

# The Beatitudes

SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2022  
8:00AM TRADITIONAL





# Christian Education | 9:15-10:15am



Children ages 3 years through 6th grade check in at the back entrance to CLS on parking Lot 2



Confirmation Students (7th and 8th Graders) meet in Room 202.



High School Students meet in Youth Center Room 3.



A group for those in their 20's and 30's, meets in the CLS Teacher's Lounge.



A group that engages in an in-depth study of God's Word, verse by verse, meets in Room 203.



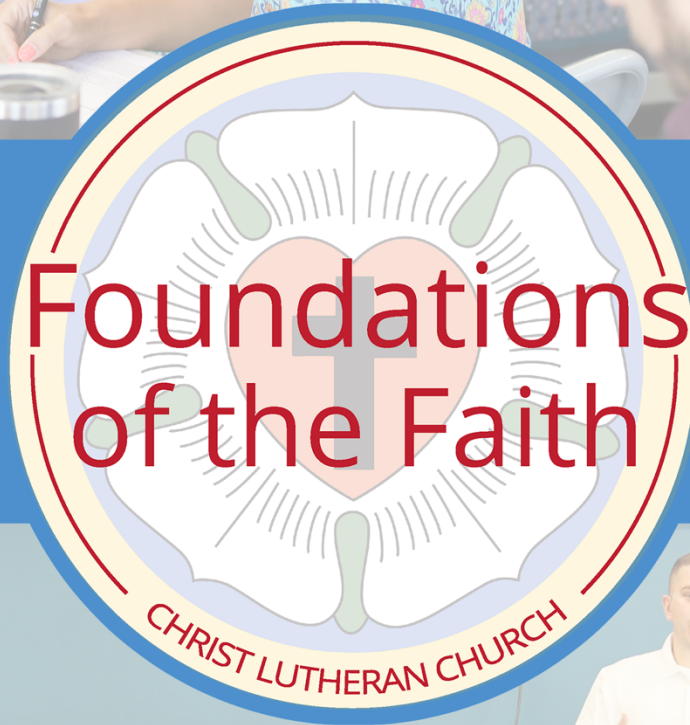
A group for fellowship and focusing in on God's word, meets in room 101



A group that explores issues that impact families, meets in Lucas Hall.

Kid Care for ages 2 and under.

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**9:15-10:15AM IN ROOM 1  
OF THE YOUTH CENTER.**

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PREGNANCY CARE CLINIC BANQUET

The annual Pregnancy Care Clinic Banquet and Fundraiser will be held this year on Thursday, October 20th. The Clinic's passion and mission is to help ensure that every child in our community might experience the gift of life. If you'd like to attend the banquet or would like to contribute, please visit the table in the Courtyard after worship.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Your Pacific Southwest District oversees the "Mission Training Center (MTC)". The MTC offers many courses and is all online. A few of the many courses offered include: "Christian Worship: Its Roots and Meaning", "Interpreting Scripture", and "Starting New Ministries", just to name a few. The class content is applicable for all Christians looking to dive deeper into their faith and learn practical ways to put that faith into action. Anyone can sign up and take a course! For more information. <https://missiontrainingcenter.com>.

## NEW GATE NEAR GYM

You might have noticed the addition of an automatic gate near the gym. This summer the Church Office and Youth Center both suffered break-ins on two separate occasions, which prompted us to reassess our security needs. As we seek to steward what God has given us, installing this gate was deemed as the best solution to keep our campus closed in the evening hours, thus limiting foot and vehicle traffic. Additionally, our staff has developed a three-phase plan to improve security throughout the campus over the next several months. If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail [tferguson@christlamesa.org](mailto:tferguson@christlamesa.org).

## AFGHAN REFUGEE NEEDS

Various members of our congregation have continued their work with and outreach to Afghan Refugee families. To discover current needs, visit [christlamesa.org/afghan-needs](http://christlamesa.org/afghan-needs).



