

Word of God Lutheran Church
Grow • Build • Serve



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.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 8, 2024

ORDER OF SERVICE
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Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • **Pentecost**
Please refer to the blue With One Voice hymnal for service.

ENTRANCE RITE

Fish STIX Mission Trip Presentation

Announcements

Call to worship chime

- * Brief Order of Confession and ForgivenessWOV 10
- * Entrance Hymn **"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"** screen
- * GreetingWOV 28
- * Hymn of PraiseWOV 29
- * The Lord be with youWOV 30
- * Prayer of the Day

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalms (*Read Responsively*) Psalm 146

Second Reading James 2:1-10, 14-18

- * Alleluia VerseWOV 31
- * Gospel Mark 7:24-37

Children's Sermon

Sermon

- * Hymn of the Day **"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"**LBW 433

Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles

- * Apostles' CreedWOV 33
- * PrayersWOV 34
- * Share the PeaceWOV 34

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL

Offering

OffertoryWOV 35

- * Offertory PrayerWOV 35

* Great ThanksgivingWOV 36

* Holy, Holy, HolyWOV 36

* Words of InstitutionWOV 37

* The Lord's PrayerWOV 39

"Lamb of God"WOV 39

† Communion*Hymns are listed on the screen*

* BlessingWOV 40

* Canticle "Thankful Hearts"WOV 40

* Prayer, Blessing, DismissalWOV 41

* Closing Hymn **"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"**LBW 423

* Sending

* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

Isaiah 35:4–7a

⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.” ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Psalms 146

1 Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**² I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

³ Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

**⁴ When his breath departs he returns to the earth;
on that very day his plans perish.**

⁵ Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord his God,

**⁶ who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,
who keeps faith forever;**

⁷ who executes justice for the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry.
The Lord sets the prisoners free;

**⁸ the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous.**

⁹ The Lord watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**¹⁰ The Lord will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the Lord!**

James 2:1–10, 14–18

¹ My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ² For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³ and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴ have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵ Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶ But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷ Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called? ⁸ If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹ But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷ So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸ But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.



Mark 7:24–37

²⁴ From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵ But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶ Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸ But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹ And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰ And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone. ³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, **communion** will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- *Reminder, **Confirmation Class Parents' Meeting*** following today's service. For more information, please contact Pastor Jason.
- *Mark your calendars, a **New Member Reception*** has been scheduled for Sunday, September 29 in the fellowship hall following service. Please take a moment to stop by and introduce yourself.
- **Children's Choir** practices every Sunday following service, 11:30 AM to 11:45 AM. All children ages 4 to 5th grade are welcome! Please contact Deanna McAteer or Britt Burns for more information.
- **Tuesdays with God Bible Study** will resume on Tuesday, September 10, at 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Vija Cole or Linda Williams for more information. All are welcome!
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study** resumes Wednesday, September 11, at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Robin Davis at crkbd@aol.com for more information. All are welcome!
- **Fish Stix Friday Night Fun Night** resumes its fall meeting schedule on Friday, September 13, at 7 PM. For more information, please contact Andi Laaker at wogfishstix@gmail.com. The group meets the second Friday of each month.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, September 11 at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, September 19, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at suegburnett@att.net for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, September 17 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, September 18 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, September 19 (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.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the **weekly announcement submission** deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday** at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to woglutheran@gmail.com.*

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