
Agapegram

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A Life Lived Near God



“LORD, who may be a guest in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy mountain?” Psalm 15:1 EHV

This verse was the opening question of the cluster of Psalms we’ve studied for the past weeks in Wednesday night bible class. A collection of texts that teach us about the Kingdom of God and how it relates to us so that we may be in the presence of God. These thoughts came back to mind while reading the devotional *Daily Light on the Daily Path* with a mix of passages about being in God’s house:

It is good for me to come close to God. - Ps 73:28 WEB

Yahweh, I love the habitation of your house, the place where your glory dwells (Ps. 26:8).—A day in your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness (Ps. 84:10).—Blessed is one whom you choose, and cause to come near, that he may live in your courts. We will be filled with the goodness of your house, your holy temple (Ps. 65:4).

Yahweh is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him (Lam. 3:25).—Therefore Yahweh will wait, that he may be gracious to you; and therefore he will be exalted, that he may have mercy on you, for Yahweh is a God of justice. Blessed are all those who wait for him (Isa. 30:18).

Having therefore, brothers, boldness to enter into the holy place by the blood of Jesus, by the way which he dedicated for us, a new and living way, ... let’s draw near with a true heart in fullness of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience (Heb 10:19-20, 22).

Somehow the importance of these words seems all the more heightened in these days of lockdowns (whether governmental or self-imposed), restrictions, political wrangling, civil unrest, and the rest. How crucial it is to be in God’s house and the place where his glory dwells. But, take note, these passages aren’t about going to the church building on Sunday morning. Yes, that is a good and necessary thing when it is available to us, but God’s presence isn’t isolated to a sanctuary. God’s house isn’t the building where we love to gather. God’s house is his temple and it is made out of living stones (1 Pet. 2:5). Blessed is the one that he has chosen and caused to come near – that’s you! And you have been filled with the goodness of his house, the goodness of being the body of Christ. Goodness like forgiveness of sins, eternal life, peace, patience, strength, and joy.

So, whatever your days are looking like this year and whatever the challenges you are facing in these moments, are you living a life near to God? Do you remember that he has already drawn you near to him? You are in his house, sanctuary visits or not, because you are in Christ. He has been gracious to you. He will continue to be gracious to you. Wait on him. Daily! It is good to come close to God!

“The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.” Psalm 145:18 EHV

--Pastor David

2020 VETERANS'S DAY TRIBUTE
NOVEMBER 8TH—15TH



**HONOR
OUR VETERANS**

Once again we will be honoring any and all members of the Military... both past and present. **The Tribute Board will be displayed during the week of November 8th—15th.** We would like to proudly display your story during this important week. **Simply submit a photo and/or short story of the history of service before November 1st.** For those who have been displayed from previous years, your photo and story will automatically be included in this year's display. We encourage everyone to participate. **To be included, simply put your entry with photo (if available) in Craig Wells Church mail box, or email Craig at: wells4589@aol.com**



Thanksgiving Day Worship w/Communion
Thursday, November 26th at 10am

Please watch for worship service information emails.

Remember the Lutheran Martyrs

We celebrate the Reformation at the end of October, commemorating the date (Oct. 31) when Martin Luther (an Augustinian monk) nailed his 95 theses to the door of Castle Church 1517 in Wittenberg. Luther's bold act of faith points us toward our Savior, Jesus Christ, just as it did those in Luther's time. But the change that Luther initiated did not come easy....

Charles V, head of the Roman Catholic House of Habsburg, became Holy Roman Emperor in October 1520 and launched the Inquisition in the Netherlands to root out the "Lutheran heresy." Within a few years, 20,000 or more in what are now Belgium and Holland were murdered for their belief that salvation is by faith alone.

In 1522 all the monks at the Augustinian Monastery in Antwerp publicly professed the new Lutheran doctrine. The Bishop of Cambrai had them all arrested and imprisoned in Vilvorde (just north of Brussels), where they were interrogated by Jacob van Hoogstraten from Cologne and some dependably Catholic theology professors from the University of Louvain. When the monks realized that they risked being burned alive if they did not recant, all except three---Johannes van den Esschen, Hendrik Vos, and Lampertus Thorn---recanted. The recanting monks were released but their monastery was declared defiled and was soon demolished.

