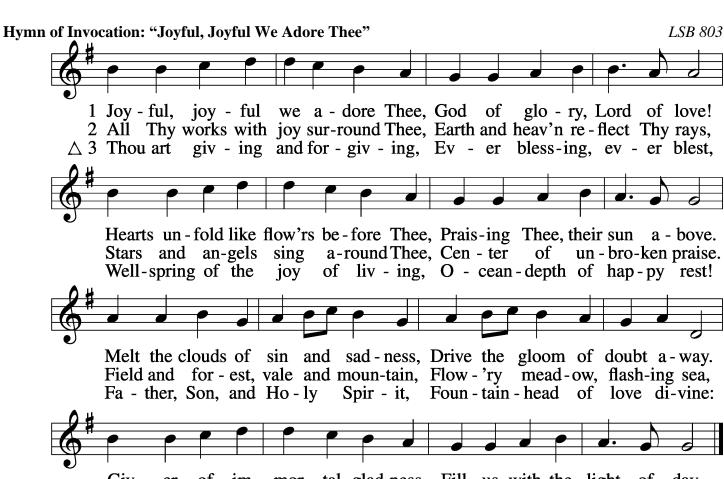
# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 1, 2024 - 9:30 a.m.

**Prelude** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" -Ludwig von Beethoven, arr. Don Hustad, Charles Callahan Confession and Absolution



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee. Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

Text: Henry Van Dyke, 1852-1933, alt.

Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1796-1867

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and

deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Service of the Word

## Introit

Psalm 51:7, 10–12; antiphon: v. 2

(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)



Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\* and cleanse me | from my sin!

Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;\* wash me, and I shall be whit- er than snow.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,\* and renew a right spirit with- in me.

Cast me not away from your | presence,\* and take not your Holy Spirit | from me.

Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,\* and uphold me with a willing | spirit.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\* and cleanse me | from my sin!

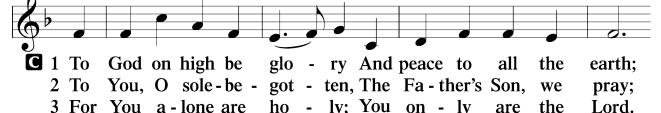
## **Pew Edition**

# **Kyrie**



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer-cy; C Lord, have mer - cy;

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

Proper 17 (Year B)

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray. O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 59:14-21

Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands afar off; for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. The Lord saw it, and it displeased him that there was no justice. He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no one to intercede; then his own arm brought him salvation, and his righteousness upheld him. He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on his head; he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak. According to their deeds, so will he repay, wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies; to the coastlands he will render repayment. So they shall fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun; for he will come like a rushing stream, which the wind of the Lord drives. "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to

those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the Lord. "And as for me, this is my covenant with them," says the Lord: "My Spirit that is upon you, and my words that I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the mouth of your offspring, or out of the mouth of your children's offspring," says the Lord, "from this time forth and forevermore."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm**

Psalm 119:129–136; antiphon: v. 132

(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)

Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\*
as is your way with those who | love your name.

Your testimonies are | wonderful;\* therefore my soul | keeps them.

The unfolding of your | words gives light;\* it imparts understanding to the | simple.

I open my | mouth and pant,\*

because I long for your com- | mandments.

Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\*

as is your way with those who | love your name.

Keep steady my steps according to your | promise,\* and let no iniquity get dominion | over me.

Redeem me from man's op- | pression,\*

that I may keep your | precepts.

Make your face shine upon your | servant,\* and teach me your | statutes.

My eyes shed | streams of tears,\*

because people do not | keep your law.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\*

as is your way with those who | love your name.

Epistle Ephesians 6:10–20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with

all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Mark 7:14–23

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.

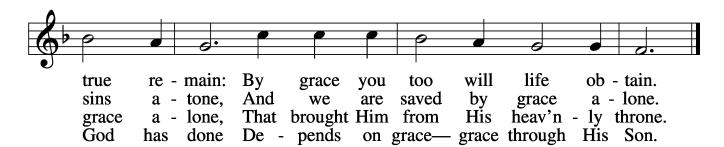
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His Word our God com-mands, Our

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- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
  In tribulation's furnace tried,
  By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
  The Father's heart is open wide.
  Where could I help and strength secure
  If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
  In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
  For though I know my heart's condition,
  I also know my Savior's voice.
  My heart is glad, all grief has flown
  Since I am saved by grace alone.

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**Sermon** "You Are Equipped in Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 6:10-17)

- I. "Remember the Maine!"
- II. The War and the Enemy (v.10-12).
  - What are some things that we might do battle against/with?
  - Who is the real enemy?
  - What is one of his greatest tricks and lies?
- III. You are equipped in Jesus Christ; Put on the Whole Armor of God! (v.13-17)
  - What things does God equip us with? What do they do?
  - Who else has used this armor?

