

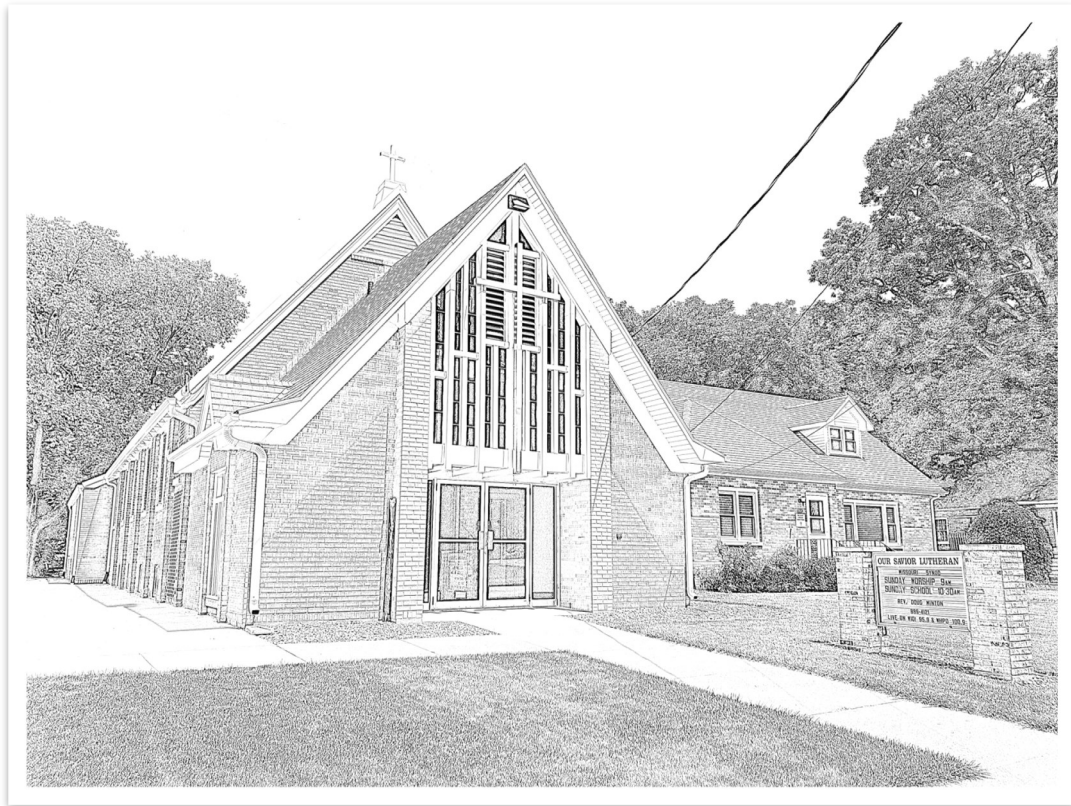
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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

Service of Prayer and Preaching

Opening Hymn

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

LSB 367



1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in
△ 5 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,



all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing,
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,
Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light.
Ye have seen His na - tal star.
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.
To the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;



Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Text (sts. 1, ref, 2-4): James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.; (st. 5): Salisbury Hymn Book, 1857, Salisbury, alt.
Tune: Henry T. Smart, 1813-79
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Opening Versicles

LSB 260

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
C Teach me Your paths.
L Sanctify us in Your truth.
C Your Word is truth.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

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

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

Refrain

C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -

claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done

glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the

earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -

hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the

Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will

be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Psalm 85:8-13

⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to
folly.

⁹**Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.**

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

¹¹**Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

¹²Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³**Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.**

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

L A reading from Amos, the seventh chapter.

⁷This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“Behold, I am setting a plumb line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass by them;
⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

¹⁰Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said,

“Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land.”

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

¹⁴Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

L A reading from Ephesians, the first chapter.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹¹In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹²so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also,

when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:14-29

L A reading from the Gospel of Mark, the sixth chapter.

¹⁴King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²²For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." ²³And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." ²⁴And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²⁵And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Responsory

LSB 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Hymn of the Day

“What Child is This”
LSB 370



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is
 2 Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
 3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While
 feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The
 own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
 si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall
 lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;
 pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;
 song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
 Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar - y!

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-98
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Ten Commandments

LSB 264

- ☐ You shall have no other gods.**
- You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**
- Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**
- Honor your father and your mother.**
- You shall not murder.**
- You shall not commit adultery.**
- You shall not steal.**
- You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**
- You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

Apostles' Creed

LSB 264

- ☐ 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.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 264

**☩ 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.**

Catechism Reading: The Sixth Petition

LSB 324

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

Sermon

“Predestined for Adoption”
Ephesians 1:3-14

Sermon Hymn

“Joy to the World”

LSB 387



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions



King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
Tune: George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759, adapt.
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Offering and Prayer

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- L** . . . one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord . . . who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