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## **AS WE GATHER**

Welcome to worship! We are in an eight-week series that looks at one of the largest sections of teaching by Jesus: The Sermon on the Mount. Specifically, we will be examining the Beatitudes, exploring how Jesus provides us with instructions for living in the kingdom of God that are just as relevant today as they were two thousand years ago.

## **WELCOME AND INVOCATION**

**Leader:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen!**

## **OPENING HYMN**

## **LSB 537, BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**1 JOHN 1:8-9; HEBREWS 4:15-16**

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**People: But, if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(A time of silence for confession)*

Leader: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**People: 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.**



Leader: God, the Father of mercies, has reconciled the world to Himself through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ, not counting our trespasses against us, but sending His Holy Spirit to shed abroad His love among us. Receive His pardon and peace – your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*(Please be seated)*

## SCRIPTURE READING

## PSALM 37:1-11

Reader: In Psalm 37, David reminds us that God remembers and lifts up the lowly.

<sup>1</sup> Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong; <sup>2</sup> for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.

<sup>3</sup> Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. <sup>4</sup> Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: <sup>6</sup> He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.

<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil. <sup>9</sup> For those who are evil will be destroyed, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land.

<sup>10</sup> A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found. <sup>11</sup> But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

## MATTHEW 5:2-12

Reader: To honor the words and works of Jesus, please stand. Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes, which provide a doorway through which we are encouraged to pass, in the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them. He said: <sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. <sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

## APOSTLES' CREED

**People: 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. He will come again 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.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**DCE CHERI SELANDER**

## **MESSAGE HYMN**

## **LSB 760, WHAT GOD ORDAINS IS ALWAYS GOOD**

What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy.  
As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.  
My God indeed in ev'ry need  
Knows well how He will shield me; to Him, then, I will yield me.

What God ordains is always good: He never will deceive me;  
He leads me in His righteous way, and never will He leave me.  
I take content what He has sent;  
His hand that sends me sadness will turn my tears to gladness.

What God ordains is always good: He is my friend and Father;  
He suffers naught to do me harm though many storms may gather.  
Now I may know both joy and woe;  
Someday I shall see clearly that He has loved me dearly.

What God ordains is always good: this truth remains unshaken.  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.  
I fear no harm, for with His arm  
He shall embrace and shield me; so to my God I yield me.

## **MESSAGE**

**THE BEATITUDES: THE MEEK  
PASTOR TRAVIS FERGUSON**

## HYMN OF RESPONSE AND OFFERING

**CHRISTLAMESA.ORG/GIVE  
LSB 771, BE STILL, MY SOUL**

Be still, my soul, before the Lord, For God is always near.  
Before your mind is moved to pray, God listens and will hear.

Wait, then, in quiet confidence, your anxious thoughts at rest.  
God knows your needs before you ask and works for what is best.

Be still, my soul, before the Lord; on God in patience wait.  
God's love, unseen, surrounds your life; God's help will not be late.

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**People:**    **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.**

## PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

***2 TIMOTHY 4:22; COLOSSIANS 3:1***

**Leader:**    The Lord be with you.

**People:**    **And also with you.**

**Leader:**    Lift up your hearts.

**People:**    **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Leader:**    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:**    **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**Leader:**    It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole  
heart and mind and voice, to praise You, the Invisible, Almighty,  
and eternal God, and your only begotten Son Jesus Christ our  
Lord, who 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.