Van den Esschen, Vos, and Thorn, still imprisoned, were questioned again by the ecclesiastical inquisition court, but they refused to recant. They were then handed over to the secular court and sentenced to death. While being held in Brussels, new attempts were made to get them to renounce. Vos was brought first to the inquisitors, but he refused to recant. Van Essen also refused to renounce Lutheranism. Thorn asked for an additional four-day period to study the scriptures with respect to his views, and was allowed to remain in prison where he lived for five more years before dying in 1528.

Reports state that on the morning of July 1, 1523, a large crowd (including friars from the Franciscan, Dominican and Carmelite orders) gathered on the Grand-Place in front of the city hall of Brussels. The theology professors from Louvain and the abbots also took their places on a platform in front of the city hall. At eleven o'clock Vos, robed as a priest, was brought to the center of the market. He ascended the steps to a platform on which there was also an altar. He knelt down. Behind him stood a Franciscan friar, facing the people, who began to preach. In the meantime the bishop stripped the monk of his priestly attributes. The sermon and secularization of the monk took nearly an hour. After he had been deprived of his priest's robes the monk was returned to the city hall. Then van den Esschen was brought to the altar, and dealt with similarly. Vos and van den Esschen calmly accepted what was to be done to them. The inquisitor tried by numerous but specious arguments to get them to repudiate their so-called errors, but they refused. Shortly thereafter the two were dragged from the city hall and brought to a pyre in the middle of the market square. After they once more refused to recant, the fire was lit.

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They cried out that they were dying as Christians and sang the *Te Deum* as they were burned alive.

Luther learned of the murders in late July 1523. He wrote a letter to the Christians in what is now Belgium and Holland, in which he said “We here [in Germany] to date have not yet been worthy of becoming so costly and dignified an offering to Christ.” The murders of Vos and van den Esschen inspired Luther to begin writing songs. His first, “A new song of the Two Martyrs of Christ Burned in Brussels by the Sophists of Louvain,” is a ballad telling the story of the murders of Hendrik Vos and Johannes van den Esschen in Brussels.

Oh Father, let us not forget those martyrs who sacrificed their lives for their faith. Let us look to them as examples. Use them, Father, to strengthen our faith in You. Amen.

--Paul Wilson, ESLC Head Elder

**CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

**Sunday, November 15th
after the late service**

**Join us for this important meeting. There will be
limited seating in the main Fellowship Hall
or
you can join us via zoom.**

Watch for more information articles and emails.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

For nearly three decades, Samaritan's Purse has collected Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts and delivered them to boys and girls overseas. Each box is an opportunity to delight the heart of a child – and share the Good News of Christ with them and their families. In the midst of a worldwide pandemic, the needs are greater than ever before. Children are scared, and their families are afraid.



Eternal Shepherd is once again partnering with Samaritan's Purse to pack and ship Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this year. Even though we were not able to hold our "Christmas in July" fundraiser, God has been good, and we are still able to pack shoeboxes this year, although it will be a much smaller staffed event than in previous years! If you've looked inside the Youth Room, you've probably noticed the growing pile of packing supplies. We thank all those who've contributed to the Shoebox fund to enable us to purchase the items we need. Packing may be different this year, but the boxes are still leaving the building! **This years National Collection Week is November 16th—23rd.**

*Please join us in praying for all the recipients of shoeboxes this year. May there be smiles on their faces, and a newfound faith in their hearts!
Thank you! ~ Terri Baumann*



Operation Christmas Child Update Continued:

As we look forward to Christmas, our nation and our world are still reeling from the COVID-19 pandemic. Many are desperately looking for comfort and peace, and we want to do all we can to help them find eternal hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. After a year when travelers were banned from entering more than 100 countries to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Operation Christmas Child team at Samaritan's Purse has been working hard to make sure they can safely collect and deliver shoebox gifts, and the Lord is opening doors for them. Below is just one of the many stories:

In the Philippines, a young lady named Analyn was raised in poverty and her family could not afford to celebrate birthdays or Christmas. The first gift she ever received was an Operation Christmas Child shoebox from her church. She opened it to find brightly colored crayons, a notebook, and a stuffed animal. "My heart was jumping for joy!" she said. "I was asking myself: 'Is it real? Is this really for me?' I felt cared for and loved, knowing there are people who packed a gift that brings joy to me." As she learned more about the Gospel, Analyn gave her heart to the Lord and eventually became a teacher in the The Greatest Journey, the discipleship lessons Samaritan's Purse offers for children who receive shoebox gifts. Analyn now lives in the United States and works through her church to help send hundreds of shoeboxes to children just like her.

