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AUGUST 16, 2026
8:30 AM



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THE SANCTUARY CANDLE shines this week to the Glory of God in love and thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior on our 73rd wedding anniversary. Also, in love to Jeeva and Grace Raja. Given with love by Raymond & Edwina Hall.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this week are dedicated the Glory of God in honor of Beth Kirtland and The Visitation Committee for their dedication, time and service. Given with love from a grateful parishioner.

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HOLY COMMUNION:

All baptized Christians are invited to share in Holy Communion. In this sacrament by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ, along with the bread and wine. Those individuals who do not wish to receive wine may receive grape juice. Wine is poured into the empty glasses. The prefilled glasses have grape juice. If mobility is a problem, please inform the usher and communion will be brought to you. Please advise the Pastor if you would like Gluten Free Wafers for communion.

BOOKMARK:

Everyone is asked to fill out the bookmark found in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate located at the front of the church. We want to keep in touch!

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

As we enter this time of worship, please silence all phones and electronic devices. Let's create a space where everyone can listen, pray, and be fully present.

**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENECCOST
AUGUST 16, 2026**

P: Presiding Minister
ELW: Red Hymnal

A: Assisting Minister

C: CONGREGATION

*Stand if you are able

Prelude

G.-F. Handel (1685 - 1759), *Largo* from "Xerxes" *

Welcome

+++SERVICE OF PREPARATION+++

*** Confession and Forgiveness**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

**C we confess to you all our sins, known and unknown.
Our burdens are heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.**

P Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in the love of God for you.

C Amen.

+++LITURGY OF THE WORD+++

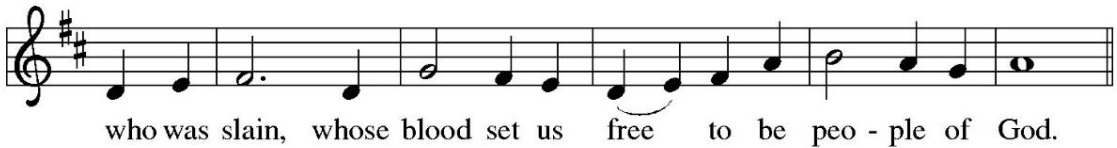
* Apostolic Greeting

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

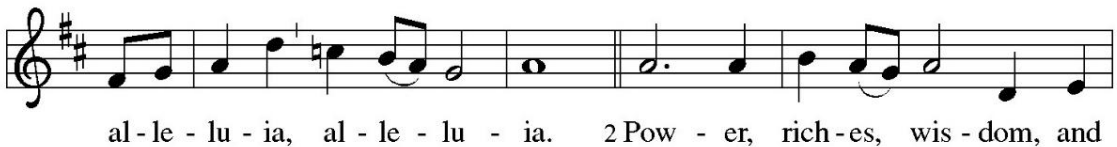
C And also with you.

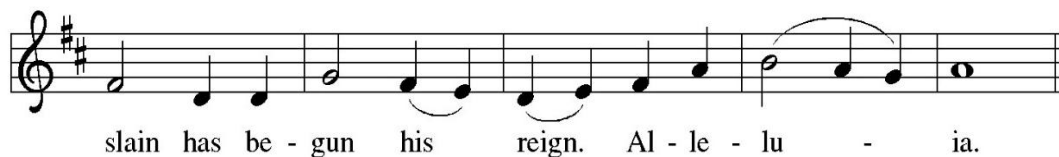
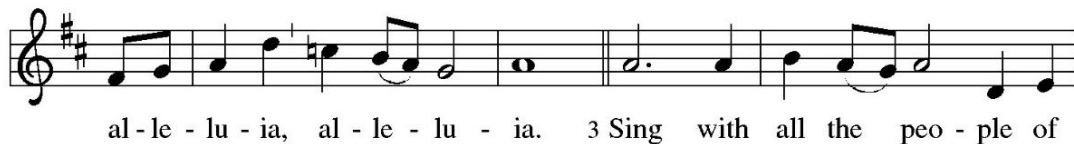
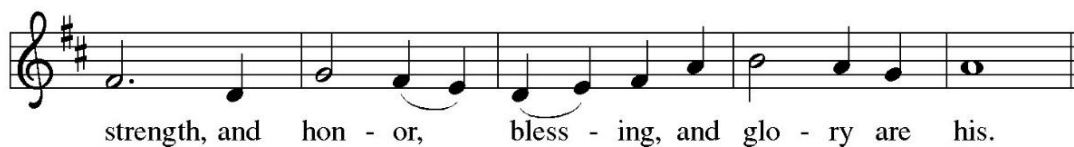
* Hymn of Praise

