## Our Savior Lutheran Church

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**Pentecost** 

May 19, 2024

#### **Welcome Visitors!**

We celebrate the Lord's Supper at this holy gathering in celebration and confession that the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14) is present here with His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive at the altar (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:24-25).

Because this Sacrament is called Communion, all who come to the rail are to confess the same confession of faith. Because there are differences between denominations, we ask that you please speak to Pastor if you are not a member of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation.

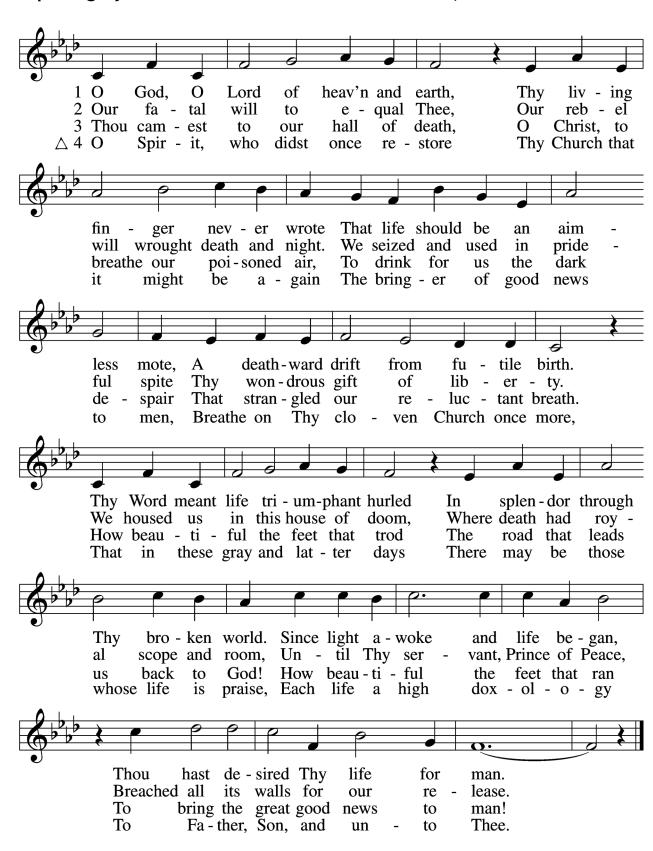
This practice is not a judgment upon anyone's faith. It is the Church's ancient practice to make sure that no one takes Jesus' body and blood to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). During the distribution, we ask that you sing the distribution hymns, meditate upon Jesus' death and resurrection as the reason for our gathering, and pray for the day that the devilish divisions between us will be abolished by the Son of God when He returns.

## **Divine Service Setting Three**

## **Opening Hymn**

## "O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth"

LSB 834



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

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Psalm 139:1-12

<sup>1</sup>O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

<sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

<sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue,

behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

<sup>5</sup>You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

<sup>7</sup>Where shall I go from your Spirit?

Or where shall I flee from your presence?

<sup>8</sup>If I ascend to heaven, you are there!

If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

<sup>9</sup>If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

<sup>10</sup>even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

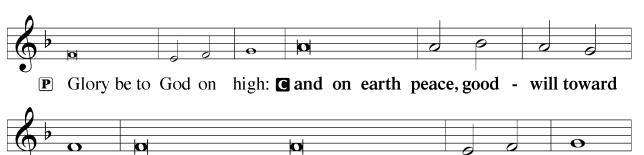
11 If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"

the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

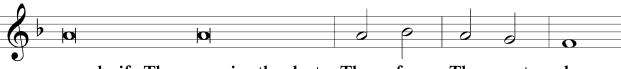
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirt; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



Gloria In Excelsis LSB 187



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

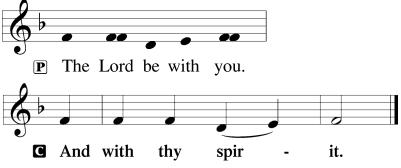


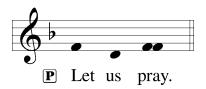
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189





**P** Heavenly Father ... one God, now and forever.



## **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

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

Epistle Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

17."And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;
18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

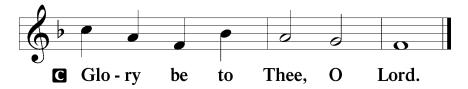
Alleluia LSB 190



## **Holy Gospel**

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said:] "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. . . .