The Hard Work of Repentance

by Kerry Blount

Sometimes I can still hear the deep voice of my tall, lanky Sunday school teacher as he helped a class of 5th grade boys begin to understand the Biblical concept of repentance. “Boys, to repent of something doesn’t just mean to be sorry for doing it, or to be sorry for being caught. It means three things: to truly know what you did was wrong; to be truly sorry that you did it; and to truly turn away from ever doing it again. And all three of those things are hard work.”

I have often been content to think that the crux of repentance is being sorry for something I have done, making it an inward and passive thing. But a number of linguists tell me that the more complete meaning of the Greek word commonly translated repent, “*metaneo*,” is not just to be sorry, but to “think differently,” and in such a way as “heartily to amend with abhorrence for one’s past sins,” and further, “to withdraw or turn one’s soul from sin.” Repent in the New Testament is a strong, purposeful word, one that emphasizes not just sorrow, but change.

Two scenarios may help us think about some of the difficult aspects of repentance. First, call to mind an incident in which you surrendered to a temptation you did not seek out, yet knowing it was wrong in God’s eyes, you found yourself caught up in it. (*Matthew 26: 69-74*)

Does thinking about it cause you pain or regret? Does it make you sad?

Do you sometimes let the thought of it linger? Why?

Is there still part of the incident that doesn’t seem sinful, or may even be pleasurable?

Do you ever fear you would do it again if the circumstances were similar?

Do you believe you are more able to resist that temptation now than you were then?

Do you recognize and rejoice in the forgiveness you have received for this sin, or is there still some “turning” yet to be done?

Now, at the risk of some spiritual pain, think of an incident in which you planned something you knew God does not approve, and yet you persisted in bringing to completion that which you knew to be sin. (*2 Samuel 11*) How are your answers to the questions asked above different? Regardless of “which type” of sin we contemplate, it seems that first we struggle to acknowledge our sinful behavior as an offense. Then we struggle with the sorrow that arises from having disobeyed a loving and merciful God. And then finally we struggle to turn away, to reject that sin unequivocally, without excuse or justification, and to eradicate the desire for it in our hearts and minds. Hard work. Necessary work. Fulfilling work, because the Spirit seeks to transform the sinful man into one who is growing into the image of Christ, one whose desires grow more closely aligned with those of the Son of God each day. To do so, we must *turn* from sin. In Jesus’ telling words, “*Unless you repent, you will all perish too.*” (*Luke 13:3,5 EHV*)

“In fact, godly sorrow produces repentance, which leads to salvation, leaving no regret. On the other hand, worldly sorrow produces death.” 2 Corinthians 7:10 EHV

Comfort Dog News



This month I would like to pay tribute to Gloria Shealy and her service to the Comfort Dog Ministry. Gloria was a Ministry Partner for Seth which means she accompanied Seth and his handler on visits. Gloria always stepped up when I needed a volunteer from the team to go on a visit with Seth. Her job as a Ministry Partner was to interact with whoever we were visiting with, to share an encouraging word, a Bible verse or a prayer. Each person she met became her friend and she showed Jesus' love in so many ways. When Gloria's health declined, we then started visiting her at her home with Seth. Although we were there to show her support and love, we always came away from the visit with a boost of encouragement and a heart full of love as her concern was always on us

rather than herself. Every visit we made to Gloria was followed up with a thank you card! Even when she wasn't able to write one, she directed Julie or Carol to do so. We will miss our dear friend Gloria not only from our team but also from our church family. Seth loved Gloria and from what I have seen and heard, she loved him very much. Gloria, you were a blessing to us and we thank you for serving and loving us, we will miss you always!

