

## + Ninth Sunday after Pentecost +

August 7, Year of our Lord 2022 | 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 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7*



**P** Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving,\*  
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

**C** He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;\*  
he makes grass grow | on the hills.

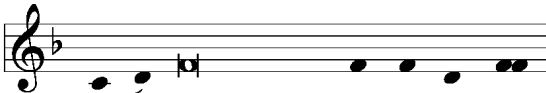
He gives to the | beasts their food,\*  
and to the young ravens | that cry.

**His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,\***  
**nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,**  
but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*  
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

**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.**

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving,\*  
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

### Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy (Mark 10:47)



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. [2]

**A** For the peace of the whole world, ...Church of God, ...unity of all, let us pray... [3]

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray... [4]

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. [5]



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



2. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



3. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



4. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



5. **C** A - men.

### Gloria in Excelsis ~ hymnal p. 154 for music

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29*

**A** A 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. Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; 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

*Genesis 15:1-6*

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; **your very own son shall be your heir.**" And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

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

## Gradual

*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

**C** Fear the LORD, you his saints,  
for those who fear him lack nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

## Epistle

*Hebrews 11:1–16*

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. **By faith** we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

**By faith** Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. **By faith** Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. **By faith** Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

**By faith** Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. **By faith** he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. **By faith** Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

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

## Verse of the Day

Luke 12:32

**P** Alleluia. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Alleluia.

## Alleluia and Verse

John 6:68



## Holy Gospel

Luke 12:22–34

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



[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.



“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no

thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.



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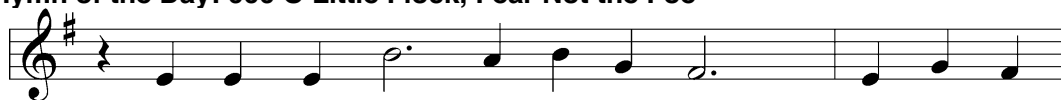
***Rite of Holy Baptism and Confirmation for Colin Stout at 11:00 a.m. service***

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### 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 of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day: 666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe



1 O lit - tle flock, fear not the foe Who mad - ly  
 2 Be of good cheer; your cause be - longs To Him who  
 3 As true as God's own Word is true, Not earth nor  
 4 A - men, Lord Je - sus, grant our prayer; Great Cap - tain,



seeks your o - ver - throw; Dread not his rage and pow'r.  
 can a - venge your wrongs; Leave it to Him, our Lord.  
 hell's sa - tan - ic crew A - gainst us shall pre - vail.  
 now Thine arm make bare, Fight for us once a - gain!



And though your cour - age some-times faints, His seem - ing  
 Though hid - den yet from mor - tal eyes, His Gid - eon  
 Their might? A joke, a mere fa - cade! God is with  
 So shall Thy saints and mar - tyrs raise A might - y



tri - umph o'er God's saints Lasts but a lit - tle hour.  
 shall for you a - rise, Up - hold you and His Word.  
 us and we with God— Our vic - t'ry can - not fail.  
 cho - rus to Thy praise For - ev - er - more. A - men.

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**+ Sermon +**

## Offertory

*Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19*



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

## 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).



## Prayers to God on Behalf of...

World: Praying for the end of the conflict between **Ukraine** and **Russia** (and preservation of life and land). Fires in **California** and flooding recovery in **St. Louis** and in **Kentucky**.

Church: **Colin Stout** (new life in Baptism and in Communion Fellowship in Christ); For our ongoing **church building/expansion planning** with architect Studio 4, contractor Creative Structures, and our 3-year Capital Campaign with LCEF. Mission work of **Rehema Open Door** (Rehema is Swahili for mercy) palliative care center/hospice in Kenya. Local mission of **Pregnancy Resource Center** of Maryville and Sevierville.



Community: Blessing on **students and teachers** in area schools. **Jeff Baerns** whose restaurant (destroyed by fire on evening of 7/4).

Vocation: **Installation** of Pastor Lefort in Oak Ridge today. Newly married **Tyler Smith & Megan** (daughter of Travis & Shelli Haynes; sister to Amanda). **Carter Felt. Chuck Pettyjohn**, FAA approved physical to continue flying! **Casey Lawson** (Airforce). **Angela Gift** expecting a baby in January. Thanksgiving for baby **Wren** born into Mary Schopmann's family. All caregivers.

