



Reformation Sunday
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FAITHFUL LUTHERANS SENT BY CHRIST TO SERVE GOD'S CHILDREN

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WELCOME!

All are welcome at Faith Lutheran Church today as we continue our journey of faith. Join with us as we offer our praises to God. There is a nursery available for those who need it.

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The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Dan and Judy Diekhoff in honor of the Reformation – celebrating the gift of God's guiding Spirit.

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Events/Activities This Week around Faith:

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| Today | 9:15am | S.S. | Thur. 11/1 | 9:15am | WCS |
| | 10:30am | Worship | | 1:00pm | Bible Study |
| Tues. 10/30 | 9:15am | WCS | Sun. 11/4 | 9:15am | S.S. |
| Wed. 10/31 | 7:00pm | Confirmation | | 10:30am | Worship |
| | | | | 11:30am | Homecoming |

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Announcements

PLEASE sign up for the lunch for our Homecoming Sunday to be held on November 4. If you have been worshipping with us and wish to join our membership, please see Pastor Scott after worship. We will recognize new members at our Homecoming celebration. Sign up sheets are on the door to the Secretary's office. Please sign up as we are providing a catered meal and need an accurate count. A free will offering will be taken to defray the cost.

TICKETS are on sale for our annual Turkey Dinner to be held on Friday, November 9, 2012 at 6:00pm Adults: \$8, Children (2-10 yrs. old) \$4. See Cheyanne Peter for tickets

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God: the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of overflowing grace,
we come to you with repentant hearts.
Forgive us for shallow thankfulness.
Forgive us for passing by the ones in need.
Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures.
Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness.
Bring us home from the wilderness of sin,
and strengthen us to serve you
in all that we do and say;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents.
By the grace of God in + Christ Jesus,
who gave himself up for us all,
your sins are forgiven and you are made free.
Rejoice with the angels and with one another!
We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* (ELW 504)

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat -'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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

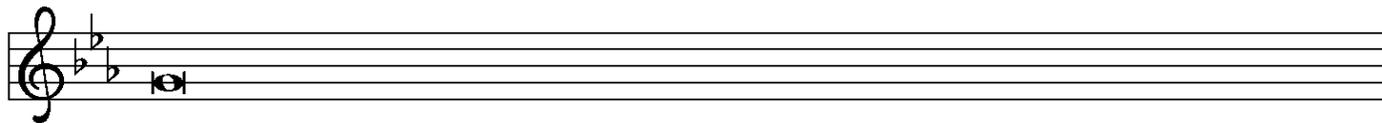
Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



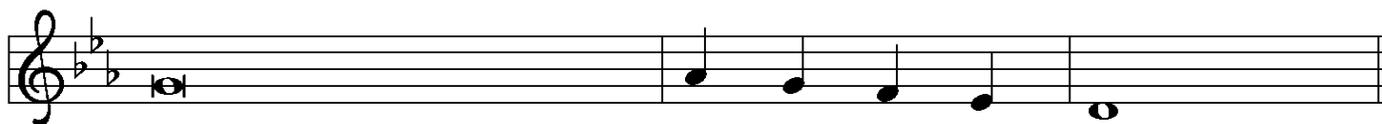
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



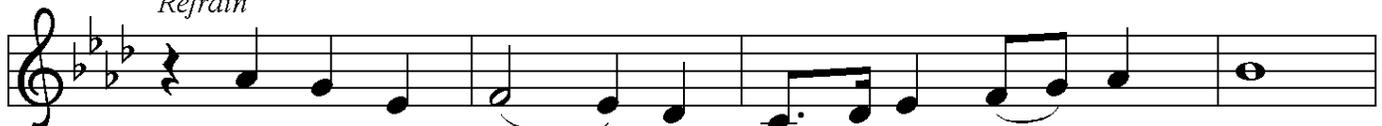
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.....Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31–34

A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 46

The Psalm for the day is sung.

¹God is our ref-¹uge and strength,
a very present¹ help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the¹ earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths¹ of the sea;**

³though its waters¹ rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble¹ with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit-¹y of God,
the holy habitation of¹ the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall¹ not be shaken;
God shall help it at the¹ break of day.

⁶**The nations rage, and the¹ kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth¹ melts away.**

⁷The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold.

⁸**Come now, regard the works¹ of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought up-¹ on the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in ¹all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the ¹shields with fire.

¹⁰**"Be still, then, and know that ¹I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted ¹in the earth."**

¹¹The LORD of ¹hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob ¹is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19–28

A reading from Romans.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: John 8:31–36

The holy gospel according to St John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word (ELW 517)*

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and

by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
 Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
 u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife

and bring to naught all he has done.
 may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**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.**

**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

As disciples of Christ Jesus called to love and serve all people, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

God of the new covenant, in the waters of baptism you claim us as your own. Shower the church with your Holy Spirit, that the church will become one as we are one in you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, nourish the earth to provide enough food and clean water for all. Teach us to share these resources, that no one hungers or thirsts. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of peace, bring an end to conflicts and wars around the world, shatter the fear we have of people different from us, and break down all that separates us from you and one another. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of grace, quiet the fear and anxiety of those in need: the unemployed, homeless, persecuted, and all who are ill or suffering *especially* Arlys Johnson, Jim Rife, Patti Smith, Anne Alia, Marcella Denton, Kathy Dycus, Vivian Fraizer, Kathy Gilmore, Martha and Seth Harding, Flynn Hewitt, Pat Hudson, Charlie Kayrouz, Phil Lakes, Addison Licavaro, Guy McCauley, Dodie McEuen, Angela Rutledge, Ken Walker. Grant them peace and healing, for you are their refuge and strength. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of freedom, make this congregation a place of forgiveness and reconciliation. Empower our faith so that we witness to your truth that liberates us from sin. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Hear, O God, the prayers of your faithful people, either silent or spoken aloud.