*To God be the Glory,
~ Kyra Carbone, Top Dog*

Wrapped in Love

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



The PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY has been going strong during this pandemic and time of social isolation. They have made over 30 (full-size) prayer shawls and we have given 20 of them so far this year. ***But, we need your assistance.*** We know that there is still a great need. Please help us identify anyone who would benefit from this prayerful gift. Do you have a friend or family member that is struggling, depressed, or in a distressed situation? Please consider giving them a prayer shawl. When these prayer shawls are being made, the crafter prays for the person that will receive them. They pray that God will bring comfort and strength to the person, that the person will bring all their concerns to God and God will bring them relief and they can know they are not alone and God is on their side.

There is an ample supply of prayer shawls to choose from in the four bins on the far side of the Fellowship Hall by the closets. Select the one that you like, sign the prayer shawl log showing your name, the date, and the person that you are giving it to. If you give the prayer shawl in person, we request that you pray for them as you are giving it. A list of those that have already been given prayer shawls is listed on the sheet just underneath the log sheet. If you do not feel comfortable coming to church, **please contact Sue Hauser** and she will arrange for a prayer shawl to be brought to you or delivered for you.

HOSPITALITY NEWS UPDATE: As Commitment Sunday approaches the Hospitality Board asks if you would consider serving with us. We are blessed to have an amazing group of ladies who are willing to serve our congregation in many different ways. We look forward to serving goodies, coffee and having fellowship as soon as we are allowed to & we would love to add new members to our board. *Please contact Susie Williams or Marlene Bell if you are interested.*



Haiti Missions

Update on Rocky Road Lutheran School



Each day before school starts the students line up to use the washing station we at ESLC provided. Thus far no students or faculty have come down with the Covid virus. In this remote part of the Central Plateau, water is only available from nearby springs. What the school lacks is running water. Pastor Walta has worked with a resident engineer who has a plan to tap into one of the springs, install a pump with a generator and build boys and girls restrooms. This would be similar to what we provided in Pas Bonbon two years ago. The estimated amount is about \$6,400 and will be used for the source/spring, the pump, generator, building, toilets, sinks, and shower. I'm sure everyone would agree you must have restrooms with the school. I asked for the addition of the showers in the estimate as part of our push for better personal hygiene – actually something the church family could use as well.

If you want to contribute to this project, please add a note "For Haiti Rocky Road". The growth of the Lutheran schools we initiated far exceeds any of my expectations – to God Be the Glory! *In His service, Lars Helland, Mission Committee.*

Honduras Mission News:

This month's update comes directly from a video by WGO in Honduras. CEO Abel Pena and Field Director Otniel Zavala were with a team of doctors going door to door to the homes of members of a local church. They are teamed with the churches we team with when we are there serving. There are 3 doctors, a pharmacy van with a pharmacist and assistant plus medicine to distribute and several collaborators from the church to share the gospel once the doctors and pharmacy have moved down the street. In this time of social distancing this is the only way to reach the people. The team does not enter the home but remains outside performing their medical and evangelistic ministry on the front stoop. This keeps everyone safe to serve another day.

To continue this ministry, that we normally accomplished through our brigades, still requires funding. When we traveled there each missionary carried a trunk filled with medicine and supplies, plus Bibles and other supplies were purchased ahead of time. All of this was funded by our annual Helping Hands for Honduras fund drive where we handed out a glove to each person to fill. We are not able to safely hand out gloves yet the funds are still needed in Honduras to reach the people with aid and with the gospel. We are asking that you help us by contributing to the Honduras Mission Fund so that we can bless the ministry of WGO during this time of pandemic. **Please mark the donations: Honduras Mission Fund – Helping Hands for Honduras.** We already have some donations from our missionaries at ESLC and would like to send a check as soon as possible once we receive additional funds.

Our intent is to be able to send a team later next year once things open up and then as now, we are thankful for your support.

Que Dios te bendiga, (May God Bless You), Your Honduras Missionaries

DISASTER RESPONSE

We started the year with plans to go on six out of town trips. Covid cancelled the rest of this years trips after only one to the Lumberton NC area. Then the tornado gave us the opportunity to do two weeks of chain saw work right here in Seneca helping needy people get downed and damaged trees out of the way. We made a lot of trips with trailer loads of tree parts to a disposal area. We continue to do occasional chainsaw work for people in need in the local area.

We arranged with volunteers from Charleston for some repair work in the Utica area and become involved with the Oconee Long Term Disaster Recovery Group. That has led to several repair projects in the area. We have also worked with the BOCO building handi-capped front and back ramps for a Habitat house in the West Union area. Now we are moving on to rebuilding an old deteriorated handicap ramp for a house in the Utica area.