Mourning: Family of **Jane** (Matthew Flaska's grandmother) who passed away 7/4. Family of Phyllis Bembas's brother **Jimmy** who passed away. Family of **Julia Ernst** who passed away 6/25. Family of **Rev. William (Bill) Couch** who passed away 6/22. Family of **Larry Meier** (Jim & Maureen's brother-in-law) who passed away 6/12. Family of **Mary "Charlene" Millsap** (Cathy Wacker's mother who passed). Family of **Hope Lurstema** (Rebecca Keyes's mother). Family of **Tamra DeHaven**.

Health: **Mary Ellen Brown** (hip surgery recovery); **Calvin & Ann Guffey** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's family, Ed's sister and husband): health concerns coupled with covid. **Troy** (great grandson to Jeanne Lindenfelser) recovery after bike accident and procedure. **Tom Williams**, health and care for heart, recent illness recovery. **Dick Mohr** lung and heart health including blockage treatment. **Susan Johnson** back pain resolution (required brief hospitalization). Ruth Kistler's son **William** (tests and possible cancer treatments), **Jeanie Lindenfelser** for upcoming lung cancer treatments. **Robert Williams** (Amy & Dick Mohr's son-in-law) broken fibula and dislocated ankle (requiring surgery) recovery. **Brad** (Phil and Carol Barnett's son) cancer treatments. Kenna Chorney's mother: **Gail Rieman** (bone infection). **David Chorney** (compressed discs in back). **Barbara Moyers** back pain relief and recovery of strength. **Debbie Johnston** kidney health. **Tim Smith** (heart health). Steve

Kaiser's mother **Louise** (age 92) in Indiana. Mike Gould's friend **Jolene Cline** (stage 4 cancer). **Bob Heckman** wound care for lower leg. **Theresa Lindsay** for success of recent chemotherapy. **Brian Rose** (friend of Catherine Boute) health for kidney transplant donated from his wife. **Sharon Yoder** *thanksgiving for recovery* from sub-cranial brain bleed. **Larry Wacker** (lung condition); Jeanne Lindenfelser's friend Marge's cousin **Sandy** health (cancer in remission, but health suffering from therapy). Andrew Hebar's Aunt **Kara** (struggling from cancer treatments). **Connie** (Andrew Hebar's friend) brain and lung cancer. Aurora Stephen's son **Stevie**. **Bill** (Cathy Wacker's father) dementia, health. **Lee Schuck** (health now unable to walk). **Janeen Meier** (Maureen Robert's sister) health. **Carolyn Gaugert** (sister-in-law to Sharon Yoder) health.

**Birthdays:** Chuck P 8/7, Carmella L 8/8, Corlis W 8/8, Janet M 8/10, Tonie H 8/15, Jayden C 8/16, Kayla Del C 8/16, Carol E 8/17

**Anniversaries:** Tom & Lois S 8/7, Bob & Theresa McD 8/8, Matthew & Meghan F 8/14, Chris & Rose B 8/18, Alex & Shelby H 8/18, Derek & Gretchen R 8/26

### 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.**

**Benediction** for those worshipping on 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** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

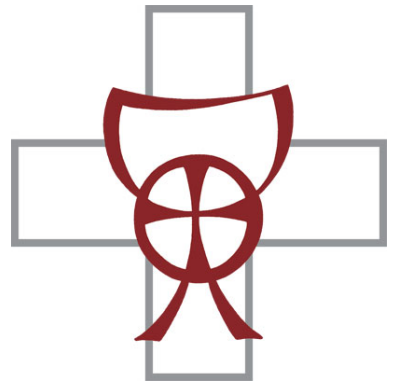


**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**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.

## 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  $\text{✠}$  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."

## Proclamation of Christ

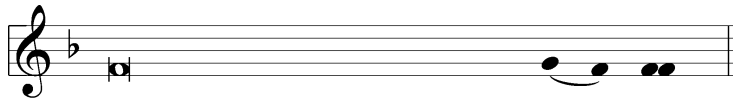
*1 Cor. 11:26*

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.  
**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.  
**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension

into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and grant us Your peace.

