

# 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 24, 2023 9:00am



  
Burke Lutheran Church  
**Reconnect.**

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***“Preach. Teach. Reach.”***

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*Please rise.*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be God,  
the one who forms us,  
✠ Jesus who bears the cross,  
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C **Amen.**

P Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Steadfast and faithful God,  
C **you have revealed the ways of justice,  
yet we fail to follow you.  
We are overwhelmed  
by the world's violence and suffering.  
We are afraid to risk what we have  
for the sake of others.  
For the harm we have caused,  
known and unknown, forgive us.  
For the unjust demands we place on others  
and your creation, forgive us.  
For the ways we turn away  
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.  
Lead us back to you  
and set us on the right path;  
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
Amen.**

P Beloved in Christ,  
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.  
God's compassion is beyond compare.  
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.  
In ✠ Christ, you are already and always forgiven.  
C **Amen.**

## ENTRANCE HYMN

### Take My Life, That I May Be



- 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.

Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

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## GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

**KYRIE**—note: *Kyrie eleison* means “lord have mercy”

*Refrain*



Ky-ri-e            e - lei - son,            on our world and on            our way.



Ky-ri - e                    e - lei   -   son,        ev-'ry   day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

*Refrain*



let us pray to the Lord,                      let us pray to the Lord.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

*Jonah 3:10—4:11*

*After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but shouldn't I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites?*

R <sup>10</sup>When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

<sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

<sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup>Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup>And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a

hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

R The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

*Psalm 145:1-8*

R <sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

C <sup>2</sup>**Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

R <sup>3</sup>Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

C <sup>4</sup>**One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

R <sup>5</sup>I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

C <sup>6</sup>**They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.**

R <sup>7</sup>They shall publish the remembrance of<sup>d</sup> your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

C <sup>8</sup>**The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING

*Philippians 1:21-30*

*Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.*

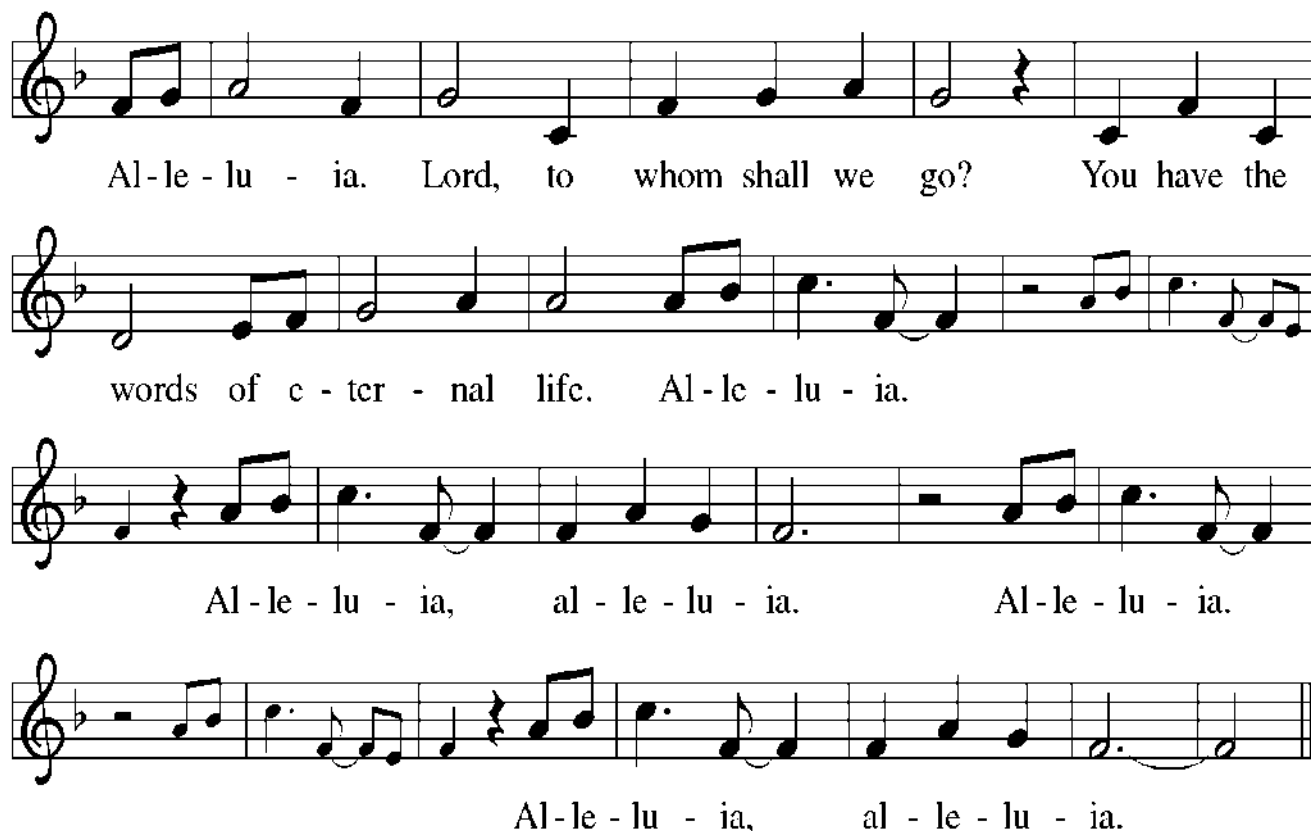
R <sup>21</sup>For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. <sup>22</sup>If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. <sup>23</sup>I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; <sup>24</sup>but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. <sup>25</sup>Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, <sup>26</sup>so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. <sup>27</sup>Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup>and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. <sup>29</sup>For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—<sup>30</sup>since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