We look forward to the time when we can get back on the road for disaster trips out of town. We will probably have to wait for an effective vaccine to be widespread before we can do that again. If interested in working with our team in this worthwhile ministry please contact Deek Decker at (864) 356-2135 or docdeek0@yahoo.com.

CHURCH VOLUNTEER APPEAL FOR BABYREAD

Volunteers Needed for BabyRead during Pandemic
BabyRead volunteers continue to stay in touch with families by texting, phoning and dropping off books once a month. We need volunteers more than ever to provide our moms and babies with books and moral support during this time of isolation. Become a BabyRead volunteer by emailing Caren at babyread@charter.net.



SUNDAY FLOWER CHART - this sign-up chart is on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex. Tiger Lily of Clemson has continued to do a beautiful job with their arrangements without raising the price which will remain at \$25.00 per vase. You can sign up for as many Sundays as you want during the whole year for the dates that have special meanings for you and your family. Directions are posted above the chart.



FOOD BANK NEWS:

Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month. These items will help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. **November's** preferred product is "**Canned Fruit**". Please place items in one of the trash cans marked Food Bank located down by the main Fellowship Hall. *~Thank you for your generosity and support.*



SCRIP CARDS

Scrip Cards are available and make *great gifts* as well as earn money for Eternal Shepherd at the same time. For orders please contact Beckie Rau by phone 944-6096; or by email at cbrau@charter.net. After the order is received one of the Scrip ladies will contact you to make arrangements for delivery. Please note we will not be handling this directly person to person in the interest of safety. *~Thank you for your support.*



SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS

In September the following gifts were given:



In loving memory of *Reta Enders*
the Memorial Fund received a gift of \$190.00

Other Gifts:

The Alaska Mission Fund received a gift of \$10.00

The Church Bus Fund received gifts of \$20.00

The Comfort Dog Ministry Fund received gifts of \$40.00,
and a gift of \$750.00 from Blessings Shared Grant

The Debt Reduction Fund received a gift of \$600.00 from CCCF Grant

The Disaster Response Team Fund received a gift of \$750.00
from Blessings Shared Grant

The Elders Fund received a gift of \$100.00

The Foothills Care Center Baby Bottle Drive received gifts of \$4,074.13,
and a gift of \$750.00 from Blessings Shared Grant

The General Fund received a gift of \$140.00 from Thrivent Choice,
and a gift of \$2,000.00 from Blessings Shared Grant

The Haiti Missions Fund received gifts of \$850.00

The Honduras Mission Fund received a gift of \$100.00

The Operation Christmas Child Fund received gifts of \$710.00,
and a gift of \$750.00 from Blessings Shared Grant

RESTAURANT MINISTRY OUTREACH

Please consider sharing ESLC's reputation for showing love to a member of our community by patronizing a local eatery, sometime in November and chat with your server/order-taker, taking time to observe their name tag. When leaving the restaurant or when picking up your order write a short thank-you note on the back of an ESLC business card which are on the front desk in the church office. Leave that thank-you card with your tip or hand the card to your order-taker.

One way of participating is if you happen to have young children/grandchildren and you sometimes take them to a fast-food restaurant. After you write the note, children/grandchildren enjoy signing their name to the note, or if they are old enough, they like to actually write the note themselves. May we suggest that you pray about taking that opportunity to participate in this ministry of love!

Finally, use your smart phone, computer, etc. to E-Mail your server/order-taker's first name only (for privacy purposes) prayer request to Deaconess Holly or Celeste so they will include that person in the Sunday Bulletin special prayer section, as well as on the E-Mail prayer chain.

