greetings of Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Prayer of the Church see colored insert

*Reminder for those watching at home to pray **The Lord’s Prayer**.*

Benediction for those worshipping via the livestream.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord’s Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord’s Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

Preface

p. 160; 2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P (sung) The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface ~ Altar Book (appropriate to the day or season)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

p. 161 or 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, ...now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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 *Mt 26:26-30; Mk 14:22-26; Lk 22:14-23; 1 Cor 11:23-25.*

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 ✝ 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

John 20:19

P (sung) The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei, p. 163

John 1:29

C (sung) **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution

Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

Distribution Hymn: 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee (see hymnal)

Distribution Hymn: 861 Christ Be My Leader

Distribution Hymn: 761 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Distribution Hymn: 791 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. ... one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26

P 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.



C A - men.

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For prayer requests to be added in the service, please submit by 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays. If your contact info has recently changed, please let the church office know. Large print hymnals are available (please check with an usher for availability).



+ Prayers +

World: For **protection** and **peace**. For God to cease the wars between modern-day **Israel** and the **Hamas** and the conflict between **Ukraine** and **Russia**. For **fire, flood, and hurricane** recovery. For **Flood Victims** and their families in Texas and other states with storm and flood.

Concern for the Lost: For family and friends who do not know or have fallen away from the truth, grace, and love of the Savior, Christ Jesus.

Vocation: For **veterans and our military** for **Mason Burkett** (Mary Schopman grandson in-law) being deployed to Poland next week leaving behind his wife and new baby; military servants: **Carter Felt, Casey Lawson, Tyler Smith** and **William Smolter**. For our singles, parents, grandparents, and families. For our families expecting a baby: **Alex & Shelby Hicks, Luke and Blair Johnson, Elijah & Faith Miessler** (boy in Sept.), **Sam & Kate Bohnet** (boy in Aug.), and **Samual and Sarah Kropp** (girl in Sept.). For **those serving in hospitals and homeless shelters**. For **teachers** in our community schools. For our circuit's seminary students: **Aaron Wade, Sam Bohnet** (vicarage placement in Louisville, KY), **Daniel Bueckman**, and **Alex Ogden** (call placements). **Michael Saxton** was placed as a convertible vicar at Grace Lutheran, Knoxville. For **children and families** dealing with difficult situations due to drugs, alcohol, violence, abuse, stress, and strife.

Recent Loss and Mourning: For the family of **Emma Lu Kerekes** (founding member of Praise) who passed on 7/25. For family of **Shelby Williams** (granddaughter of Jeanne Lindenfelser) who died tragically last Sunday. **Shauna** (friend of Laura Bisconte) who passed away in Knoxville. **Ruth** (sister-in-law to Phil & Carol Barnett) who passed away in Wisconsin and **Ruth's grandson** who died in a car accident. **Mona** (Angela Gift's mother) who passed away in Alabama.

Health: For **Carol Ehrens** health and good days (hospice care at home). For **Joel Morsch** treatment for a brain bleed. For **Fred Hansen** recovery of strength and health. For **Bob Goodrich** diabetes management and heart health. For **Linda Davis** a fib treatment. For **Rhonda Heckman** recovering from back surgery and for **Bob Heckman's** health. For **Ed Hannah** health after hospitalization recently. For **Larry Bembas** recovering from kidney stone surgery. For **Chuck Pettyjohn** for lung and heart health. For **Stephanie** (Larry & Cathy Wacker's daughter) for cancer treatment and stem cell treatment for **Kevin** her husband. For **Becky Hamby's brother** with a brain bleed, and another brother **Jeffrey Happel** with ongoing health issues. For **Kris Smith** recovering from pneumonia and heart valve replacement. For **Sandy Bagley** recovering from procedure to clear 3 blockages and 2 stents. For **Larry Wacker** recovering from elbow surgery. For **Charlotte** newborn great-granddaughter to Mary Schopmann in the NICU (born a little early) and for her mother **Alexis**. For **Cole Hammond** (Joan Large's grandson) comfort in dealing with epilepsy. For **Margaret** (Justin Gift's great grandma) in ICU. For **Pat Sweet** (friend of Ole & Mavis) fragile health condition. For **June McDonnell** recovering from falls and lung health. For **Tim Smith** heart and blood pressure health. For **Ted Frazier** headaches and blood pressure drops. For **Lee Schuck** and **Gus** taking care of her. For **Pam** (Jim Roberts's sister) heart and respiratory issues. For **Derek Bryant** (friend of Mary Schopmann) kidney reception. For **George Vitzthum** cataract surgery recovery and for **Carole**. For **Ken Kropp** recovering from heart surgery. For **Kim Smolter** health. For **Emma Lu Kerekes** health and hospice care (in Oak Ridge). For **Gary Kubin**

hip surgery rehab (now home). For **Ed & Barbara McGillick** health, pain and dizziness management. For **Haley Jenkins** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's niece) esophageal issues. For **Don Hammond** heart a-fib (Joan Large's son). For **Rachel Ernst** upcoming rescheduled surgery. For **Margarete** (neighbor to Jim & Maureen Roberts) dealing with advancing cancer. For **Bill Frazho** (Paul Ruble's brother-in-law) lung and overall health. For **Ron Williams** (back at Foothills) and for his wife Pamela. For **Barbara Moyers** recovery from back surgery (now home). For **Marie Guinn** (Jennifer Kropp's mother) cancer treatment and health. For **Mary** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's daughter) health. For **June Latham** (Phyllis Bembas' sister) stroke and vision recovery. For **Fred Goddard** (nephew of Mary Ellen Brown) lung cancer treatment. For **Carol** (Alex Hick's aunt) frontal lobe dementia. For **Tom Williams** maintenance chemo treatments. For **Janeen Meier** healing for physical and mental health (Maureen Roberts' sister and Pastor Roberts's Aunt). **Debbie Johnston** kidney health. **Bob McDermott** dealing with Parkinson's symptoms. For **Alan Stremsterfer's mother** and **Lisa Stremsterfer's father** health. **Aurora Stevens** back and shoulder pain treatments. For **Kathy Bigger** (friend of Donna Wall) pancreatic cancer. Andrew Hebar's Aunt **Kara** (health).

