

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026**

The Mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is the preaching, teaching, baptizing and sharing the love of Christ in our church, our community and our world.



Welcome to Trinity!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning. We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ who seek to love God with all of our heart, with all of our mind, and with all of our soul. We have a deep desire that all would come to the saving knowledge of the truth of Jesus as Lord! We cordially invite you to worship with us every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and join us for Bible Class and Sunday School after church.

Pre-Service Music

Prelude – Ringing of the Bells – Greeting

Please Stand

Confession and Absolution

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: 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.

L: 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.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. So, then, in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn

Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766 sts. 1–3

I Our Father, who from heav'n above

Bids all of us to live in love

As members of one family

And pray to You in unity,

Teach us no thoughtless words to say

But from our inmost hearts to pray.

2 Your name be hallowed. Help us, Lord,

In purity to keep Your Word,

That to the glory of Your name

We walk before You free from blame.

Let no false teaching us pervert;

All poor deluded souls convert.

- 3 Your kingdom come. Guard Your domain
And Your eternal righteous reign.
The Holy Ghost enrich our day
With gifts attendant on our way.
Break Satan's pow'r, defeat his rage;
Preserve Your Church from age to age.

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Introit

L: The LORD is merciful and gracious,

C: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

L: As for man, his days are like grass;

C: he flourishes like a flower of the field;

L: for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,

C: and its place knows it no more.

L: But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,

C: and his righteousness to children's children,

L: to those who keep his covenant

C: and remember to do his commandments.

L: The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,

C: and his kingdom rules over all.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

L: The LORD is merciful and gracious,

C: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Kyrie

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L: 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.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.



L: Let us pray... Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:10–13

¹⁰“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. ¹²“For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. ¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

L: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

L: For from him and through him and to him are all things.

C: To him be glory forever. Amen.

Special Music

VBS Kids

Children’s Message and Mighty Mites

Bruce Sletten

Epistle Reading

Romans 8:12–17

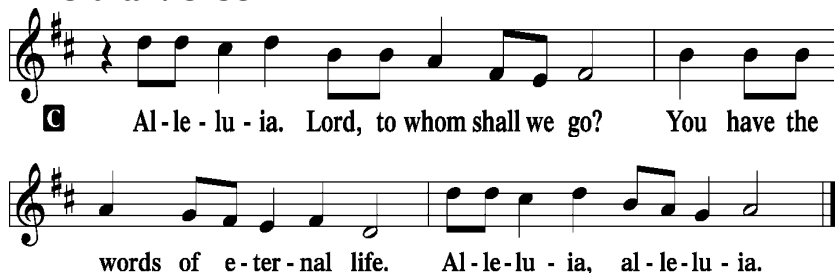
¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Please Stand

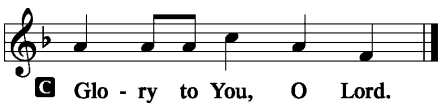
Alleluia Verse



Holy Gospel

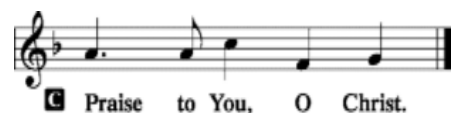
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.



¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear. . . . ¹⁸"Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



Please Sit

Hymn of the Day

Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766 sts. 4-6

4 Your gracious will on earth be done

As it is done before Your throne,

That patiently we may obey

Throughout our lives all that You say.

Curb flesh and blood and ev'ry ill

That sets itself against Your will.

5 Give us this day our daily bread,
And let us all be clothed and fed.

Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
In plague and famine, spare our life,
That we in honest peace may live,
To care and greed no entrance give.

6 Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore,
That they may trouble us no more;
We, too, will gladly those forgive
Who hurt us by the way they live.

Help us in our community
To serve each other willingly.

