



» MONTHLY «

NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 4th Independence Day (250th!)
- July 5th Holy Communion
- July 6th VBS Clean up/decorate day 9:30AM
- July 8th Council Meeting 7 PM
- July 12th Potluck & Voters Meeting
- July 13-17th Vacation Bible School 9am-noon
- July 19th Holy Communion
- July 26th Newsletter entries are due



MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE

At the time of this publication, the weekly memory verses were unavailable on lcms.org. Please see the announcement slides for updates.



Vacation

Bible
School

July 13-17, 2026

9AM TO NOON

AGES 3 TO 12 YRS

BIBLE STORIES, SONGS, CRAFTS AND A DAILY SNACK!

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LWML:

No regular meeting in July

Camp Perkins LWML retreat is July 18-19th
to register, please see Roberta.

Mite boxes are available to help with Mission
Projects.

Next meeting will be August 6th at 7 PM

85th Anniversary

Planning Meeting:

Our next planning session for the anniversary will be
Wednesday June 17th at 6 PM

If you volunteered to help, we need you to attend!

Save the date:

Sunday February 20, 2028

**(watch for more updates, details and ways
WE WILL NEED HELP!)**



Camp Perkins

**We sponsored a Camp Perkins staff member
this summer!**

**His name is Paul L from Pocatello, ID
he is a senior in high school this fall.**

Paul is a maintenance worker this summer.

We will make a special care package for Paul in July.

Look out for more information!

Newsletter Submissions:

We need newsletter submissions! If you find something interesting, please leave it for Cassie in the office. (grey metal basket)

Include your name and where you found the article, poem, song, image, etc. This way credit can be given to the author and Cassie can try to copy and paste to save time creating the newsletter! We also do not want to accidentally plagiarize anything and endure legal issues.



Heaven's Grocery Store

As I was walking down life's
highway many years ago
I came upon a sign that read
Heaven's Grocery Store.

When I got a little closer
the doors swung open wide
And when I came to myself
I was standing inside.

I saw a host of angels.
They were standing everywhere
One handed me a basket and said,
"My child shop with care."

Everything a human needed
was in that grocery store
And what you could not carry
you could come back for more.

First I got some Patience.
Love was in that same row
Futherdown was Understanding,
you need that everywhere you go.

I got a box or two of Wisdom
and Faith a bag or two.

And Charit
y of course

I would need some of that too.

I couldn't miss the Holy Ghost
It was all over the place.

And then some Strenght and
Courage
to help me run this race.

My basket was getting full but
I remembered I needed Grace,
And then I chose Salvation for
Salvation was for free
I tried to get enough of that
to do for you and me

Then I started to the counter
to pay my grocery bill,
For I thought I had everything
to do the Masters will.



Heaven's Grocery Store

As I went up the aisle I saw
Prayer and put that in,
For I knew when I stepped outside
I would run into sin.

Peace and Joy were plentiful,
the last things on the shelf.
Song and Praise were hanging near
so I just helped myself.

Then I said to the angel
“How much do I owe?”
He smiled and said
“Just take them everywhere you go.”

Again I asked “Really now,
how much do I owe?”
“My child,” he said,

“God paid your bill a long,
long time ago.”

Author and source unknown



Block Party:

June 26th was an exciting day for everyone. The event brought fun and fellowship plus the weather kept us on our toes all afternoon!

19 church members, 4 helpers, 1 of our own kids, 3 adults and 7 other children attended this event.

The hotdogs were delicious, games were entertaining for all and the fellowship was great. One mother and her two daughters had an absolute blast with the water bombs! THANK YOU to everyone who attended and helped set up, quickly pull stuff out of the rain and all the wet clean up!





PSALM
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ave me, O Lord, from all my pursuers
and deliver me, lest like a lion they tear
my soul apart, rending it in pieces,
with none to deliver.

(PSALM 7:1B-2)

STRUCTURE

- v. 1-5** David's plea based on his innocence.
- v. 6-11** Arise, righteous judge!
- v. 12-16** The Lord punishes the wicked.
- v. 17** Thanksgiving to God.

AT A GLANCE

- OF A KIND** A psalm of individual lament.
- WHO'S TALKING?** A Shiggaion of David, which he sang to the Lord concerning the words of Cush, a Benjaminite.
- "SHIGGAION"** The meaning of this term is unknown.
- "CUSH"** This person is not mentioned anywhere else in the Bible.