## THIS IS THE FEAST

**REVELATION 5:12-13; 19:5-9**



Leader: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



People: Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**MATTHEW 26:26-28**

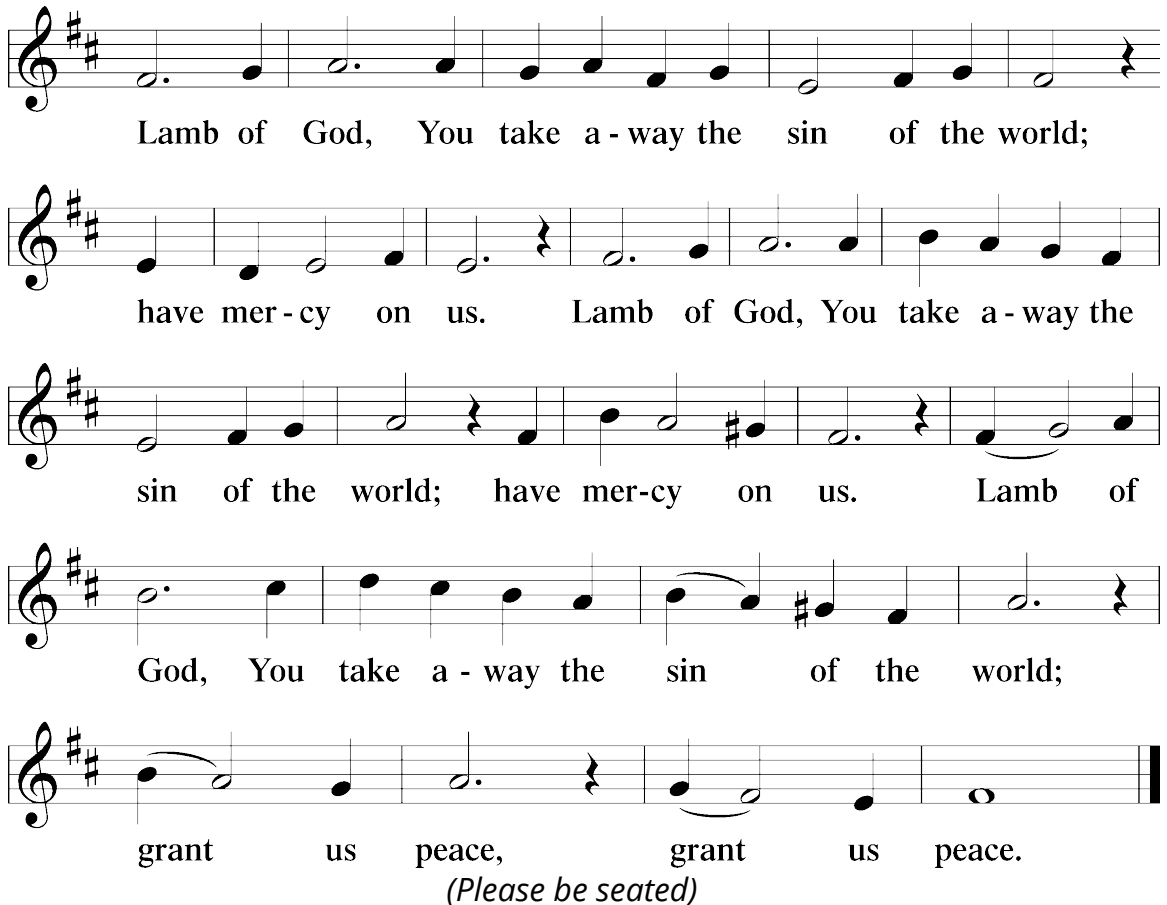
### SHARING OF THE PEACE

**Leader:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** And also with you.

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

JOHN 1:29



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the

sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

God, You take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace.  
(Please be seated)

### ***What we believe about Holy Communion***

*We believe Communion is Medicine for the sick, not a reward for the perfect. We believe that we are sinful, in need of grace, and want to do better. We believe, as Jesus said, that the bread and wine are truly and physically His body and His blood, which is the ultimate mystery of faith. If this is not your belief, are a child who has not taken the First Communion Class or are unfamiliar with the belief of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed so that we can give you a blessing by making the sign of the cross over you. We also encourage you to talk to one of our pastors after the service if you have questions.*

## HYMNS

### LSB 633, AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide flowing from His pierced side.  
Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His body for the feast—Christ the victim, Christ the priest.  
Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