Take Home Point: You are equipped in Jesus Christ for battle.

*Silent Prayer:* Dear Heavenly Father, You watch over and protect us. Thank You for equipping us in Jesus Christ. Thank You for truth, Your Word, salvation, the Gospel, Christ's righteousness, and faith. Thank You for winning the war in Jesus Christ, and giving us victory through Him. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **Prayer of the Church**

## Offering "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" -Paul Bouman

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.

## Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 208

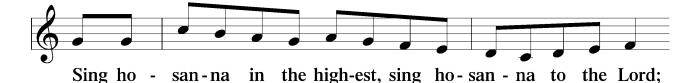
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;

Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.





Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

. . .

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## **Lord's Prayer**

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.

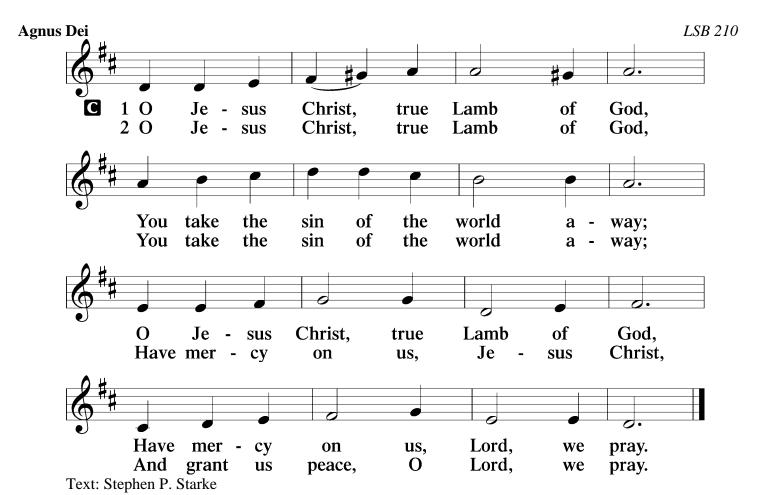
### The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 209

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



## **Distribution**

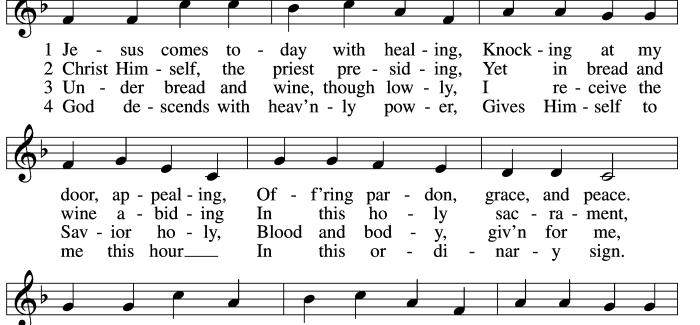
You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.

Special Music: "Rock of Ages" -Jim and Beth Glynn; words from LSB 761 for meditation



LSB 620



He Him - self makes Gives the bread of Ver - y Lamb of On my tongue His

hear His ra - tion, And I prep - a life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the God from heav - en, Who bit - ter to Ι ac - cept His pledge re - ceiv - ing,



- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
  Whose own feast of love I savor,
  Bidden by His gracious call.
  Wedding garments He provides me,
  With a robe of white He hides me,
  Fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation,
  Comfort in my tribulation,
  Balm to heal the troubled soul.
  God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
  Cleanses me from sin and error,
  Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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Nunc Dimittis LSB 211



# **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

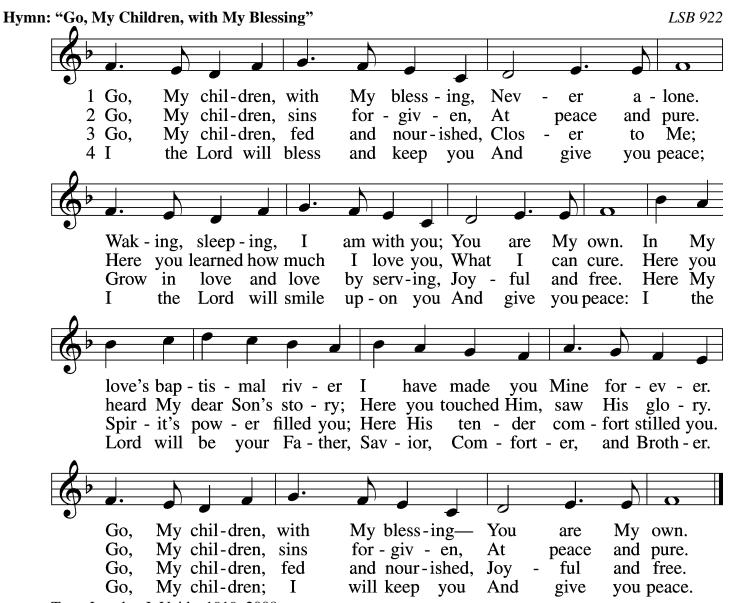
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.