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



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#### Sermon

"When I Open Your Graves"

Ezekiel 37:1-14

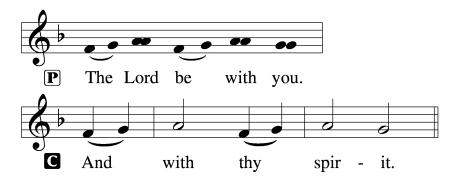
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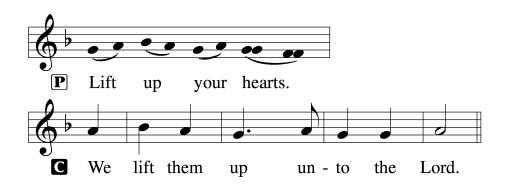


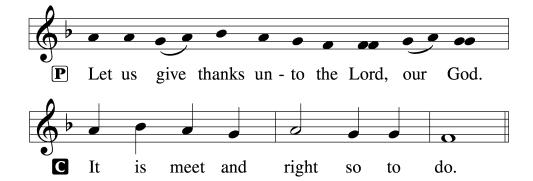
## Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

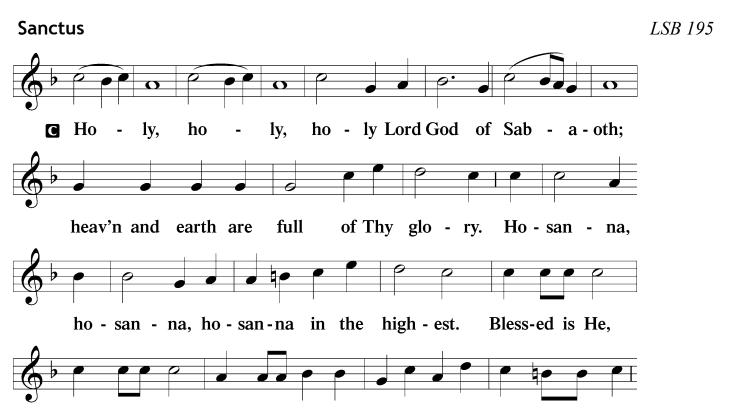
Preface LSB 194







**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:



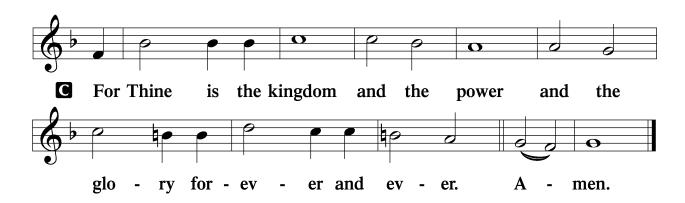
bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



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

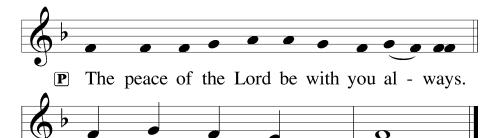
Lord's Prayer LSB 196

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.



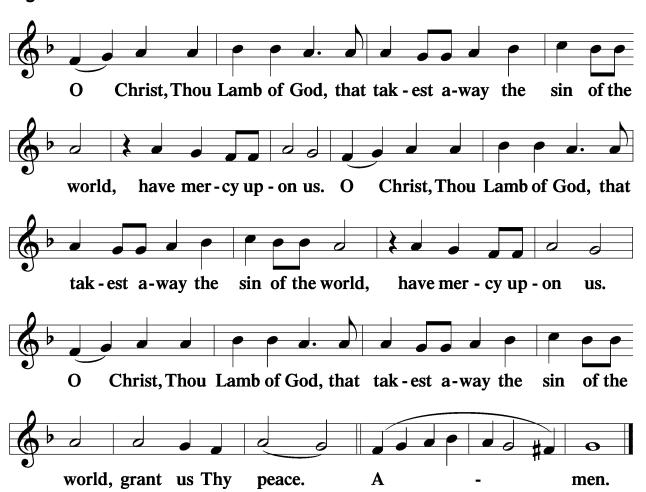
## The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini LSB 197



C A - men.