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Sermon

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Offering and Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



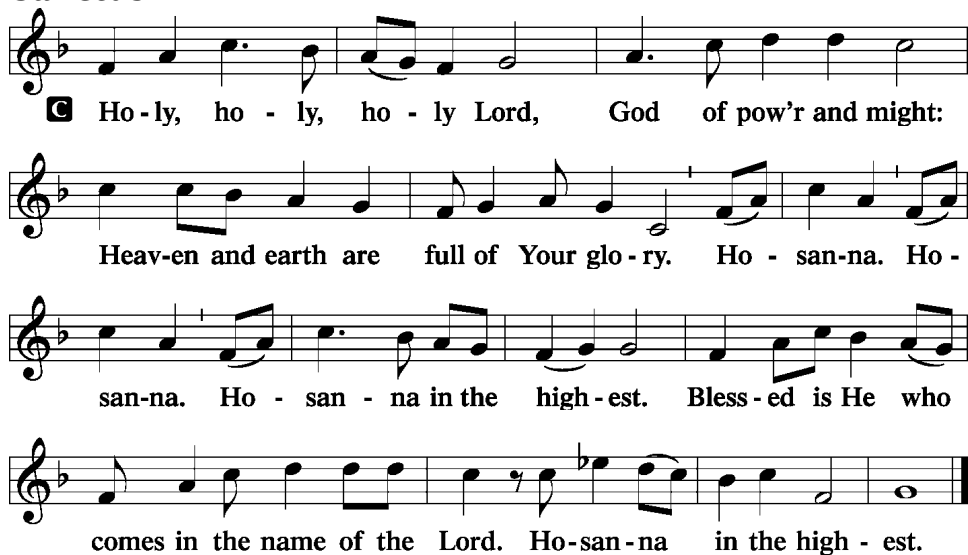
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion Confession

I Cor.10:17* Acts 2:42** I Cor. 11:23-32***

As a member of the LCMS, Trinity practices closed communion. If you are not a member of Trinity Church and desire communion please speak to Pastor or one of our Elders prior to the service. Individuals are welcome to come forward for a blessing with their arms crossed over their chest.

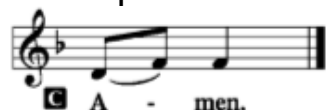
P: The Lord's Supper is God's gift for Christians who are properly taught. In communing, we want people to receive Christ's body and blood for their good. This means that as you come to the Lord's Table you affirm that Jesus is your Savior and Lord; and with Lutheran Christians (LCMS), you confess:

C: I recognize and confess that I am a sinner. I repent of my sin and ask God's forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin, Satan and death. I believe that the risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament, and under the form of the bread and wine, I receive His true body and blood for the forgiveness of my sin and the strengthening of my faith and life.

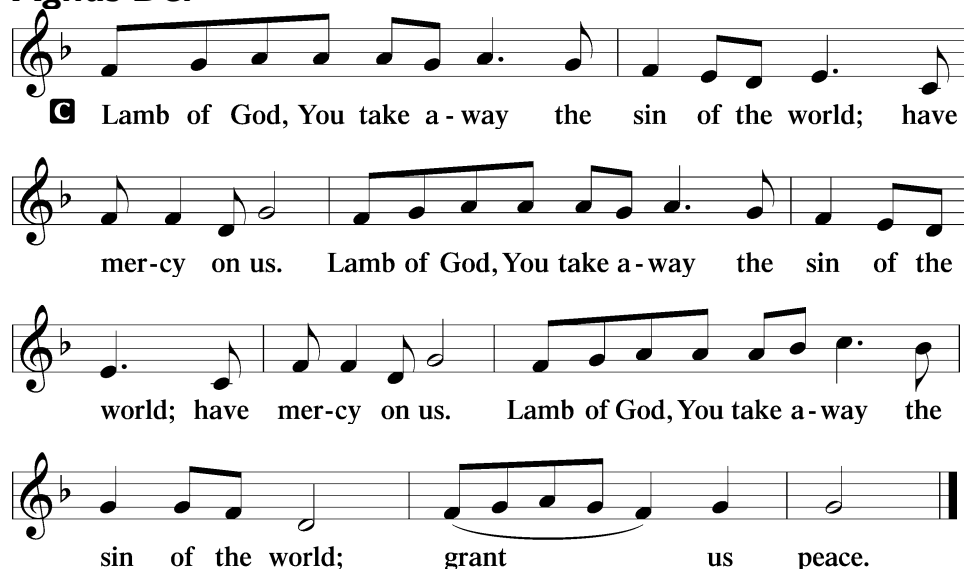
The Words of our Lord

Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei



Please Sit

Distribution and Distribution Hymns

Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure

LSB 533

1 Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!
Heaven and earth, now proclaim this great wonder:
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!