Refrain



Refrain







*** Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray,
 God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you.
 Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy,
 that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our
 Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

The prophet calls upon Israel to do justice in view of God's imminent intervention to save. Righteousness and obedience define who belongs to the Israelite community—not race, nationality, or any other category.

¹ Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
 for soon my salvation will come
 and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶ And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
 to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
 and to be his servants,
 all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it
 and hold fast my covenant—

⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain
 and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
 their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
 will be accepted on my altar,

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

⁸Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel:
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

Word of God, word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67
(WE READ RESPONSIVELY)

¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

² **Let your way be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.**

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ **The earth has brought forth its increase;
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

⁷ May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

Second Reading

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

God has not rejected Israel. Rather, the call and gifts of God are irrevocable so that, while all have been disobedient, God has mercy upon all.

[Paul writes:] ¹ I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a} God has not

rejected his people whom he foreknew.

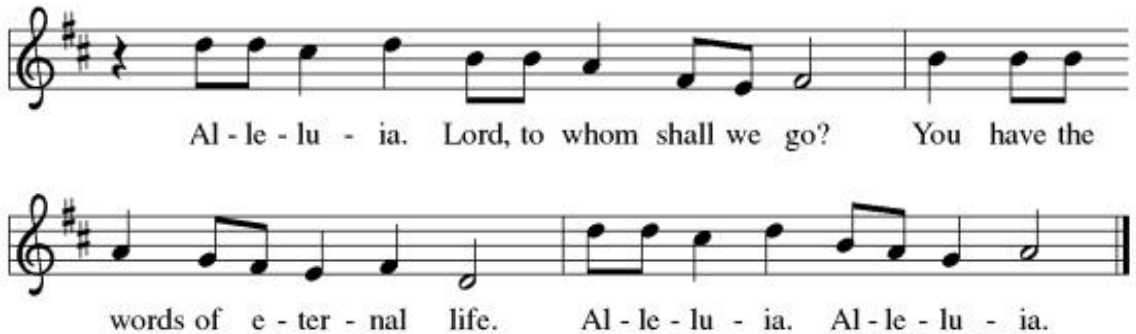
²⁹ For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. ³² For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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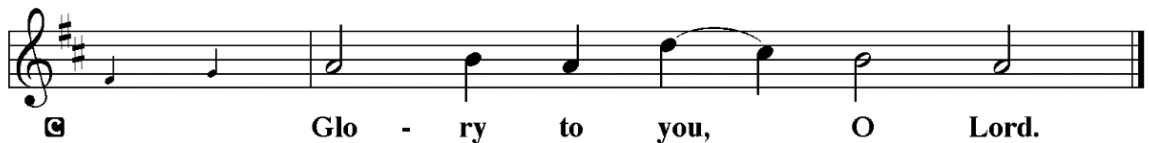
C Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit for the Gospel

*** Alleluia Verse**



P The Gospel according to Matthew the 15th chapter



*** Holy Gospel**

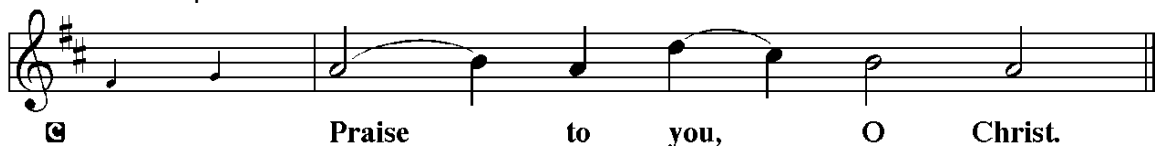
Matthew 15:10-28

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be a religious outsider approaches him for help.

¹⁰ [Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand:¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” ¹² Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” ¹³ He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” ¹⁶ Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶ He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷ She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

The Rev. Adam Fairchild

* Hymn of the Day

Baptized and Set Free

ELW 453

* Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

*** Prayers of the Church**

A With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Petitions will end with "Merciful God," Congregation will respond with "receive our prayer."

P Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

*** Sharing of the Peace**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

+ + + LITURGY OF THE MEAL + + +

Offering Reminder / The Offering is collected by the ushers at 10:00am

*** Offertory**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*** Offertory Prayer**

A Let us pray,
 Loving God,
 we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
 Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
 so that all creation can taste your abundance.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus,
 through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

* Preface

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resur - rec - tion

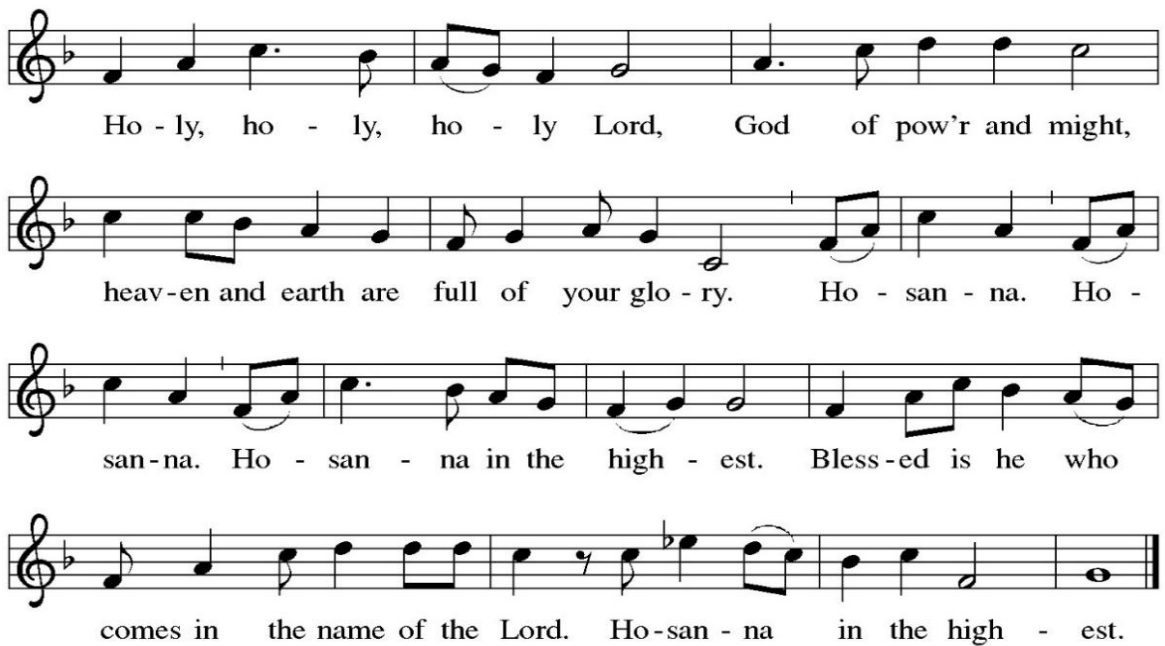
opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.

And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

*** Sanctus**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

* Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
 Your mercy is everlasting
 and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
 Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
 Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
 Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
 to the land of milk and honey.
 Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
 Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
 Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

P We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

C Amen.

*** The 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.

Invitation to Communion

P Heaven has come near.
Come, share in the feast!

+ + + COMMUNION + + +

*** Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)**



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
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Hymn

Calm to the Waves

ELW 794

*** Post-Communion Blessing**

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

C Amen.

*** Post-Communion Prayer**

A Let us pray,
Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C Amen.

Preparation for Ministry-Parish Announcements

*** Blessing**

P Father, Son, Holy Spirit
 ✠ one God,
 bless, grace, and sustain you
 today and always.

C Amen.

*** Closing Hymn**

In Christ There Is No East or West

ELW 650

*** Dismissal**

A Go, share the good news! Heaven has come near.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

J.S. Bach (1685 - 1750), *Minuet* from Church Cantata *

*** Prelude:** * George Frideric Handel was a German-born Baroque composer who spent most of his career in England. He is best known for his operas, oratorios, and orchestral works, including *Messiah*, and is considered one of the greatest composers of the Baroque era.

