

Word of God Lutheran Church
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:
With God's help we are called to be a
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in
the Bible and focused on service in the community
and mission outreach.

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 13, 2023

ORDER OF SERVICE
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Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • Easter • **Pentecost**
Please refer to the blue With One Voice Hymnal for service.

ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude

Call to worship chime

- * Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness WOVS 10
- * Entrance Hymn "**Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing**" LBW 559
- * Greeting WOVS 28
- * Hymn of Praise WOVS 29
- * The Lord be with you WOVS 30
- * Prayer of the Day

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

- First Reading Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
- Psalm (*Read Responsively*) Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b
- Second Reading Romans 10:5-15
- * Alleluia Verse WOVS 31
- * Gospel Matthew 14:22-33

Children's Sermon

Sermon

- * Hymn of the Day "**God of Grace and God of Glory**" LBW 415
- * *Holy Baptism* *Jett Michael Johnson*
- * Affirmation of Baptism LBW 121
- * Prayers WOVS 34
- * Share the Peace WOVS 34

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL

Offering

- Offertory WOVS 35
- * Offertory Prayer WOVS 35
- * Great Thanksgiving WOVS 36
- * Holy, Holy, Holy WOVS 36
- * Words of Institution WOVS 37
- * The Lord's Prayer WOVS 39
- " Lamb of God" WOVS 39

† Communion

- * Blessing WOVS 40
- * Canticle "Thankful Hearts" WOVS 40
- * Prayer, Blessing, Dismissal WOVS 41
- * Closing Hymn "**O Master, Let Me Walk with You**" LBW 492
- * Sending

* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

NOTE: Page numbers are in the front of the hymnal, followed by the Hymn numbers.
LBW is the green Lutheran Book of Worship. WOVS is the blue With One Voice Hymnal.

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

37 Jacob lived in the land of his father's sojournings, in the land of Canaan. ² These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives. And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. ³ Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors. ⁴ But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him. ¹² Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. ¹³ And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." And he said to him, "Here I am." ¹⁴ So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring me word." So he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. ¹⁵ And a man found him wandering in the fields. And the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" ¹⁶ "I am seeking my brothers," he said. "Tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." ¹⁷ And the man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan. ¹⁸ They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. ¹⁹ They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰ Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams." ²¹ But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands saying, "Let us not take his life." ²² And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. ²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. ²⁴ And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. ²⁵ Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶ Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷ Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers listened to him. ²⁸ Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

105 Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

**² Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!**

³ Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

**⁴ Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!**

⁵ Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

**⁶ O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!**

¹⁶ When he summoned a famine on the land
and broke all supply of bread,

**¹⁷ he had sent a man ahead of them,
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.**

¹⁸ His feet were hurt with fetters;
his neck was put in a collar of iron;

**¹⁹ until what he had said came to pass,
the word of the LORD tested him.**

²⁰ The king sent and released him;
the ruler of the peoples set him free;

**²¹ he made him lord of his house
and ruler of all his possessions,**

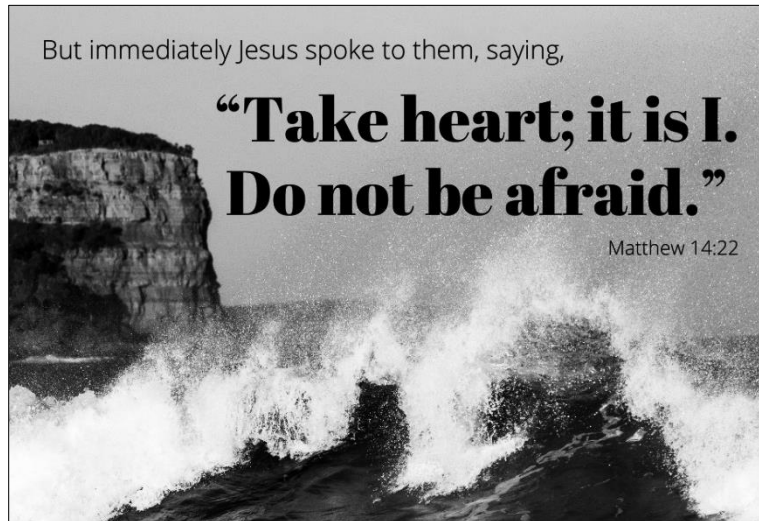
²² to bind his princes at his pleasure
and to teach his elders wisdom.

⁴⁵ Praise the LORD!

Romans 10:5-15

⁵ For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶ But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

¹¹ For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴ How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"



Matthew 14:22-33

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If anyone is physically unable to come to the altar, they may request the Pastor or Worship Assistant to bring them **communion** at their seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- The **adult choir** resumes in August. The choir practices on the first, third, and fourth Sunday of each month at 11:45 AM in the choir room. For more information, please contact Mare Spearman at highlites64@yahoo.com or sign up on the bulletin tear-off. All are welcome to join!
- Pastor Jason will lead a new **Bible Study** beginning Tuesday, September 5, and Wednesday, September 6. If you or your small group would like to participate, please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or the sign-up sheet in the narthex so materials can be prepared.
- **Fish STIX VBS Wrap-Up meeting** Saturday, August 19, at 10 AM. Please contact Andi Laaker at laakerroom@att.net for more information.
- Sunday School resumes at 9 AM on Sunday, August 20.
- The next **Crafters Fellowship Weekend** is Friday, September 8, and Saturday, September 9. The group meets at 10 AM. Please contact Becky Cirillo, Diane Eveland, or Tata Pike for more information or sign on the bulletin tear-off.
- The **church office will be closed** on Monday, September 4, in observance of *Labor Day*.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, September 13, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, August 17, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at suegburnett@att.net for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, August 22 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, August 23 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, August 24 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at ltcbowler@gmail.com or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous Monday at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to woglutheran@gmail.com.*

July 2023 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, Scholarship, or Fish STIX funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance: 120

Monthly Giving: \$42,134

Monthly Benevolence: \$4,213

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Visit http://woglutheran.org/online_giving

Upcoming Events
Please Mark Your Calendars!

- Sunday, August 13** - **Choir Practice, 9:25 AM**
- **Sunday School Registration, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- **Welcome & Evangelism Team Meeting, 11:45 AM**
- Monday, August 14** - **Property Team Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Thursday, August 17** - **RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:00 AM**
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- **Service Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Saturday, August 19** - **Fish STIX VBS Wrap-up Meeting, 10:00 AM**
- Sunday, August 20** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- **Choir Practice, 11:45 AM**
- Tuesday, August 22** - **Midwest Food Bank, 8:00 AM**
- Wednesday, August 23** - **Midwest Food Bank, 8:00 AM**
- Thursday, August 24** - **Midwest Food Bank, 8:00 AM**
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Saturday, August 26** - **Baby Blankets for Honduras, 10:00 AM**
- Sunday, August 27** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Choir Practice, 9:25 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- **Choir Practice, 11:45 AM**
- Thursday, August 31** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Sunday, September 3** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- **Choir Practice, 11:45 AM**
- Thursday, August 31** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Monday, September 4** - **Labor Day, church office is closed**
- Thursday, September 7** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Friday, September 8** - **Crafters' Fellowship Weekend, 10:00 AM**
- Saturday, September 9** - **Crafters' Fellowship Weekend, 10:00 AM**

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