

Word of God Lutheran Church

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Our Mission:

With God's help we are called to be a multi-generational traditional church, grounded in the Bible and focused on service in the community and mission outreach.

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 2020**

ORDER OF SERVICE
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Advent † Christmas † Epiphany † Lent † Easter † **Pentecost**

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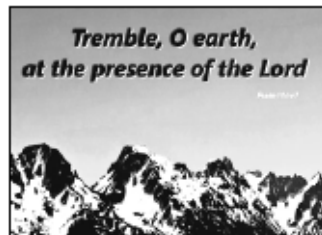
* Please stand as able

† Communion will be celebrated today.

NOTE: Page numbers are in the front of the hymnal, followed by the Hymn numbers. *LBW* is the green *Lutheran Book of Worship*. *WOV* is the blue *With One Voice Hymnal*.

Exodus 14:19-31

¹⁹ Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, ²⁰ coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night. ²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. ²² And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ²³ The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. ²⁴ And in the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, ²⁵ clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the Lord fights for them against the Egyptians." ²⁶ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." ²⁷ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the Lord threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. ²⁸ The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. ²⁹ But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ³⁰ Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. ³¹ Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.



Psalm 114

114 When Israel went out from Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

**² Judah became his sanctuary,
Israel his dominion.**

³ The sea looked and fled;
Jordan turned back.

**⁴ The mountains skipped like rams,
the hills like lambs.**

⁵ What ails you, O sea, that you flee?
O Jordan, that you turn back?

**⁶ O mountains, that you skip like rams?
O hills, like lambs?**

⁷ Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

**⁸ who turns the rock into a pool of water,
the flint into a spring of water.**

Romans 14:1-12

14 As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ² One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³ Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. ⁵ One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶ The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷ For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸ For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Matthew 18:21

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. ²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Devotion Booklet – September 13, 2020

Prayer List

- Sheena – Please pray for guidance for her doctors in navigating complications with much needed surgery; Russ Crawford. (9/8)
- College students – Please pray for protection from the Covid 19 virus for returning students, teachers, and staff; Prather family. (9/8)
- Mary Alice Rue – Please pray for a swift recovery from Covid 19 for Mary's dad's friend and neighbor; Prather family. (9/8)
- Destiny Riekeberg – Please pray. She is a 9-year-old diagnosed with terminal cancer currently in hospice; Ferrier family. (8/30)
- Dan Poff – Please pray. Cancer treatments are making him very weak; Melinda Poff. (8/30)
- Praise! We have moved into our new home; Melinda Poff. (8/30)
- Elijah – Please continue to pray for healing and health for this infant. He is a micro-preemie; Linda Williams. (8/23)
- Praise! Bill Riordan, Colleen's brother, has recovered from C 19 and has returned to work; Colleen Oakes. (8/23)
- Tucker Miller – Please pray. He was born at 24 weeks old; Ferrier family. (8/23)
- Praise! Paul Rosecky, the Farms's son-in-law, is now home from rehab; Ruth & Alan Farms. (8/23)
- Lee Gum – Please pray for a swift recovery from C 19 for Sue's sister-in-law. She is a nurse; Sue Burnett. (8/23)
- Praise! Carson, a 17-year-old has clear scans after 5 months of chemo treatment; Margie & Danny Bell. (8/23)
- Praise! Corkey Reel is a great-grandmother. Moriah Grace Smith, daughter of Victoria and Ben Smith, was born on July 15, 2020; Corkey Reel. (8/19)
- Nancy Beaupre – Please pray for healing for a broken hip and wrist after a fall; Corkey Reel. (8/18)
- Patty Lambert's family – Please pray for comfort and peace as they mourn their loss of Patty's Aunt, her cousin's mother; Patty & Bob Lambert. (8/16)
- Betty Curtis – Please pray for strength to care for her husband during the final stages of his illness; Gwyn & Mike Wilson. (8/18)
- Jim Gum – Please pray for a speedy recovery from C 19; Sue & Randy Burnett. (8/9)
- Erin Burnett – Please pray for a new job for the Burnett's daughter. She was laid off from the GA Aquarium after 10 years of service; Sue & Randy Burnett. (8/9)
- Praise! Bruce Cole was given all clear at his follow-up doctor visit; Vija Cole. (8/9)
- Perry Ashman – Please pray, his cancer treatments are not working; Vija Cole. (8/9)
- Hilbert Dunning Jr. – Please pray, he has been diagnosed with interstitial fibrosis; Ruth & Alan Farms. (8/9)
- Please pray for all teachers and students as they begin a new school year; Linda Williams. (8/9)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please follow the public health guidances issued for Covid 19 by wearing a mask and practicing social distancing while attending service. Pastor Kollmeyer will not be shaking hands before or after service. He is responsible for the care of his elderly father.
- **Baby Clothes Drive** for families in Honduras. Please help the families by donating gently used or new baby clothes, socks, hats, and blankets. All items need to be at the church no later than Sunday, October 4. Donated items will be collected in suitcases located in the fellowship hall.
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study** resumes September 16, at 6:30 PM. The group will continue their study on the Gospel of John. Please contact Linda Williams or Robin Davis for more information
- Calling all volunteers. Please consider being a part of the **Worship Assistants' Ministry**. Adults and Confirmed high school youth are welcome and will be trained. Please contact Linda Lake at lllake4gmail.com or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- WoG will be celebrating **Communion** on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Please pick up your self-contained Communion set as you enter the narthex along with your bulletin.
- Due to Covid 19, we are temporarily not passing the **offering plate** during service. There is a basket for your envelopes as you enter the sanctuary.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, September 16, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, September 17, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Cathy Moore at mooreteam5@gmail.com for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, September 15 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, September 16 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, September 17 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at ltcbowler@gmail.com, or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- The next **Redeemer Soup Kitchen** service opportunity in Atlanta will be Tuesday, September 29. Volunteers meet in the parking lot at Mimi's restaurant at 8:30 AM to carpool. Please contact Cathy Moore at mooreteam5@gmail.com for more information.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous Monday at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to wogadmin@woglutheran.org.*

August 2020 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, or Scholarship funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance:	101
Monthly Giving:	27,952
Monthly Benevolence:	\$3,075
Building for Our Future Giving to Date:	\$735,126

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Upcoming Events
Please Mark Your Calendars!

- Sunday, September 13** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- **Chapel Chat, 11:30 AM**
- Monday, September 14** - **Property Team Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Tuesday, September 15** - **Midwest Food Distribution, 8:00 AM**
- **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- **Midwest Food Distribution, 6:00 PM**
- Wednesday, September 16** - **Midwest Food Distribution, 8:00 AM**
- **RLC Warehouse Senior Box Dist., 9:00 AM**
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 PM**
- **Service Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Thursday, September 17** - **Midwest Food Distribution, 8:00 AM**
- **RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:00 AM**
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- **Fish Stix Rehearsal, 6:30 PM**
- Friday September 18** - **Crafters' Weekend, 10:00 AM**
- Saturday, September 19** - **Crafters' Weekend, 10:00 AM**
- Sunday, September 20** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- Monday, September 21** - **M.O.M. Team Meeting, 5:30 PM**
- Tuesday, September 22** - **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- **Pathways2 Bible Study, 7:00 PM**
- Wednesday, September 23** - **Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 PM**
- Thursday, September 24** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Sunday, September 27** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- Tuesday, September 29** - **Redeemer Soup Kitchen, 8:30 AM**
- **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- Wednesday, September 30** - **Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 PM**
- Thursday, October 1** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**

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