R The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

## GOSPEL VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 20th chapter.

GOSPEL

*Matthew 20:1-16*

*Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.*

P [Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ <sup>7</sup>They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ <sup>9</sup>When

those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?' <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

SERMON "Becoming a Beloved Community Part 3: Managing our Conflict"  
*Pastor Bryan*

*Please rise.*





# Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:  
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Text: Jan Struther, 1901–1953  
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional  
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*Please be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the needs of our neighbors.

*A brief silence.*

R God who is gracious and merciful, teach your church to invite and welcome all. Lead us to be grateful for the blessing of community. Challenge your church to choose equity and compassion over judgment. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

R God who sends the wind and the sun, you know every worm and bush by name. Help us remember that even the humblest parts of creation are precious to you. Show us how best to care for the earth and its creatures. Merciful God

**C receive our prayer.**

R God who is ready to relent from punishing, impart your compassionate wisdom to legislators, judges, members of the military, and law enforcement. Give them courage to serve their communities in times of uncertainty, stress, or exhaustion. Merciful God ,

**C receive our prayer.**

R God who abounds in steadfast love, we give thanks for the saints called to the kingdom of heaven. United with them in spirit, hold us firm as we labor in this life and look to the life to come. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

P God who saves, direct your people who are tempted by evil ways. Protect your children from calamity and disaster. Strengthen all who are incarcerated. Encourage all who are in despair or pain of any kind especially, Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Virginia Steward, June Chadwick, Dan Sullivan, Martha Dallman, and Kay Gritzmacker, and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayers.**

P Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.** (Greet one another with God's peace.)