November Birthdays

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| 2 – Lauren Lucas | 16 – Patty Kaltrider |
| 3- Joyce James | Quin Toussaint |
| 6 - Rick Cochell | 19 – John Durham |
| 7 – Craig Baumann | 20 – John Lindgren |
| 8 – Jenna Fireovid | Dcs. Holly Lustila |
| 11 – Jim Jacques | 22 – Bob Krabbe |
| Lee Lampe | Delores Stewart |
| Margi McLain | 23 – Christine Davis |
| Lois Owens | Tom Eckersley |
| 12 – Gerry Durham | Cindy Munro |
| 13 - Kate Wells | 24 – Al Johnson |
| 14 - Matthew Dunlap | Woo Wagner |
| Garner Sorrell, Jr. | 26 – Chuck Rau |
| 15 – Joan Callahan | 27 - Ken Dunlap |
| Scott Kaltrider | 30 – Milo Bell |



November Anniversaries

- 1-- Richard & Joyce Thompson
- 7 – Alan & Rocki Van Heusen
- 9 – Rein & Betty Brueggeman
- 16 – Rick & Suzanne Lucas
- 20 – Doug & Denise Zirbel
- 25 - Sherwood & Patsy Drexel
- Pastor David & Judy Hammer
- 27 - Mike & Sue Hauser
- 30 – Ed & Jean Seeley



Holiday Candle

On Thanksgiving, we share a special meal with family and friends. Make this holiday candle as a festive centerpiece for your table.

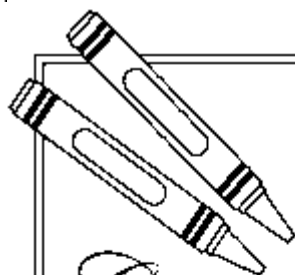
What you need:

- Paper towel
- One 8-oz. clear plastic cup
- Petroleum jelly (Vaseline)
- Paper or plastic disposable bowl
- About 8 oz. of a variety of dried beans, peas, corn, etc.
- Bottle of white glue
- Plastic spoon
- An 8- to 10-inch paper or dinner candle
- Adult to help



What you do:

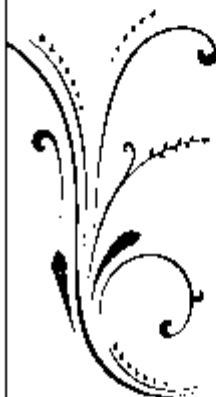
- Using the paper towel, rub a generous amount of petroleum jelly on the inside of the cup (bottom and sides).
- In a bowl, pour the dried-bean mixture.
- Squeeze enough glue into the bean mixture to generously coat it. Stir the mixture with the spoon.
- Spoon about half of the bean mixture into the greased cup. Then place the candle, with any plastic wrapping removed, into the center of the mixture. Next, fill the cup with the rest of the mixture. Smooth the top to make it flat, making sure the candle stays straight.
- Squeeze extra glue around the hole made by the candle. Let the bean mixture dry completely, which could take a day or longer.
- When the bean mixture is dry, gently pull the candle. Both the candle and beans should come out as one. (If they don't, pour more glue and wait another day.)
- Place your candle on a small plate for a festive Thanksgiving centerpiece.



Just for KIDS

Counting Our Blessings

THANKSGIVING IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO "COUNT OUR BLESSINGS." GOD BLESSES EACH OF US DAILY IN SO MANY WAYS. SOLVE THE FOLLOWING MATH PROBLEMS. THEN WRITE THE WORDS ON THE NUMBERED LINES BELOW TO COMPLETE EPHESIANS 1:3, NIV.



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| 10 + 9 = ___ heavenly | 6 - 3 = ___ to |
| 10 + 5 = ___ blessed | 12 - 6 = ___ and |
| 2 - 1 = ___ Praise | 6 + 6 = ___ Christ |
| 7 + 7 = ___ has | 12 - 9 = ___ our |
| 11 + 11 = ___ every | 22 - 11 = ___ Jesus |
| 12 + 12 = ___ blessing | 1 + 1 = ___ be |
| 10 + 10 = ___ realms | 7 + 6 = ___ who |
| 13 + 13 = ___ Christ | 2 + 2 = ___ the |
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EPHESIANS 1:3, NIV

Answer: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

SERVICE TIMES

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
& Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)



THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor: David Hammer
Deaconess: Holly Lustila
Secretary: Celeste Entrekin
Preschool Director: Gina Cote
Choir Director: Rick Schmidt
Choir Accompanist: Michelle Rowland
Organist: David Phillips

MISSIONARIES

Joanna Johnson, Taiwan
Nate Esala, Lutheran Bible Translators
David & Dr. Arianna Shirk, Kenya
S.E.D. Missionaries to Peru

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*Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies*

Happy Thanksgiving!

“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.” 1 Chronicles 16:34