Agnus Dei LSB 198



## **Distribution Hymns**

## "O Living Bread from Heaven"

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- 1 A wake, my heart, with glad ness, See what to day is done; 2 The foe in tri-umph shout - ed When Christ lay in the tomb;
- 3 This is a sight that glad dens—What peace it doth im-part!
- 4 Now hell, its prince, the dev il, Of all their pow'r are shorn;



Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, Comes forth the glo - rious sun. is rout - ed, His But boast is turned to gloom. he now dens The Now noth - ing ev - er sad joy with-in my heart. safe from e vil, And Now am sin Ι laugh



there My Sav - ior laid Where our bed must was be made free; In For Christ a gain is glo rious vic to - ry shake, No gloom shall foe shall ev take No ev er er Grim death with all might Can - not its my soul af - fright;



When to of light Our the realms spir - it wings its flight. He who is strong to save Has tri - umphed o'er the grave. God's own Son In The hope which love for me has won. and storm. It pow'r - less form, How - e'er it is a rave

- 5 The world against me rages,
   Its fury I disdain;
  Though bitter war it wages,
   Its work is all in vain.
  My heart from care is free,
   No trouble troubles me.
   Misfortune now is play,
   And night is bright as day.
- 6 Now I will cling forever
  To Christ, my Savior true;
  My Lord will leave me never,
  Whate'er He passes through.
  He rends death's iron chain;
  He breaks through sin and pain;
  He shatters hell's grim thrall;
  I follow Him through all.

He brings me to the portal That leads to bliss untold, Whereon this rhyme immortal Is found in script of gold: "Who there My cross has shared Finds here a crown prepared; Who there with Me has died Shall here be glorified."

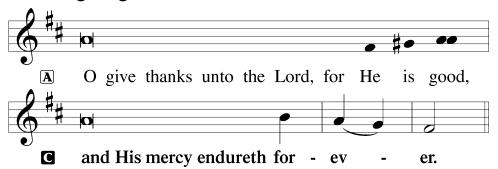
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#### **Nunc Dimittis** LSB 199



Thanksgiving LSB 200



**A** Let us pray.



## Salutation and Benedicamus

**Thanks** 

C

LSB 201



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to

God.

Benediction LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



## **Closing Hymn**

## "Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid"

LSB 500



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## **Events This Week**

**Today:** Worship at OSLC, 9am

**Today:** Worship at Good Shepherd, 10:45am **Monday:** Pat Nielsen Graveside Service, 1:30am

Wednesday: Bible Study, 10am

Wednesday: Bulletin/Newsletter Deadline, 10am

Saturday: Worship at Immanuel, 6pm

## **Those Serving at OSLC**

	5/19/24	5/26/24
Elder	Justin Schroeder	Bob Storm
Organist	Linda Kellerhals	Linda Kellerhals
Radio Monitors	Chris Schroeder Marilyn Reeves	Linda Buhrmester Deb Wright
Sound Board	Patty Bruens	Neil Rieches
Greeters	Dennis and Sheila Selk	Patrick and Dawn Teig
Acolyte	Ruth Harms	Jackson Lavicka
SS Snack	PreK - 5th	
Head Usher	Patrick Teig	Patrick Teig
Altar Guild	Diane Goldenstein Brenna Schroeder	Diane Goldenstein Brenna Schroeder

#### **Announcements**

**TODAY IS THE LAST DAY** for Sunday School and Bible Class until September 8, 2024. Thank you to our Sunday School Teachers and Substitutes - Connie Langellier, Courtney and Neil Rieches, Melissa Storm, Brenna Schroeder, and Jan Lavicka.

**2024 LAWN MOWING:** Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. The grass is growing and we need your help. There are plenty of options to fit your schedule. We are asking those that are able to sign up for a couple weeks to push mow the church/annex yards (not the big back yard). Thank you in advance for continuing to support and help your church.

**PAT NIELSEN'S GRAVESIDE** service will be tomorrow, Monday, May 20 at 1:30pm at Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford.

**THE GREAT JUNGLE JOURNEY VBS** will be held June 17-21 from 9:00-11:00am. We are looking for volunteers to help with VBS, as well as snack donations. Please check out the table in the narthex to help make this year's VBS a success!

