



August 22, 2021

**13th Sunday of Pentecost**

**August 22, 2021**

**151st Anniversary Liturgy —A Collection of Our Worship Heritage**

*In today's gospel many people take offense at Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh and drink his blood; even many of Jesus' disciples peel off. This is the backdrop in John's gospel for Peter's confession of faith. "To whom can we go?" asks Peter, in words we sometimes sing just before the gospel is read. "You have the words of eternal life." In order to take such a stand, as Peter and Joshua did, Paul tells us to arm ourselves with the word of God. We pray in the Spirit that we might be bold ambassadors of the gospel.*

**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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*CHURCH SERVICE BOOK, AUGUSTANA SYNOD 1928*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

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**P** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**C** Holy and righteous God, merciful Father, we confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. We have not loved Thee above all things, nor our neighbors as ourselves, and are worthy, therefore, to be cast away from Thy presence, if Thou shouldst judge us according to our sins. But Thou hast promised, O Heavenly Father, to receive with tender mercy all penitent sinners who turn unto Thee and with a living faith seek refuge in Thy compassion and in the merits of the Saviour, Jesus Christ. Their transgressions Thou wilt not regard, nor impute unto them their sins. Relying upon Thy promise, we confidently beseech Thee to be merciful and gracious unto us and to forgive us all our sins, to the praise and glory of Thy Holy Name.

**P** If this be your sincere confession, and if with penitent hearts, you earnestly desire the forgiveness of your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ. God, according to Thy will, forgiveth you all your sins; and by the authority of God's Word, and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare unto you that God, through grace, hath forgiven all your sins; in the Name of God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.  
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still  
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.  
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.  
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.  
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.  
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory be to God on High! And on earth peace, good will toward men.

*Congregation Sings:*

All glo - ry be to Thee, Most High, To Thee all a - do-

ra - tion! In grace and truth Thou draw - est nigh To of - fer

us sal - va - tion. Thou show - est Thy good will to

men, And peace shall reign on earth a - gain; We praise Thy

Name for - ev - er. *Modulation to Bb.*

*Modulation to G minor. (Lent.)*

P The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

P Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.** *Please be seated.*

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## WORD

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*EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP, ELCA 2006*

**FIRST READING: JOSHUA 24:1-2A, 14-18**

*In the Near East, covenant means “agreement” or “alliance.” It describes relationships and is the primary word used to characterize the relationship between God and Israel. By delivering Israel, God has already begun the relationship. Joshua calls upon the people to respond.*

<sup>1</sup>Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2a</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, <sup>14</sup>“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup>Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

<sup>16</sup>Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup>for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup>and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:15-22

*Sung responsively*



- <sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are up- | on the righteous,  
and God's ears are open | to their cry.
- <sup>16</sup>**The face of the LORD is against those | who do evil,  
to erase the remembrance of them | from the earth.**
- <sup>17</sup>The righteous cry, and | the LORD hears them  
and delivers them from | all their troubles.
- <sup>18</sup>**The LORD is near to the | brokenhearted  
and saves those whose spir- | its are crushed.**
- <sup>19</sup>Many are the troubles | of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers them from | every one.
- <sup>20</sup>**God will keep safe | all their bones;  
not one of them | shall be broken.**
- <sup>21</sup>Evil will bring death | to the wicked  
and those who hate the righteous | will be punished.
- <sup>22</sup>O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished.

**SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 6:10-20**

*Like a general giving a rousing speech to troops before battle, this letter closes by calling on Christians to be equipped for spiritual warfare against evil. The full armor of God includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, the gift of salvation, and the word of God inspired by the Spirit.*

<sup>10</sup>Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Please stand as you are able.*

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below each staff. The first two staves (Soprano and Alto) end with a double bar line, while the last two (Tenor and Bass) end with a final double bar line. The music is arranged in a four-part setting, with each part having its own line of music.

P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: JOHN 6:56-69**

*The “hard saying” that offends Jesus’ disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important question: “To whom shall we go?”*

Jesus said, <sup>56</sup>“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. <sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were

to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.

<sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” <sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Come, Let Us Eat*

ELW 491

*As you are able, please stand for the last verse.*



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



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## THE CREED

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

A Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

A God of courage, bless all leaders of your church. Make them ready to proclaim the gospel of peace and strengthen them to preach your loving word. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of creation, bless fields and orchards. Protect the land from drought and bring life-giving rain to support growth. Instruct your people in wise treatment of the world you have provided for all your creatures. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of community, bless all who seek justice between nations and peoples. Give guidance to bridge-builders, heal divisions, and inspire cooperation in times of crisis, disaster, and war. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of compassion, bless all who are in any need, especially Helen Laughlin, Linda Longren, Don O'Brien, Linda Stone, and Martha Nemeth. Accompany all who are lonely and feeling abandoned and remind them of your abiding presence. Accompany all who are persecuted and exploited and open us to their cries. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

- A God of change, bless our transitions. Guide all who are embarking on new stages in life such as a new job, new school, or new community. Sustain enduring friendships and kindle new relationships and interests. Lord, in your mercy,  
**C hear our prayer.**
- A God of life, we pray for those who celebrate this week. For Brian Russell Johnson and Loni Reece as they celebrate their birthdays. For Camdyn Ralph and Carsyn Ralph as they remember their baptisms. God, in your mercy,  
**C hear our prayer.**
- P God of comfort, bless all who mourn the deaths of their beloved ones. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Renew our confidence in your promise of resurrection and life in the world to come. Lord, in your mercy,  
**C hear our prayer.**
- P Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**C Amen.**

#### THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with God's peace.*

*Please be seated.*

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### SERVICE OF THE TABLE

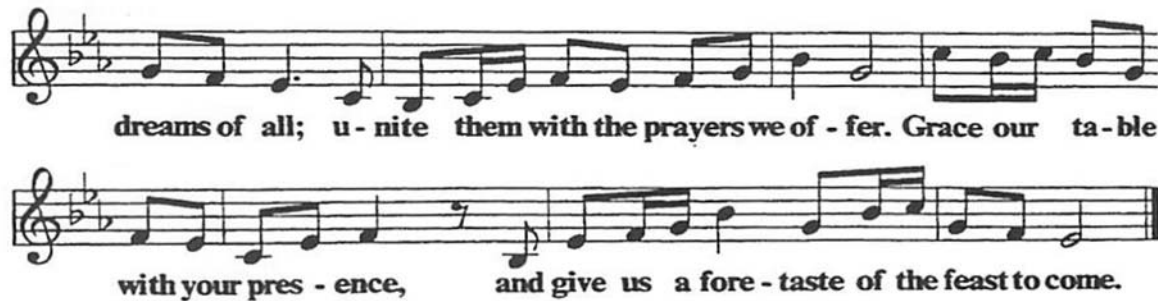
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*LUTHERAN BOOK OF WORSHIP, LCA/ALC/MISSOURI SYNOD 1978*

#### OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and



A Jesus, Bread of life,

**C you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

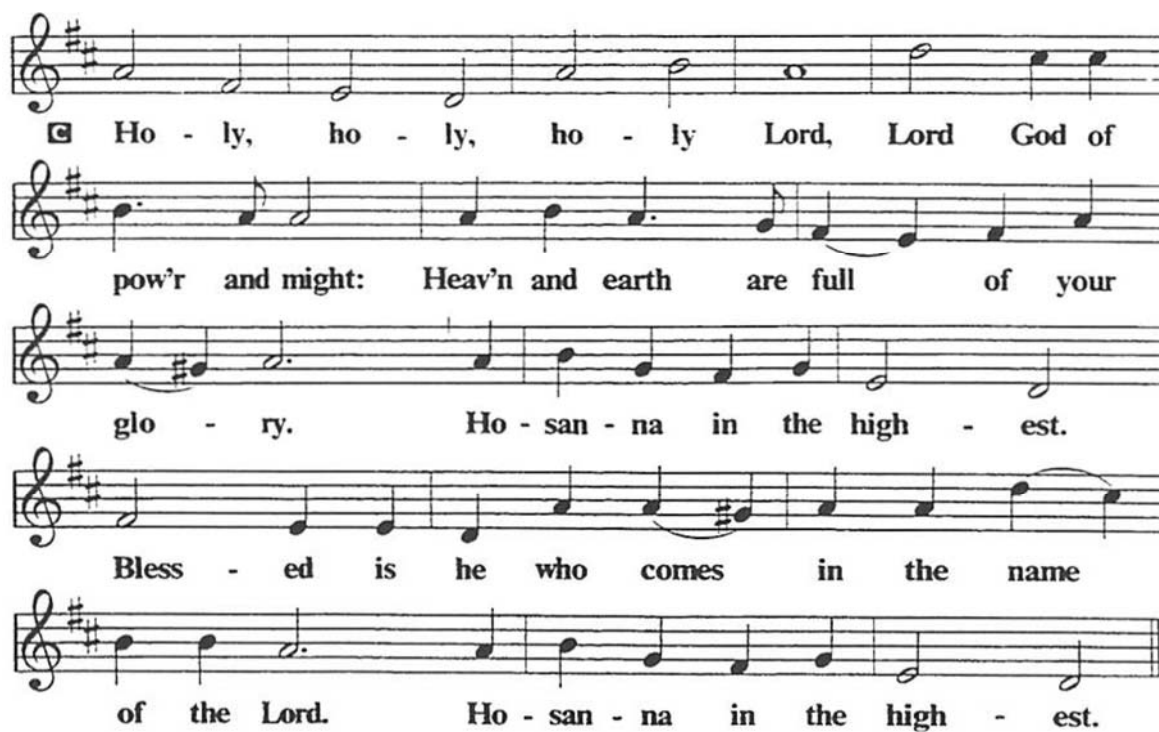
P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God; you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will and accomplished our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we lift this bread and cup before you, giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

And we ask you: Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your Church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ.

