

**PRAYERS for June 10, 2018 – Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Worship Assistant:** On this third Sunday after Pentecost, let us praise the name of the Lord and pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**Worship Assistant:** Blessed Lord and Master, we thank you for this opportunity to gather in Your name in this sacred time and in this sacred place so that we may worship You. We thank You that Your love has drawn us into Your presence. We thank You that You have made us sons and daughters of the Father in heaven. We ask You to make our faith so strong and sincere that we might feel Your nearness; that we might be conscious of our close relationship with You; and that others may know that we belong to You. Make our faith and love grow like mustard seeds, to your glory and for the good of our neighbor. Be with us and encourage us to live every moment for You, trusting in Your promise to give us eternal life if we believe in You.

**Lord, in Your mercy..... hear our prayer.**

**Worship Assistant:** Gracious God, we know that every day of our lives is a day of judgment. You see us; You observe our actions; You listen to our words; You understand our thoughts. Knowing this, help us to always be afraid of Your disapproval and remind us to always walk with You. Let our walk be by faith, and not by sight, living not for ourselves, but for You.

**Lord, in Your mercy..... hear our prayer.**

**Worship Assistant:** Living God, help us to serve others just as Your Son Jesus Christ did when he walked on the earth. We give thanks for the servants who are working with the children's lunch program, those who are preparing for the upcoming VBS program, those volunteers who will work at the Real Life Center this week, all who are contributing to the Coweta Pregnancy Center, and all who volunteer and do Your work at Word of God Lutheran Church. Let our stewardship be seen as showing our love for You. We ask You to be with us as we meet as a family for our annual meeting today. We give You thanks for Your steadfast love and guidance.

**Lord, in Your mercy..... hear our prayer.**

**Worship Assistant:** Lord Jesus, help us to remain in touch with Your will for us through prayer. You know our thoughts before we voice them, yet we need to bring our sins, our weaknesses, our requests for others, and our prayers for ourselves before You daily. We thank You for teaching us how to pray and for listening to our prayers. When we become distracted by events around us, remind us to turn our eyes toward You so that we may see that the trials of this life are worth where You are taking us in eternal life. We know that comfort is only a prayer away. We especially ask You to be with all our friends and families on our prayer list and those whose names we speak out loud or say silently in our hearts.

**(Wait at least 15 seconds for names.) Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.**

**Worship Assistant:** Holy Lord, we know that when Jesus returns, we will experience Your peace. Until that time, watch over our men and women in uniform, those at home and those in harm's way, that they may know Your presence and be living witnesses to Your love. We pray for the ministers, the missionaries, and the leaders of Your church who dedicate their lives to serving You. We pray that they might scatter the seed of Your Word far and wide, trusting in Your power to help them seek out and gather all who are in need of Your peace and righteousness.

**Lord, in Your mercy..... hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**