"Largo" from the opera *Xerxes* (originally titled "Ombra mai fu") is one of Handel's most famous melodies. Despite its nickname, it is actually marked *Larghetto*. The piece is calm, graceful, and lyrical, expressing admiration for the beauty and shade of a tree, and is celebrated for its serene and expressive character.

*** Postlude:** * Johann Sebastian Bach was a German Baroque composer and organist widely regarded as one of the greatest composers in history. His music is known for its intricate counterpoint, rich harmonies, and lasting influence on Western classical music.

The Minuet from Church Cantata is a graceful dance movement adapted from one of Bach's sacred cantatas. Written in the elegant **minuet** style, the piece features balanced phrases, clear melodies, and refined Baroque rhythms, making it a popular work for students and concert performances.

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ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Assisting Ministers Serving Today:

8:30 AM Skip Kordula

10:00 AM Sue Hester

Lectors:

8:30 AM Andrea Fuller

10:00 AM Monica Areford

Communion Assistants:

8:30 AM Andrea Fuller & Jeeva Samuels

10:00 AM Linda DeJong & Stewart Majerowicz

Ushers:

**10:00 AM Carol Erpenstein & Joe Erpenstein
 Colby Areford ***

Altar Guild:

8:30 AM Ruth Recchia & Diana Passapae

10:00 AM Bridget Heeter & Alyssa Heeter

Counters: Karen Valencik & Paulette Molz

ASSISTING NEXT WEEK:

Frank Worsham

Tom Arentz

Frank Worsham

Sue Hester

Linda Bayliss & Jeeva Samuels

Beth Doerflein & Sue Hester

**Melissa Arentz & Michael Joyce
Joe Wiegand ***

Ruth Recchia & Linda Bayliss

Paulette Molz & Beth Kirtland

Kathy Gunkel & Bridget Heeter

Prayerful Community

Throughout Scripture, we are invited to pray to God in all kinds of circumstances for all kinds of reasons. We ask God to guide us in our prayers for the church and for those in need. Join in and pray for those groups and friends listed below so that together we may ask for God's help and guidance for those in need.

All the Service Members	Declan	Izalia
Scott Ambrose	The DeJesus Family	Trish Janeczek
Angie and Family	Jerry Duncan	Janelle
Anthony	Danny	Angelina Jenkins
Joseph Ashun	Dottie Eberwein	Denis Jenkins
Pious Ashun	Janet Esposito	Joanne Jenkins
The Ashun Family	Debbie Estes	Jennifer
The Bachran Family	Pastor Adam & Miriam	Deanna Jordan Jerell
Cole Barnes	Fairchild	Joe
The Bennet Family	Charles Franz	Karen
Chris & Richard Betzel	Chris Fry	Beth Kirtland and the
Bernice	Kim G	Kirtland Family
Jenny Blinkly	George	Danielle Kirtland
Paula Boyce	Phyllis Gray	Klaudia
The Brinkley Family	Greg	Jane L.
Steve Browning	The Gwynn Family	Lance Leroy
Katie & Lucy Cellantano	Family & Friends of	Lisa Liston
Mary Clark	Frances Haeberle	Lucy Little
Sue Clingan	Kevin Haley	Greg Lois
Bob Clingerman	Alverta Hammond	Kaitlin
Christian Cobbinah	Margot Hampton	The Madison Family
The Cole Family	John Harding	Stewart Majerowicz
Bella Copper	Cindy Hinkleman	Barbra Makin
Kim & John Cornelius	Alison Hocker	The Marras Family
Sandy Crumley	The Hood Family	Doris Marshall
Deana	Isabella	Matthew