Be present at celebration tables, increasing the joy of those who gather for birthdays, weddings, and parties especially Cathie Wheat, Bob Lane, Jason Woodward, Daniel Maas and Rachel Laughlin with birthdays and Jim and Cathie Wheat with a wedding anniversary this week. Be present at empty tables, filling the hungry and the lonely with hope. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Word of life, we give you thanks for *the apostles Simon and Jude and the reformers of every generation* who have passed on the faith to us. Keep us steadfast in your word until we join them around your throne. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers, faithful God, and renew us by your Spirit, that we may joyfully love and serve you and one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always. **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.

OFFERING

By Grace

Choir

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts are brought forward.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
 fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

The assisting minister offers the following prayer

Let us pray... Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE *The Pastor sings the proper preface for the day*

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of



pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the



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

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

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.

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. Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

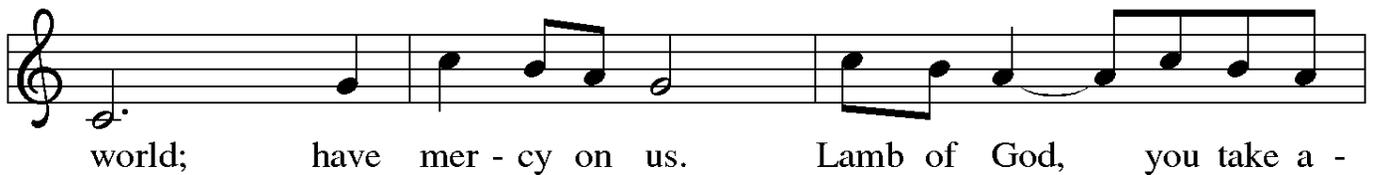
We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

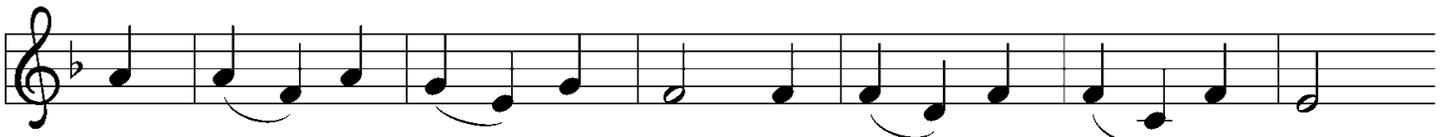
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God gives food to those who hunger. Come, be fed, be healed.



COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* (ELW 656)



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister offers the following prayer

Let us pray... We give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in this world, following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the assembly's participation in God's mission in the world. Affirmation of Christian Vocation may be used here.

BLESSING

Like children in the arms of Jesus, receive blessing:

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: *The Church's One Foundation* (ELW 654)

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members

Arlys Johnson, recovering from broken femur surgery

Jim Rife, recovering from hip replacement

Patti Smith, ankle fracture

Family & Friends

Anne Alia, health issues

Marcella Denton, intestinal illness

Kathy Dycus, in recovery in Carmel, IN

Vivian Fraizer, surgery for recurring colon cancer

Kathy Gillmore, health concerns

Flynn Hewitt, (newborn) hole in heart

Pat Hudson, treatment for leukemia

Charlie Kayrouz, stage 4 cancer

Phil Lakes, stroke and heart condition

Addison Licavaro, (newborn) heart murmur

Guy McCauley, health issues

Dodie McEuen, health issues

Angela Rutledge, heart attack

Ken Walker, cancer of the tongue

*Please note, we reset the Family & Friends portion of prayer concerns each month, please let us know of anyone you would like to remain on or be placed on the list.

Shut-in

Edwina Andregg, Autumn Woods

Norma Boehme, Westminster Village

Dorothy Clerici, Lincoln Hills Health Center

Walter Clive, at home

Ken Steward, Westminster Village

Service agencies/programs/special needs

Veronica Rife, deployed by Corp of Engineers to Afghanistan

CLM

Eric Hall Foundation

Members of our Armed Forces at home and abroad

Members of Faith who have lost jobs and are seeking employment

Lapsed members and visitors seeking a church home

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Families affected by tornados and drought in IN and KY

Last Week at Faith

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| Current Offering | \$3,249.00 | Worship attendance | 79 |
| Other Offering | 35.00 | Nursery attendance | 0 |
| Total Offering | \$3,284.00 | Total attendance | 79 |

We need \$3,596 in current each week to continue the missions of our church. How did we do last week? Thanks to all who worship, work, give, and pray at Faith in thanks to God for God's blessings.

SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

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| Pastor | Pastor Scott Meier |
| Assistant | |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kate Blough |
| Acolyte/Crucifer | Youth |
| Altar Guild | Bev Haire |
| Greeters | |
| Ushers | Ed and Fammie Peter |
| Audio | Bill Holman |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | Dan Diekhoff |
| Financial Assistant | Lyle Gernand |

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pastor | Pastor Scott Meier |
| Assistant | Virginia Klemens |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kristina Peter |
| Acolyte/Crucifer | Youth |
| Altar Guild | Bev Haire |
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**Scripture Readings for next week: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6;
John 11: 32-44**