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Postlude "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" -Johann Christoph Bach

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship 9:30 a.m.

**GENEROSITY THOUGHTS:** Deuteronomy 4:6 – "Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us, so all His Word is meant to bless us. We may have to suffer for upholding the Word of God, as St. John the Baptist did. But the cross the Lord has for us to bear will be far better than any we would create for ourselves.

**VOCATION?** What is it and how does it apply to you? Join us after church on September 15th for a presentation about vocation, how your vocation matters, and how we incorporate that in the ministry of Emmaus.

**BARNABAS BUDDIES:** Last Sunday was our kickoff of the Barnabas Buddy program. If you take a child's info, please let Nicole or Todd P know.

**CANDY BINGO:** Join us for our first ever Candy Bingo! This event is for everyone in the congregation, regardless of age. Join us for some fellowship, laughs, prizes, and pizza! The event will be on September 28, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please sign up or RSVP to Pastor or Dawn Kooi so the appropriate preparations can be made.

**FANTASY FOOTBALL RETURNS:** As the football season begins, so does another season of the EFL, the Emmaus Football League. If you would like to continue in the league, or if you would like to join, please talk with Pastor Kooi. See if you can win the greatest trophy in sports, the Emmaus Cup, this winter!

**HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR"** on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "Conditioned by the Unconditional" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's forgiving love for you in Christ is love that your accomplishments can't enhance and your failures can't diminish. (Genesis 25:23)

**LWML MITES:** Where do your LWML Mites go? 2023–2025 Mission Grant No. 10 "Set Apart to Serve" LCMS Office of Pastoral Education | \$100,000. Set Apart to Serve is an LCMS initiative with the purpose of forming and recruiting full-time church workers. Christ's church continues to need church workers for the building up of the kingdom. Along with your mite offerings to support this LWML mission grant, you can support Set Apart to Serve by praying for God to provide church workers, talking to your children about becoming church workers, and thanking God for the people who work in your congregation. To learn more, visit www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-10.

### PROCLAIMING CHRIST 2024: LET US SING OF JESUS

St. James Lutheran Church would like to invite you to join them for a conference celebrating 500 years of the first Lutheran hymnals and the Lutheran chorale. Entitled "Proclaiming Christ 2024: Let Us Sing of Jesus," the conference will begin at 7:00 PM on Friday, October 25 with A Hymn Festival of Reformation Hymns. On Saturday, October 26 presentations will be offered from 9:00-3:00 PM on various aspects of the Lutheran chorale by Dr. Martin Dicke, Rev. Kantor Richard C. Resch, Rev. Dr. Lowell Sorenson, and Rev. Kantor Timothy Frank of David's Harp. A special choir is being convened for the hymn festival. Singers from partner churches, schools, and the community are invited to join. The conference will be held at St. James Lutheran Church, 460 Annapolis St. W., West St. Paul, MN 55118. For more information and a Registration Form, please call (651) 457-9232, write to us at stjlc@saintjameslutheran.com or visit www.saintjameslutheran.com.

### SINGERS NEEDED FOR REFORMATION CHOIR

Singers are invited to join the choir at St. James Lutheran Church in celebrating 500 years of the first Lutheran hymnals and the Lutheran chorale. The choir will sing at A Hymn Festival of Reformation Hymns that will be held at 7:00 pm on Friday, October 25. The hymn festival will open the conference "Proclaiming Christ 2024: Let Us Sing of Jesus" that will be held on October 25-26 at St. James Lutheran Church, 460 Annapolis St. W., West St. Paul, MN 55118. Singers from partner churches, schools, and the community are invited to join. For details and a Registration Form, please call (651) 457-9232, write to us at stjlc@saintjameslutheran.com or visit www.saintjameslutheran.com



The International Potluck returns! All are welcome to the 2nd Annual International Potluck on Friday,
September 13 at 6:30 pm at Jehovah Lutheran Church,
1566 Thomas Avenue in St. Paul. This year's event will again feature a free feast of Ethiopian, Hmong, and
American cuisines. This is the kickoff event for the second year of the St. Paul Outreach Center (SPOC), a collaborative ministry of 14 St. Paul area churches and three schools of the LCMS. The International Potluck will also offer door prizes, games, and displays of the many outreach ministries that SPOC and its partners are doing to serve the community. For more information, please contact spoc@jehovahlutheran.org.

Please fill out the form at this link indicating what food item you can bring to share: https://forms.gle/74ArFVWY9zYGdz8E6



## THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Mon: Labor Day – office closed

Wed: Bulletin Deadline

Fri: Office closed – call Pastor in emergencies

Sat: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Choir Kickoff

12-5 p.m. Organist Rehearsal

Next Sunday: Rally Day 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study

# **SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:**

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ACOLYTE: Elizabeth G