## 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 God thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, and salutary, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



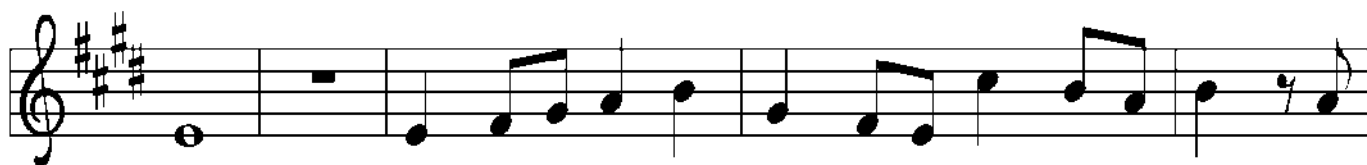
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

*Please be seated.*

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS



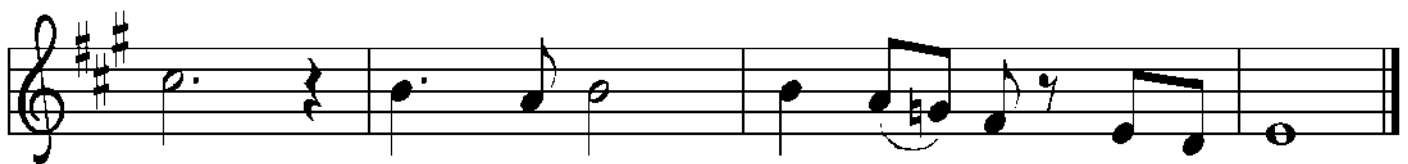
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

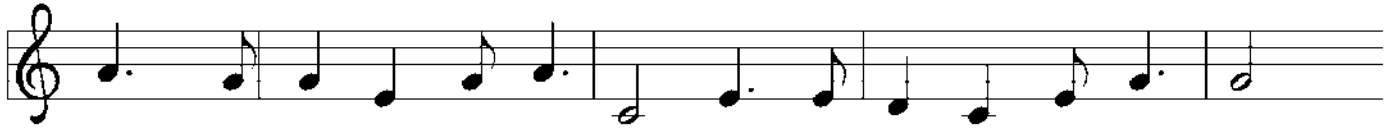


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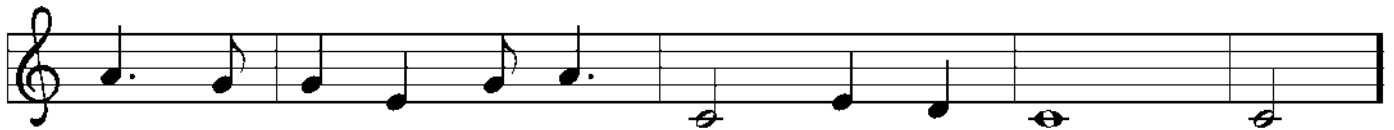


world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

# Give Me Jesus



1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,  
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,  
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,  
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,  
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.  
 dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.  
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.  
 oh, . . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.  
 and . . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

## *Refrain*



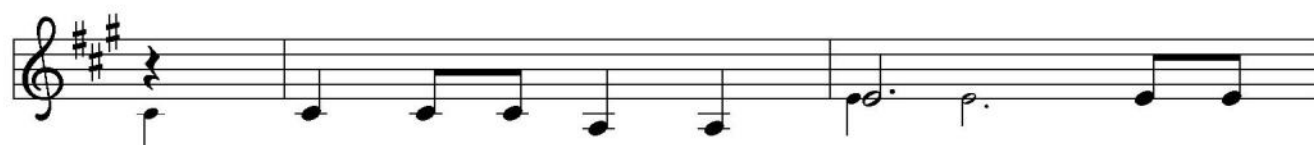
Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

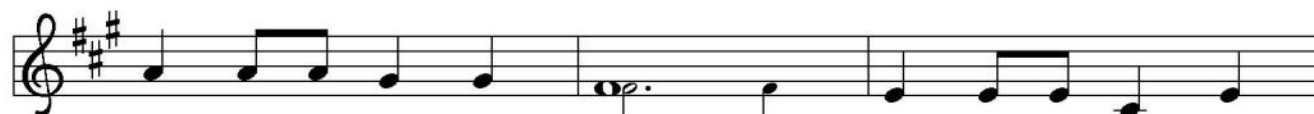
# I Am the Bread of Life



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who  
2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my  
3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the  
4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .  
5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -  
flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you  
flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .  
I . . . am the life. . . If you be -  
you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
eat . . . of this bread, and you shall . . . live for -  
drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his  
lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you  
Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."  
ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
blood, you shall not have life with - in you."  
die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,



and I will raise you up on the last day."

