

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.

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 18, 2024**

**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**

Announcements

Prelude

Call to worship chime

- \* Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness..... WOVS 10
- \* Entrance Hymn "**Come, Thou Almighty King**" ..... LBW 522
- \* Greeting ..... WOVS 28
- \* Hymn of Praise ..... WOVS 29
- \* The Lord be with you ..... WOVS 30
- \* Prayer of the Day

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

First Reading ..... Proverbs 9:1-10

Psalms (Read Responsively) ..... Psalm 34:12-22

Second Reading ..... Ephesians 5:6-21

\* Alleluia Verse ..... WOVS 31

\* Gospel ..... John 6:51-69

Children's Sermon

Sermon

\* Hymn of the Day "**Be Thou My Vision**" ..... WOVS 776

*Blessing of the Fish STIX Mission Trip*

\* Apostles' Creed ..... WOVS 33

\* 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 ..... *Hymns are listed on the screen*

\* Blessing ..... WOVS 40

\* Canticle "Thankful Hearts" ..... WOVS 40

\* Prayer, Blessing, Dismissal ..... WOVS 41

\* Closing Hymn "**Go, My Children, with My Blessing**" ..... WOVS 721

\* 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.*

## **Proverbs 9:1-10**

<sup>1</sup> Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup> She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup> She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, <sup>4</sup> "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, <sup>5</sup> "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup> Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight." <sup>7</sup> Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. <sup>8</sup> Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. <sup>9</sup> Give instruction [\[a\]](#) to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. <sup>10</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

## **Psalms 34:12-22**

<sup>12</sup> What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?

**<sup>13</sup> Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.**

<sup>14</sup> Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

**<sup>15</sup> The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.**

<sup>16</sup> The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

**<sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

<sup>18</sup> The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

**19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the Lord delivers him out of them all.**

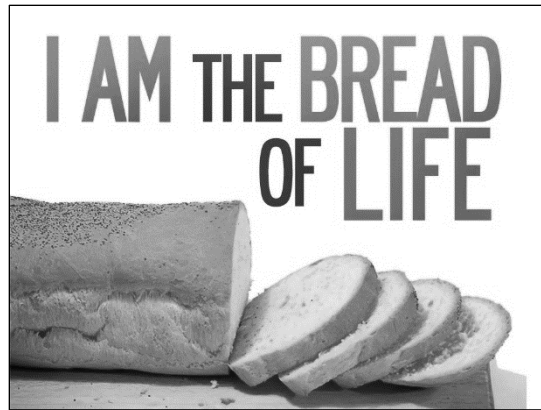
<sup>20</sup> He keeps all his bones;  
not one of them is broken.

**21 Affliction will slay the wicked,  
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.**

<sup>22</sup> The Lord redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

### **Ephesians 5:6-21**

<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not associate with them; <sup>8</sup> for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup> and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." <sup>15</sup> Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.



## **John 6:51-69**

<sup>51</sup> [Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." <sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup> For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup> As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup> Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. <sup>60</sup> When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" <sup>61</sup> But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? <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 who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup> And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father." <sup>66</sup> After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup> So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup> and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, **communion** will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- **Discovery Class** will be offered for new members beginning Sunday, September 8. The group meets at 9:00 AM in room 2. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Vince Compagno at [vince@vmcise.com](mailto:vince@vmcise.com) for more information. All are welcome!
- The church office will be **closed** on Monday, September 2, in observance of *Labor Day*.
- **Tuesdays with God** will resume on Tuesday, September 10 at 9:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Vija Cole or Linda Williams for more information. All are welcome!
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study** resumes Wednesday, September 11 at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Robin Davis at [crkbd@aol.com](mailto:crkbd@aol.com) for more information. All are welcome!
- **Fish Stix Friday Night Fun Night** resumes its fall meeting schedule on Friday, September 13, at 7 PM. For more information, please contact Andi Laaker at [wogfishstix@gmail.com](mailto:wogfishstix@gmail.com). The group meets the second Friday of each month.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, September 11 at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, September 19, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at [sueburnett@att.net](mailto:sueburnett@att.net) for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, August 20 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, August 21 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, August 22 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at [ltcbowler@gmail.com](mailto:ltcbowler@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the **weekly announcement submission** deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday** at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to [woglutheran@gmail.com](mailto:woglutheran@gmail.com).*

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