2 Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!

3 Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the pris'ners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!

4 Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen
All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief

Ever has failed of relief?

Wings of His mercy did shade you.

4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew

What the Almighty can do

As with His love He befriends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the Amen

Sound from His people again;

Gladly forever adore Him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725

1 Children of the heav'nly Father

Safely in His bosom gather;

Nestling bird nor star in heaven

Such a refuge e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish;

In His holy courts they flourish.

From all evil things He spares them;

In His mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever

From the Lord His children sever;

Unto them His grace He showeth,

And their sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Though He giveth or He taketh,

God His children ne'er forsaketh;

His the loving purpose solely

To preserve them pure and holy.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958

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You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Ref You satisfy the hungry heart

With gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord,

The bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,

They know and heed his voice;

So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord,

We follow and rejoice. Refrain

2 With joyful lips we sing to You

Our praise and gratitude

That You should count us worthy, Lord,

To share this heav'nly food. Refrain

3 Is not the cup we bless and share

The blood of Christ outpoured?

Do not one cup, one loaf, declare

Our oneness in the Lord? Refrain

4 The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord,

No mortal tongue can tell:

Whom all the world cannot contain

Comes in our hearts to dwell. Refrain

5 You give Yourself to us, O Lord;

Then selfless let us be,

To serve each other in Your name

In truth and charity. Refrain

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Please Stand

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord



☐ 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: Let us pray.

C: 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.



Benediction

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.



Closing Hymn

Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

LSB 766 sts. 7-9

7 Lead not into temptation, Lord,
Where our grim foe and all his horde
Would vex our souls on ev'ry hand.
Help us resist, help us to stand
Firm in the faith, a mighty host,
Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.

8 From evil, Lord, deliver us;
The times and days are perilous.
Redeem us from eternal death,
And, when we yield our dying breath,
Console us, grant us calm release,
And take our souls to You in peace.

9 Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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Confirmation Roll Call

Announcements

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COMMUNION CONFESSIONS SCRIPTURES

*“ Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”

**“And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.”

***“ For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, 24and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” 25In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. 28Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died.31But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. 32 But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

THOSE TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Health- Joan Haines, Emma Conklin, RoseMarie Dieckhoff, Dana Robb, Delphine Lehde Mullan, Kathleen Mueller, Erin Hunt, Jim Bracht, Alyssa Parrigon, Tess Holle, Dick Highfill, David Tunnell, Grace Doss, Karen Schmedeke, Don Schmedeke, Karen Miller, Baby Reed Fuemmeler, Lois Gaddy, Robbie Krueger, Stephen Schoen, Debbie Schoen, David Holle, Mark Fellwock, Sharon Curtit, Connie Prater

Prayers for the family and friends of Eldred Holle, Elly went to his heavenly home on July 6.

Anniversaries- Ed & Lori Evatt are celebrating 31 years of marriage on July 14.

Birthday's- Allene Spree is celebrating 89 years of life on July 12.

Remembering our Seasoned Saints (80+ years old)- Sharon Curtit, Grace Doss, Lois Gaddy, Robert Harris, Karen Kleiboeker, Doris Meyer, Nick Prater, Fay Schoen, Bonnie Worm

Families of the Week– Marcia Parrigon family, Joe Pennington family, Robert Petrowsky family, Nick Prater family, Anthony Presley family, DeWayne Pugh family, Charlotte Quick family, David Rector family, Ed Rhea family, Richie Rhea family, Trent Rickman, Ty Roethemeier, Steve Roldan family

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Self Service Nursery is available in the chapel for families with children. Toys and Supplies are in the cabinet. Ask an usher for assistance.

Lap Robes are in the black cabinet in the narthex and bell tower. Please ask an Usher or Elder for assistance if needed.

For Altar Flowers- contact the Church Office.

Assisting in Today's Service

Preacher:	Rev. Jake Sletten
Assisting:	Lay Minister Bruce Sletten
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