Through him all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church both now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.

### LAMB OF GOD

**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.**

## COMMUNION

P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

## POST-COMMUNION

P The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious Blood strengthen and preserve you unto eternal life.

*Please stand as you are able.*

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## SENDING

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*SERVICE BOOK AND HYMNAL, LCA 1958*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now let - test thou thy ser - vant de - part in peace:

ac - cord - ing to thy word; For mine eyes have

seen thy sal - va - tion: which thou hast pre - pared be - fore the

face of all peo - ple; A light to light - en the

Gen - tiles: and the glo - ry of thy peo - ple Is - - ra - el.




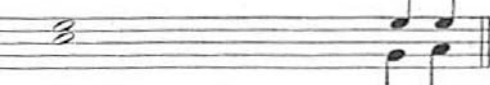
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho - ly Ghost: As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and

ev - - - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.



## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT


<i>Minister</i>	<i>Congregation</i>
	
<p>O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good. R̃. And his mercy endureth for ev - er.</p>	
	

P We give thanks to thee, Almighty God, that thou hast refreshed us with this thy salutary gift; and we beseech thee, of thy mercy, to strengthen us through the same gift, in faith toward thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, thy dear Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.


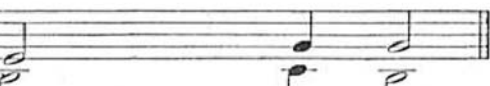



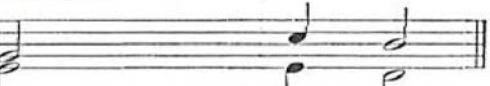


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A - men.



## THE BENEDICTION

<i>Minister</i>	<i>Congregation</i>
	
<p>The Lord be with you. R̃. And with thy spirit.</p>	
	
	
<p>Bless we the Lord. R̃. Thanks be to God.</p>	
	



P The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face shine upon thee,  
and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give  
thee peace. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,

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SENDING HYMN

*Blessed Assurance*

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DISMISSAL

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.


C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE


### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Aug. 22.....Worship & Communion ..... 10:30 AM  
 .....Maintenance Committee meeting .....after worship  
 Tues., Aug. 24..... Quilters ..... 9:00 AM  
 ..... TLHA meeting ..... 7:00 PM  
 Sunday, Aug. 29 .....Worship & Communion ..... 10:30 AM  
 ..... Congregational Life Committee meeting .....after worship

Worship Assistants						
Date	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
August 22, 2021	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Janelle Meredith	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Vickie Jacobs	Pr. Andrew Patty
August 29, 2021	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty




1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!  
 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;  
 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
 an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
 watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.



If you like to sew, please consider joining our quilters group. They meet on Tuesday mornings at 9 am and work until around noon.

Call Jackie at 785-271-4408 or the church office.

Hello All!

With kids going back to school, and more Impact Avenues families being housed we need some specific items.

We need Boys and Girls clothing Sizes 4T- 8

We need Men's Jeans, Sizes 30, 32 and 40 for our clothing room and the shower trailer.

We also really need:

- Pots & Pans
- Silverware
- Lamps & Curtains
- Small Household Appliances
- Bed Pillows (preferably new)
- Twin & Queen Sheet Sets & Comforters (adult-queen & child-twin)

Some of volunteers have shopped garage sales to pick up things like lamps and curtains to help Impact families so you never know what you might find that others really need at garage sale prices! But, check your house first!

You can bring clothing and household donations on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9am – 2pm, South Door.

*Thank you,*

*Lisa Cain*

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
July 25	\$2,256.58	\$345.00	\$2,601.58	-\$2,211.54	\$390.04	20
Aug. 1	\$3,235.00	\$525.00	\$3,760.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,548.46	29
Aug. 8	\$2,935.00	\$1,991.00	\$4,926.00	-\$2,211.54	\$2,714.46	89
Aug. 15	\$1,410.00	\$650.00	\$2,060.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$151.54	27
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		July 2021	\$8,601.58	-\$11,201.73	-\$2,600.15	
		Jan. - July	\$80,359.52	-\$76,408.76	\$3,950.76	



The mission of  
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 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

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