Every day, our kids are bombarded with questions: Did God really create everything? Why do bad things happen? Was Noah's ark real? Why do I need to be saved? Can I trust the Bible? At this VBS, your kids will explore the biblical answers to these questions as they set off on an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Amid sloths, butterflies, river dolphins, and dart frogs, your children will sail along on a fun jungle cruise, stopping at seven ports of call. These ports are the 7 C's of History: Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Kids will discover how these events shape our world, and they will learn to reconnect the Bible to their everyday life. Prepare to swing into fun as we head out on The Great Jungle Journey!

Scan the QR code, or visit our Facebook page to register!

**LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE** "Go to church together and get God's message into your ears, into your life, into your relationships. And the Spirit who created you and recreates you into the best version of yourself, that self that God has in mind for you, will work in your relationship and make it into one that is life-giving. But married or single, divorced or twice-divorced, widowed, brokenhearted, or thriving, we all live in the echo of Easter: Christ is risen. Indeed. Alleluia. We walk in the power of Pentecost. Alleluia." *Rev. Dr. John Nunes, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* 

## **Prayer List**

## Those celebrating a birthday:

Pastor Minton Today
Alyssa Whaley Tuesday
Linda Kellerhals Friday

## Those celebrating an anniversary:

Pray for the engaged couples in our congregation.

## Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester
Nancy Tobeck
Julie Ahlden, friend of Bob Storm
Janet Doyle, friend of Patty Bruens
Kim Cann, friend of Becky Bridge
Dale Colvin, cousin of Jim Winder
Tim Evans, brother in law of Bob Storm
Lisa High, friend of Becky Hiles
Kendra Howard, niece of Doug Benner
Pamela Howard, sister of Doug Benner
Ron Mulach, cousin of Shelle Franke
Amy Wall, cousin of Shelle Franke
Fred Wright, brother of Marvin Wright

## Those requesting your prayers:

Hayden Goldenstein, grandson of Jon and Diane G, upcoming surgery Bob Hastings, recovering from surgery

#### Those who mourn:

Family and friends of LaVerne Hubner, given Christian burial this past week.

#### **Homebound Members**

Dianne Estes Arlene Hines Dorothy Knake Joann Sloan Brenda St. Peter

# Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement, especially those connected to the OSLC family:

#### **Armed Forces**

Karl Gibbs - serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy Justin McGahan - Milford community member, serving in the U.S. Army Timothy Raddatz - nephew of Phil and Cindy Raddatz, serving in the U.S. Coast Guard Kaleb Waldbeser - friend of Bob and Donna Flesher, serving in the U.S. Marine Corp.

#### Law Enforcement

Wyatt Alt - Milford Chief of Police Thomas Wimmer - friend of Emily Hines, member of the Tilton Police Department

**Central Illinois District Congregations:** Good Shepherd in Sherman and Matthew Schneider and Joshua Theilen her pastors.

**Iroquois Circuit Congregations:** Immanuel in Loda and St. Peter in Thawville and Earl Kinnee as he preaches for them. Good Shepherd in Hoopeston and Immanuel in Idaville and Tyler Hauptmeier as he considers their call.

## Those studying at the Seminary:

Seminarian Simon Niemtschk, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO Seminarian Jacob Bergstedt, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, IN.

## Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Samuel Bobby, his wife Erica, and sons Judah, August, Benjamin, Simon, and Pax, our adopted international missionary, currently serving in Latvia. Rev. Bobby teaches at The Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia.



# **Moments with Mahlah**

For the Week of May 12, 2024

Mahlah began the week in Indiana with handler Diane Costello. They attended church at Trinity in Goodland, traveled to Majestic Care in Lafayette with a stopover in West Lafayette to see family, then met some new friends at a Meijer store heading home.









On Tuesday Mahlah returned to Indiana and with Diane again as handler she visited Westminster Village in West Lafayette and Saint Anthony's in Lafayette.









At this writing, Mahlah was looking forward to a grooming visit on Thursday, with Susan Yergler as handler, and then a regular visit at South Newton Elementary School on Friday, with Susan as handler.

We look back to pictures from last week's visits to Gibson City on Wednesday, Lake Village and Lincoln on Friday, and the Arrowsmith Christian Church on Saturday.







Remember to email Mahlah at Mahlah@K9Comfort.org if you know of an individual or organization that would benefit from a visit. Thanks for your continued support as we seek to bring the compassion, mercy, presence, and proclamation of Jesus to all.

