ORDER FOR WORSHIP

15th Sunday After Pentecost – September 21, 2025

**WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP** - (Silence and Prayer is appropriate)

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Prayer of the Day

**WE HEAR THE WORD**

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**WE GIVE THANKS**

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Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer Sung

**WE LEAVE TO DO OUR WORK ON GOD’S BEHALF**

Benediction

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Postlude

**Welcome to Worship!** We're excited to see so many members and visitors here to celebrate together in our church home. God has granted us so many gifts and opportunities to share God's love with everyone we meet.

**Today’s Altar Flowers and Radio Broadcast** are given in honor of our 55th wedding anniversary on September 19th from

Duane and Caren Johnson.



**The Mission Endowment Fund** has designated funds to help our members who are in need of assistance. Please contact Pastor Don for more information.

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**Please note our new**

**Church Office Hours.**

**Monday – Thursday 7:30am – 4:30pm**

**Friday 7:30am – 12:00pm**

In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the office at 269-8824. The Pastors have left their cell phone numbers in their voicemails.

**Bells & Chimes and Church Choir** have begun practicing again. Please join us on Wednesday’s starting at 5:00 pm for Chimes followed by Bells at 6:00 pm and Choir at 7:00pm. We welcome all those who enjoy music.

***Ministry of Caring***

***We give thanks to God for God's healing power.  Your prayers have made a big difference in the lives of our people on this list. Please continue to pray for each person by name.  As we offer our prayers, God’s love fills us with grace.***

**Health for Members**

Mike Diggins; Kay Gustafson; Mary Ann Nordaune; Don Haugerud; Sheryl Maus; Bea Hoppe; Dianne Dvergsten; Kyle Haase;

Darwin TeBeest; Jenell Dahl; Nancy Dack; Diane & Dennis Loose;

Mike Fagen; Julie Rhode; Lowell Hanson; Darlene Ulven; Tom Albrecht; Pastor Chris; Don Maland; Paul Arends; Lynette Arends; Curt Winters; Marilyn Kvanli and Kathy Gilkey.

**Health for Others**

**Name****Requested By**

Emily Evenson Tom Albrecht

Amerie Tell, Mitch Augeson Sally Groothuis

Cathy Teske Pam Haugerud

Tim & Andrea Dreier Mary Ann Nordaune

Jerry Cronen Karen Kepner

Tim Johnson, Mike Halvorson Lois & DeVon Vien

Lyn Bonnema Margit Bonnema

Delores Bursack Deb & Jerry Larson

Neal Dalton Doris Larson

Randy Lee Caren & Duane Johnson

Linda Bendickson, Brenda Ulven Darlene Ulven

Trevor Hansen Pat & Ron Binnebose

Alyson, Joe & Cam Helgeson Rosie Dehli

Gina Jung Thorne Sue Varpness

Willard Arnold Yvonne Ward

Andi Moon Pam & Dave Arneson

Jim & Jody Renbarger Barb Smith

**Serving in the Military**

**Bowen Tesch,** grandson of Jim & Deb Bowen; **Paul Evenson,** son-in-law of Karyn Maass; **Dennis DeJong,** friend of Lois Christenson;

**Sean Prior,** grandson of DeVon & Lois Vien; **Justin Olsen,** grandson of Ken & Janice Olsen; **Alan Gronewold,** son of Gladys Nelson;

**Tyler Meyenburg,** son of Rick & Mort Meyenburg;

**Kirk Larson &** **Ross Larson,** sons of Jerry & Deb Larson;

**Daniel Harter & Shane McDonald,** sons-in-law of Susan Marcinkowski.

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**Week of September 22nd through September 28th**

**Tuesday**

10:15 am Staff Meeting

10:30 am Worship on Channel 180

**Wednesday**

7:00 am Roll with Jesus

1:30 pm WELCA

2:30 pm Worship on Channel 180

5:00 pm Chimes Practice

6:00 pm Handbell Practice

6:30 pm Confirmation

7:00 pm WOW

7:00 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday**

10:30 am Worship on Channel 180

**Sunday**

9:00 am Worship/Holy Communion

10:15 am Sunday School/Coffee Fellowship

11:00 am Worship on KDMA 1460

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**First Reading: Amos 8:4-7**

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

4 Hear this, you who trample on the needy,  
  and bring to ruin the poor of the land,  
 5 saying, “When will the new moon be over  
  so that we may sell grain,  
 and the Sabbath,  
  so that we may offer wheat for sale?  
 We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier  
  and practice deceit with false balances,  
 6 buying the poor for silver  
  and the needy for a pair of sandals  
  and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”  
 7 The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
 Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

**Prayer of the Day**

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

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**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

The pastoral epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church’s focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

1 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. 3 This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, 4 who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For  
 there is one God;  
  there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
 Christ Jesus, himself human,  
  6 who gave himself a ransom for all  
—this was attested at the right time.7 For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.



**Gospel: Luke 16:1-13**

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest manager who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

1 Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2 So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ 3 Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ 5 So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ 6 He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ 7 Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ 8 And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are shrewder in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.  
  10 “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”