### LSB 702, MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;  
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart;  
My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream  
 Shall o'er me roll,  
 Blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove;  
 O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

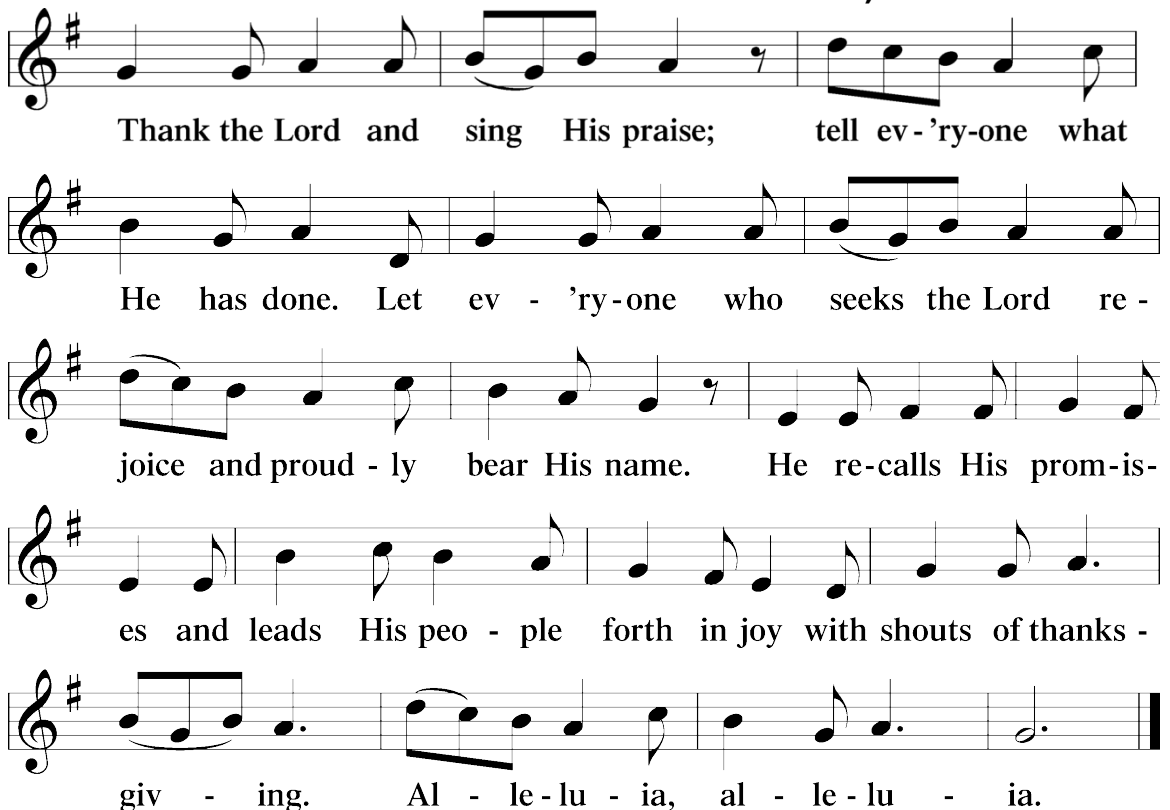
## PRAYER OF DISMISSAL

Leader: Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen  
 and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting.

People: Amen.

## THANK THE LORD

*1 CHRONICLES 16:8-10; PSALM 105:42-43*



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks 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.



## **BENEDICTION**

**NUMBERS 6:24-26**

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**LSB 648, GLORIOUS THINGS OF YOU ARE SPOKEN**

Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken formed you for His own abode.  
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake your sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded, you may smile at all your foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,  
Well supply your sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river ever will their thirst assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Your name.  
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, all their boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know.

## THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP AT 8:00AM

**Preacher & Worship Leader**

Pastor Travis Ferguson

**Acolyte**

Abbie Payne

**Reader**

Robin Vincelett

**Music Leader**

Kathy Barkett

**Organist**

Jeff Miller

**Worship Partner**

Mike McGhen

**Livestream Technician**

Stuart Gardner

**Sound Technician**

Craig Barkett

**Media Technician**

Alex Miller

**Communion Assistants**

Ryan Melendez, Gunnar Schalin,  
Steve Smith, Michael Welgan, Dave Wutke

## THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP AT 10:30AM

**Preacher & Worship Leader**

Pastor Travis Ferguson

**Acolyte**

Christina Olson

**Reader**

Don Mathiowetz

**Music Leader**

Youth Praise Band

**Worship Partner**

**Livestream Technician**

**Sound Technician**

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

## **TODAY | SEPTEMBER 18**

- 8:00 am—Traditional Worship
- 9:15 am—Sunday School
  - 3yrs -Grade 6—CLS Back Entrance
  - Confirmation—Room 202
  - Senior High—Youth Center Room 3
- 9:30 am—Christian Education Hour
  - Focus—Room 101
  - Bereans—Room 203
  - The Village—Lucas Hall
  - The Grace Group—CLS Teachers' Lounge
  - Foundations of the Faith—Youth Center Room 1
- 10:30 am—Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion
- 4:00 pm—Divorce Care & DC4K—Rooms 201 & 202
- 5:00 pm—Senior High Sunday Night—Youth Center

## **MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 19**

- No Events Scheduled

## **TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 20**

- 7:00 pm—Alcoholics Anonymous—Youth Building Room 1

## **WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 21**

- 10:00 am—Women's Bible Study—Lucas Hall

## **THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 22**

- 9:30 am—Insights—Lucas Hall
- 6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
- 6:30 pm—Al Anon Meeting—Fireside Room

## **FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 23**

- God Squad—Youth Center

## **SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 24**

- 7:30 am—Men's Bible Study in Lucas Hall

# In Our Prayers

## REJOICING

Lord, Philippians 4 tells us, "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near." Today, we rejoice that you are near to us. Your gentleness is upon us and we can find comfort in the peace your presence brings.

## ASKING

Psalms 121 says, "Yet, I will lift my eyes to you, for my help comes from you, the creator of heaven and earth." Lord, save us, keep us from evil, rescue us from this battle. For you are our keeper, our protector, our salvation. You watch over us day and night, guide our steps, and show us the way forward.

## CALLING

Lord, bless those who work in the medical field. Grant them faithfulness in the work You call them to do and joyfulness as they see Your power at work in the human body and beyond.

Lord, bless those who work in the areas of security and loss prevention. Keep them safe in their daily work.

## SERVING

Lord, bless the ministry of Pastor Steve Oliver and his work at the Lutheran Seminary in Taiwan in training pastors for Asia.

Lord, bless the ministry of Pastor Bill Brunold and his ministry at St. John Lutheran Church in Whittier, CA.



**Richard Burkey**  
Senior Pastor



**Travis Ferguson**  
Pastor of Family  
Connections



**Dave Peterson**  
Visitation Pastor



**Cheri Selander**  
Coordinator of  
Youth Ministries



**Brandon Heath**  
Minister of Youth



**Kathy Barkett**  
Director of  
Worship and Music



**Xavria Schwarz**  
Principal,  
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**Melissa Payne**  
Preschool Director



**Patti Maass**  
Church Administrator



**Emily Lieber**  
HR Specialist



**Craig Barkett**  
Director of Facilities



**Kathy Garces**  
Administrative Accountant



**Kathy Johnson**  
Worship and Music Assistant



**Kim Voss**  
Administrative Assistant



**Stuart Gardner**  
Director of Community  
and Communications



- Family Lounge for parents of infants/toddlers can be found at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Room 101 is located on the first floor of the Courtyard.
- Music Rooms and Rooms 201-203 are located on the second level of the Courtyard.

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