Birthdays: Mark R (8/3), Jim T (8/3), Danny F (8/5), Elissa U (8/5), Tim U (8/5), Diane M (8/7), Chuck P (8/7), April T (8/7), Corlis W (8/8), Janet M (8/10), Kayla D C (8/16)

Anniversaries: Phil & Carol Barnett (8/5), Tim & Elissa Upward (8/5), Tom & Lois Schering (8/7), Chris & Rose Broyles (8/8), Jason & Meagan Collver (8/8), Bob & Theresa McDermott (8/8), Travis & Shelli Haynes (8/10), Matthew & Meghan Flaska (8/14)

Financial

| Building Fund | 2024 Receipts | 2025 Receipts | Total Receipts |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Actual | \$211,037 | \$37,525 | \$1,215,521 |
| Pledged | \$179,106 | \$42,744 | \$1,065,270 |
| Remaining | \$31,931 [over] | \$5,219 [under] | \$150,250 [over] |

Build Project total cost: \$2,973,613 (approximately 38% funded).

Visit praiselutheran.com/build to see our build completion video! Gifts to the Build Fund are still encouraged (the extended Capital Campaign ends on December 31, 2025). Our total monthly mortgage payments to Lutheran Church Extension Fund: \$11,413 [breakdown: \$10,309 (new building) + \$1,104 (older building)].

Online Giving is available on our website, praiselutheran.com (see the Give button). You can set up recurring gifts to select funds. "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7

To select **Kroger Community Rewards**, log in to your account at www.kroger.com, go to "My Account," then "Community Rewards," and search for and enroll in Praise Lutheran Church. From the Kroger app, tap the menu (≡), go to "Rewards," then "Community Rewards," and follow the prompts to select and enroll your chosen organization.

Youth and Families

Summer Sunday School Series is for all children and students, age 2 through 12th grade. Join us for a fun-filled and faith-growing summer! Drop off and pick up will be in the nursery, which begins at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays.

The **Habits of the Household** series led by Travis Haynes will meet for a few more Sundays in the larger classroom. This group is perfect for parents of all ages—whether you have young children or older elementary, middle, or high school kids. Join us for valuable insights and support!

Midweek Youth Group meets on Wednesday nights for Bible study and fellowship, exploring the Gospel of John. Please remember to bring your Bible and a water bottle. If you have any questions, please contact Shelli Haynes, DCE, at shellihaynes@gmail.com or (909) 226-3179.

Music at Praise

- **The Choir** will begin weekly rehearsals Wednesday September 3rd at 6:00 p.m. We will be focusing on a range of choral repertoire including hymns, spirituals, and arrangements, while regularly diving into vocal technique and becoming the best musicians possible.
- **Piano Lessons** are coming to Praise! Anyone (along with their parents/guardians in the case of children) ages 6+ are welcome to join Caleb Hesse (as instructor) and learn about the exciting world of piano playing.
- **Instrumentalists Wanted!** If you are a string, wind, or percussion player, we would love to have you active in the music here at Praise. Based on availability there will be opportunities for solo, chamber, and ensemble playing within the church music and choir program.

For any questions and extra information, please reach out to our Director of Worship Arts, Caleb Hesse, at caleb@praiselutheran.com.

Church Community

Veterans Pantry Donations are being accepted in the Narthex. All items will be delivered to the Office of Veterans Affairs of Blount County.

Thrivent members eligible for Action Team gift cards (two per year) can donate \$250 toward church project needs. To contribute, please contact Jim Roberts.

Rally Day – August 17 Let us rally around God's Word and give thanks for all He has done through our ministries and highlight the Youth's recent events of Campfirmation and National Youth Gathering. *We will welcome new members into our church family during the service.*

Lunch on Rally Day following the 11:00 a.m. service, please enjoy a special New Orleans-themed treat prepared by our high schoolers as a heartfelt thank you for your support of their trip to the National Youth Gathering! Also, get to know our new members at the meal.

Today

Issues Class Topics with Pastor Roberts at 9:45 a.m. in the Social Hall, **Today's Class:** *Luther and the Jews; Race and racism.* **Next Week's Class:** *Aug 10th topic – Living together before marriage.*

This Week

Men's Bible Study on break until announced in August.

Middle and High School Youth Middle School 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., High School 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall with Barbara Morsch.

Upcoming

August 17 (Sun) Rally Day at 9:45 a.m. in the Social Hall

August 21 (Thu) Men's Monthly Luncheon at El Jimador, 1705 E Lamar Alexander Pkwy.

August 23 (Sat) Bunco at 6:00 p.m.

September 3 (Wed) Choir rehearsals begin

September 21 Fall Picnic (Sun) Save the date: 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. More details to come.

September 26-28 Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) Fall retreat in Tallassee, TN. Find more information in the Narthex to the right of the mailboxes. Not to be confused with our own Praise Lutheran Ladies Retreat (see below).

October 24-26 Ladies Fall Retreat *A Heart After the Lord's Own Heart*, the Tuckaleechee Retreat Center in Townsend. Our presenter, Stella Beabout from Crossville, TN, studied in the Old Testament Exegetical Studies Ph.D. program at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and has led numerous Bible studies and retreats. Scholarships are available. Pick up a brochure in the Narthex and see Kris Smith or Barbara Morsch for more details.