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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*Please rise.*

## COMMUNION BENEDICTION

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

## COMMUNION PRAYER

P Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us and what we have gathered into the world as your living banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied.  
In Jesus' name we pray.

C **Amen.**

## BLESSING

P The God of glory, ✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Rise Up, O Saints of God!



1	Rise up, O saints of God!	From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2	Speak out, O saints of God!	De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
3	Rise up, O saints of God!	The king - dom's task em - brace;
4	Give heed, O saints of God!	Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5	Com - mit your hearts to seek	the paths which Christ has trod;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

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*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. God is at work in you .

**C** Thanks be to God.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY:

Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

## OUR STAFF

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Dave Wisner

## PRAYERS & CARES

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**A Nursery (Youth Room)** for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the narthex for children at worship.

**Our Prayer List:** Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Mark Gehrke (son of Bob and Jeannette Gehrke)

Virginia Steward

June Chadwick

Dan Sullivan (Brother-in-Law of Carolyn Lyle)

Martha Dallman (Mother Kathy Sandridge)

Kay Gritzmacher



## CONGREGATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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**Bible Study:** Every Monday at 11:00am. Join the group at anytime.

**Lefse Making:** Every Tuesday and Thursday, 8am-about 11:00am. No experience needed.

## CALL TO ACTION

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**Food Pantry:** September focus is "Lunch Box." Peanut butter, jams, jellies, single serve packages items, etc. Please place items in the designated basket in the entry.

We continue to collect Birthday Bags. A list of contents needed and bags are located next to the Donations basket.

## YOUTH & KIDS

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**Sunday School: (ages 3 - grade 6)** Children will start out in worship and be dismissed after the children's sermon.

**Confirmation Classes [grades 7-8]:** 10:30am-noon in the Fireside Room

### **Get Acquainted with Pastor Bryan!**

Come and get better acquainted with Pastor Bryan and his family. Come sit and chat in a casual setting. Lunch will be provided.

**When:** Sunday, October 1

**Where:** Home of Bruce & Gwen Bosben  
1005 Farwell Dr., Madison

**Time:** Come immediately following worship until 2:00pm

**Parking:** Carpooling is encouraged as there is no parking on the street. Bosbens have a large driveway and you can also park in the driveway of their next door neighbors to the north (1077 Farwell Dr.).

**Happy Birthday Marie McCoy!**-On Sunday, September 24 from 12:30-4:00 Marie will be celebrating her 90th birthday at Rex's Innkeeper in Waunakee. Lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome!

## THIS WEEK AT BURKE

<b>Monday, Sept. 25</b>	Bible Study, 11:00am	Open Conversation with Pastor Bryan, 12:00pm (Fireside Room)
<b>Tuesday, Sept. 26</b>	Lefse Making, 8:00am	
<b>Thursday, Sept. 28</b>	Lefse Making, 8:00am	
<b>Sunday, Oct. 1</b>	Worship, 9:00am Sunday School, 9:00am	Get acquainted with Pastor Bryan following worship until 2:00pm at Bosben's.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

	<b>Sept 24 9:00am Service</b>	<b>Oct 1 9:00am Service</b>
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Dave Wisner Chris Grefe	Dave Wisner Chris Grefe
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Mary TeWinkel	Barb Hennings
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Mary TeWinkel	Gloria Lundquist
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Barb Hennings	Julie Clark
<b>Usher Team</b>	Karl & Shari Patzer	Bob Lenzendorf
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Potluck	No Coffee Hour
<b>Counters</b>	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

<b>Sept. 17 9:00am</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>
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