### Pax Domini

*John 20:19*



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



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

*John 1:29*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way 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: 733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past** (see hymnal)

**Distribution Hymn: 813 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng** (see hymnal)

**Distribution Hymn: 809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness** (see hymnal)

**Distribution Hymn: 748 I'm But a Stranger Here**(see hymnal)

**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**

*p. 166*

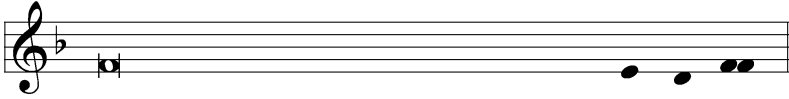
**A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

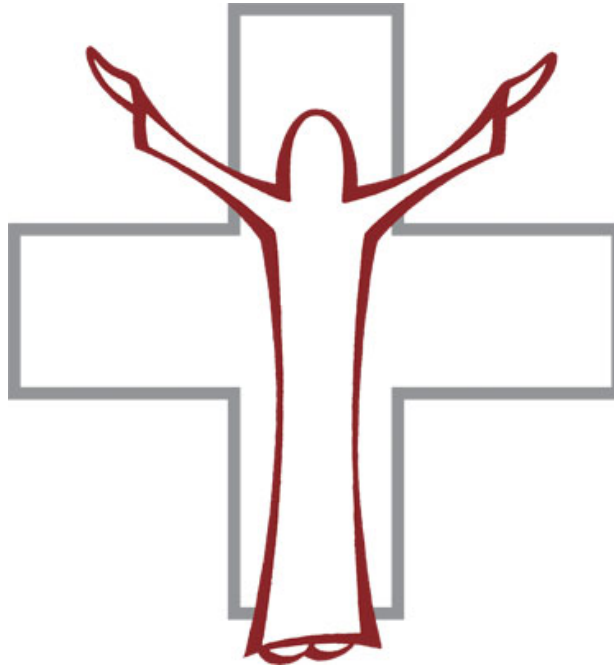
*Numbers 6:24–26*



**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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## Announcements

### *Today*

**Faith Lutheran Church in Oak Ridge** will be installing their new pastor TODAY (Rev. Chase Lefort, a recent CTSFW seminary graduate) at 3:00 p.m. Pastor Roberts will participate in the service of installation.

### *This Week*

**Ladies Bible Study** Thurs at 10:00 a.m. at Praise (pericope study led by Barbara Morsch)  
**Men's Lunch** (weekly): Thurs. at 11:30 a.m. Location this week: *announced after church*

### *Next Week*

**Rally Day** (start of Sunday School for Fall) is **NEXT SUNDAY, August 14**. First 8 weeks theme: Make a Splash! On Rally Day, the children will have a special bell choir presentation before the 11:00 a.m. Divine Service begins.

### *Later in August*

**Elders** Meeting on Aug 18 at 7:00 p.m.

**Henkel Conference** a conference devoted to Christian Theology and Cultural Engagement, Mon-Tues, **Aug. 22-24**, at Ascension Lutheran Church in Madison, TN. Visit [www.ascensionmadison.com/henkel](http://www.ascensionmadison.com/henkel) to learn more. Members and Pastor Roberts from Praise have purchased tickets and secured lodging in order to attend.

**Special Presentation on Rehema** (meaning mercy in Swahili), a palliative care center/hospice in Kenya, to be presented by a return visit from Deaconess Pamela Boehle-Silva, R.N. (from Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Rocklin, California) at Praise on Sunday morning, **Aug. 28**.

### *Coming up in September and October*

**Choir 2023-2024:** We have some new great and faithful music to offer to God and to glorify His House, People, and the Salvation in Jesus Christ. New music has been ordered! Lori Smith helped research some fantastic new choral pieces that fit well the church year including Reformation, All Saints' Day, etc. Our first rehearsal for the fall is Wed, **Sept 7** at **6:00 p.m.** See Laura Bisconte, Choir Director **(704) 691-4691** for more info.

**Planning Council** on Sun, Sept 11 after 11:00 a.m. service

**Save date: Youth Day** in Wartburg: St. Paul Luth. has invited 3 churches' youth **Sat, 9/24**.

**Congregational Picnic** at the Mohr's in **Sun, Sept 25**. [Rain/backup date 10/2]

**St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wartburg** will be celebrating their **175<sup>th</sup> anniversary** on **Sat, 10/1** with Special Service (and events) and Guest Preacher: the Rev. Will Weedon.