Gina Mauldin	Jeremy Rife	The Svennson Family
Donna McBride	Pastor Raymond Rohors	Anna Tham
Bob Meekins	Rita	Barbara Tham
Majorie Meekins	Friends & Family of	Doug Tomecek
Josephine Mensah	June Romeo	Tonia
Kathy and Timmy	Kelly Romeo	Tony
Milchling	Rose	Sandy Tudor
Rose Miles & Family	Family & Friends of	The Turkson Family
Miquel & Missy	Bonnie Ross	Lois Wainwright
Kristina Mohr	Gary Rowles	Donna Walsh
Molly	Karen Rowles	Ellie Ward
Lora Morgreth	Roy	Jim & Ellen Jane Ward
Deanna N.	Mary Ruble	Patricia Warnick
Nikkie & Family	Charlotte Russo	Wayne
Anne Ober	Melanie Rutkauskas	Friends & Family of Pat
Abel & Abraham Oboh	Sabrina & Baby	Weller
Jay Ogbidi	Carl Scudder	The Wheatly Family
Carol Orefice	Sharon Schaffer	The Wiegand Family and
Linda Pauley	Ann Schweigman	all those who mourn Doris
Vito Pizzini	The Nebraska	Dave Wilson
Chris Poland	Scheufele's	Karen Wilhelm
Chuck Poland	Isabel Schlegel	Virginia Woika
The West-Poma Family and	Frances Schultz	Dan Woodruff
all those who mourn Fran	The Simon Family	David E. Woodruff, Jr.
Bob Renshaw	Dina Siskos	Travis Woodruff
Friends & Family of	Herbert Slater	Agnes Marie Woodward
Amanda Reynolds	Pam & Paul Smith	Frank Worsham Sr
Tammy Ricardson	The Somwara Family	The Worsham Family
Mike Richard	Jay & Martie Sonntag	Ezrah Zaw
Cindy Rife	Summer	

Thank you for praying for those listed during the week.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Those serving in the Military in all theaters and their families:

Anthony J. Aguilar	Madison Johnson	Howard Stephens
Tristan Armiger	Mike Maharjan	Giovanni Valdez
Ryan Bailey	Greg Majerowicz	Michael Violanti
Timothy Buhrman-Hall	Austin Machin	Kendra Violanti
Eric Dillion	Robert Marotti	Eric Warthen, Jr.
Andrew Evans	Brandon Oldham	Amanda Williams
Brent Gooding	Keith Richards	Chad Workman
Lucas Gooding	Robert Ritter	James "Paul" Worth
Nicholas Gugliuzza	Cayden Samuels	Frank Worsham, Jr.
Nathan Jecelin	Wesley Schools	

Prayer for our troops: Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

In-person worship services are 8:30 & 10 AM.

The 8:30 AM service is in the Traditional style.

The 10 AM service is in the Contemporary style the first three Sundays of the month, and in the Traditional style the fourth - (and if there is a fifth) Sunday of the month.

Additionally, a midweek in-person service at 7pm is held the first and third Wednesday night of the month.

The service is casual and lasts about 30 minutes.

The parish office is open 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM Monday - Friday.

Pastor Adam keeps regular office hours Sunday – Thursdays, and except in the event of pastoral emergency, takes a sabbath on Fridays and Saturdays.

**The best way to contact Pastor Adam is
via email at pastor@poplutheranbaltimore.org
or on his cell phone 443-974-1542.**

The Food Pantry is open every Wednesday morning 10:00 am- Noon.

THE LORD'S WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

<u>Sunday</u>	08/16	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship
		10:00 AM	Deckelman Baptism
		10:00 AM	Contemporary Worship
		3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Camp Rock Performance/Theatre
		6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	NA Meeting/Ellenberger
<u>Monday</u>	08/17	5:00 PM – 9:00 PM	VFW Auxiliary Meeting/Conference Room
		6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	SoH Summer Dinner
<u>Tuesday</u>	08/18	6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Organ Rehearsal/Sanctuary
		6:30 PM	Property Work Night
		7:00 PM	Creation Care Ministry Meeting/Zoom
<u>Wednesday</u>	08/19	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Food Pantry/Narthex
		7:00 PM	Wednesday Worship
<u>Thursday</u>	08/20	6:00 PM	Nite Timers/Offsite
		6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Organ Rehearsal/Sanctuary
<u>Friday</u>	08/21	7:00 PM	Wing & A Prayer Rehearsal/Sanctuary

<u>Saturday</u>	08/22	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Young Marines/Ellenberger Hall
		1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Little Women Auditions/Theatre
		3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Organist Rehearsal/Sanctuary
<u>Sunday</u>	08/23	Blessing of the Backpacks & Picnic Sunday	
		8:30 AM	Traditional Worship
		10:00 AM	Contemporary Worship
		11:00 AM	Church Picnic
		6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	NA Meeting/Ellenberger