Jesus is the Man whose hands and lips are undefiled, who committed no sin and yet suffered at the hands of wicked men, who was put to death for the sins of all.

CHRIST IS HERE

David was slandered by Cush the Benjaminite. This drives him to seek the Lord as his refuge — his only hope of safety, security and salvation. Some people mistakenly think that David is claiming sinlessness in this psalm. That is not the case. David merely states that he is not guilty of what Cush is accusing him of doing. He cries out to the Lord not because he is perfectly pure, but because he is innocent in this particular matter. So he calls on the Lord to arise and judge his slanderer. As the psalm continues, it becomes clear that this is something that all believers can do, because it is the Lord who punishes all the wicked. All those who are opposed to the Lord and His people can be converted, but if they are not, then we pray that they would be stopped. It is to the Lord Most High that we sing praise and give thanks because He is righteous — He keeps his promises to us and acts on our behalf for our good, even defeating our enemies and slanderers.

SPIRITUAL CARE

- During persecution.
- When temptation is strong.
- Before meeting with an adversary.
- In pursuit of humility and against pride.



USE IN THE CHURCH

- Antiphon:** v. 11
- In the Daily Office:** Sunday at Matins
- At the Divine Service:**
 - One-Year:** Verse for Trinity 1 (v. 1) and Trinity 2 (v. 17, historically v. 11)



PSALM PRAYER

O God, You search all hearts. Deliver us from the fury of those who persecute us and strengthen our hearts as we await Your judgment, that we may never repay evil for evil; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PSALM
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How majestic is your name in all the earth, O Lord, our Lord!
(PSALM 8:1)



STRUCTURE

- v. 1-2** O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!
- v. 3-5** God looks in favor upon man, crowning him with glory and honor.
- v. 6-8** Man is given dominion over God's creation.
- v. 9** O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!



AT A GLANCE

PART OF A WHOLE

Psalm 7 concluded with a vow to give praise to the Lord, a feature often found in lament psalms; Psalm 8 is the content of that praise.

"WHAT IS MAN"

At the other end of the psalter (PSALM 144:3), David asks this question again, emphasizing the unmerited grace and favor of the Lord.

"SON OF MAN"

Jesus takes this title upon Himself throughout the Gospels, rooted in the visions of Daniel 7:13-14 (see also PSALM 80:17).



Jesus, as Hebrews 2:6-8 declares, is the "Son of Man" who for a "little while" was made lower than the angels, but now has had all things placed under His feet.

CHRIST IS HERE

When God created man, the crown and culmination of all that He made, this creature was given a fivefold command: "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth" (GEN. 1:28). David reflects on these words in Psalm 8, marveling that God would be so gracious as to honor man with such a task. He looks at all the great things that God has set in place, such as the moon and the stars, those mighty guardians of the night sky. "What is man?" he asks in wonder. Man is lower than the angels, who serve God before his heavenly throne, yet he has been given charge over this earth. He has dominion, which means he is a steward, caring for God's creation as God's own representative. It also means that all of creation was made for the provision and delight of man. To this the only response can be praise — the praise that brackets this psalm — praise of His Name. Such praises, uttered even by nursing infants, have the power to put God's enemies to shame.



SPIRITUAL CARE

- In praise of Jesus.
- When teaching the Incarnation.
- When teaching creation.
- For humility in our vocations.
- In praise of God's providence.

USE IN THE CHURCH

Antiphon: v. 1b

In the Daily Office: Sundays at Matins; Matins on the Ascension; for Martyrs and Confessors (individual or multiple), Virgins and a Holy Woman

At the Divine Service:

Psalm for Circumcision of Jesus (ant. v. 9)

One-Year:

Introit for Christmas 2 (ant. v. 2); introit verses for Easter Day and Holy Trinity
Gradual for Trinity 9 (v. 1)

Psalm for Trinity 21 (ant. v. 9)

Three-Year:

Seasonal Gradual for Easter (v. 6)

Psalm for Holy Trinity A&C (ant. v. 9)

PSALM PRAYER

O almighty God, we call on Your name and pray that as You have given all the sheep and oxen, the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens and the fish of the sea for the service of humanity, that You also move us to joyfully serve You in will and in deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

PSALM

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