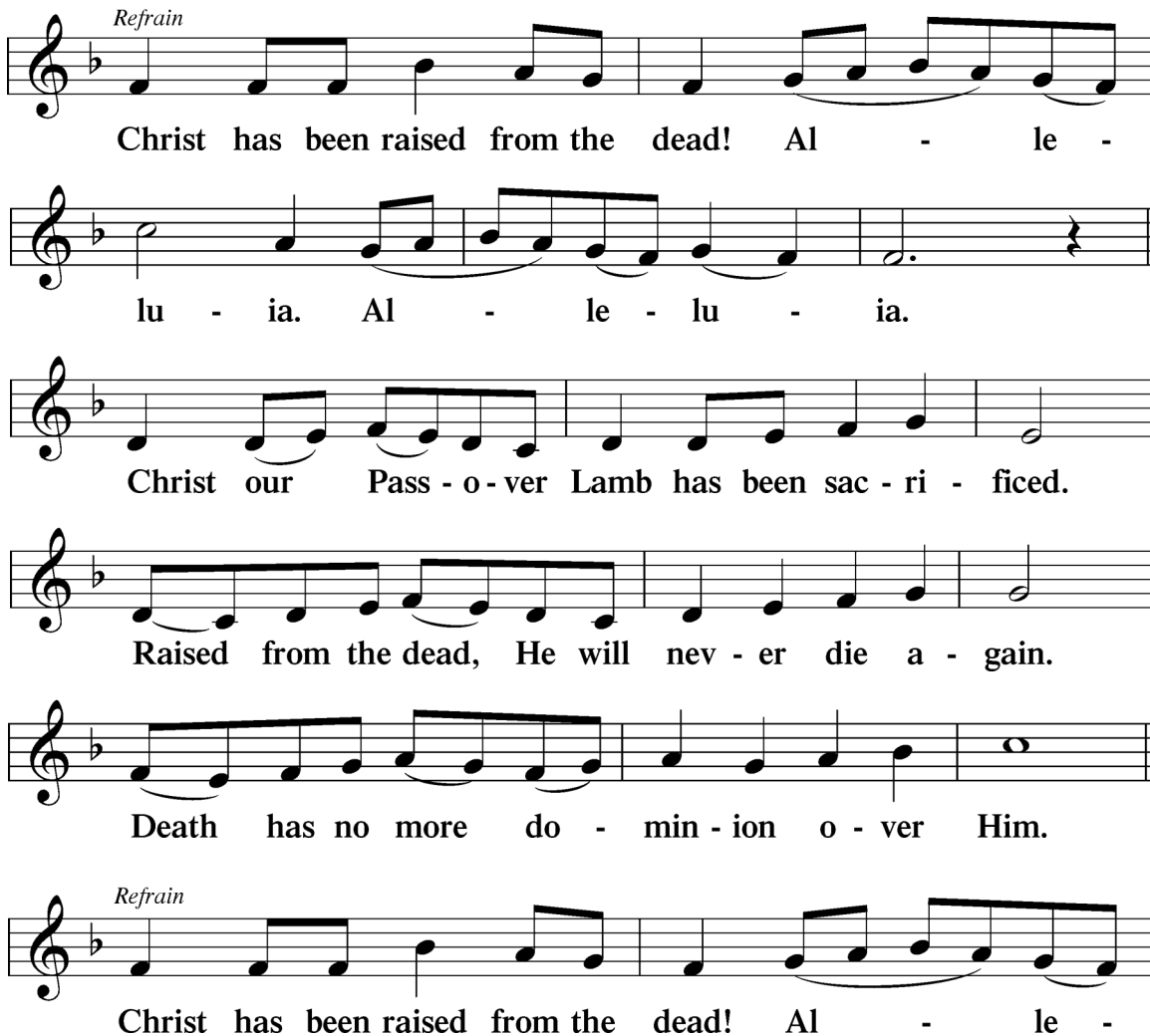
LSB 266

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Cantic

LSB 266

Refrain



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Blessing

LSB 267

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

“Once in Royal David’s City”

LSB 376



1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a
2 He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is
3 For He is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by
4 And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His
5 Not in that poor, low - ly sta - ble With the



low - ly cat - tle shed, Where a moth - er laid her
God and Lord of all, And His shel - ter was a
day like us He grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and
own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and
ox - en stand - ing by Shall we see Him, but in



ba - by In a man - ger for His bed: Mar - y
sta - ble, And His cra - dle was a stall; With the
help - less, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He
gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove; And He
heav - en, Set at God's right hand on high. Then like



was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
poor and mean and low - ly Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
feels for all our sad - ness, And He shares in all our glad - ness.
leads His chil - dren on To the place where He is gone.
stars His chil - dren, crowned, All in white, His praise will sound!

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today: Worship at OSLC, 9am
Today: Worship at Good Shepherd, 10:45am
Wednesday: *Bulletin Deadline, 10am*
Thursday: Church Council Meeting, 7pm
Saturday: Worship at Immanuel, 6pm
Next Sunday: Voter's Meeting, 10:15am

Those Serving at OSLC

	7/14/24	7/21/24
Elder	Justin Schroeder	Bob Storm
Organist	Linda Kellerhals	Theta Lee
Radio Monitors	Brian Neukomm Neil Rieches	Charlene Rieches Patty Bruens
Sound Board	Patrick Teig	Neil Rieches
Greeters	Jake and Olivia Harms	Bob and Chris Rieches
Acolyte	Henry Lange	Clara Neukomm
Head Usher	Jake Harms	Jake Harms
Altar Guild	Gloria Schleef Linda Kellerhals	Gloria Schleef Linda Kellerhals

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING will be held Sunday, July 21st following service. Plan now to attend and be involved in the business side of the congregation.

QUARTERLY CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING will be held Thursday, July 18th at 7pm.

QUARTERLY MEETING ITEMS are needed by Wednesday, July 17th at 10am. thanks!

JULY FOCUS ON THE FAMILY inserts are here. Pick up your copy today in the narthex.

THE WATSEKA CHAPTER OF SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE is planning a bed build at St. John Lutheran Church (Schwer) 1812 E 1130 North Road, Milford on Saturday August 3, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Volunteers can sign up at SHPbeds.org. No skills or tools are necessary. Just be ready to have fun as you help build beds for kids in our communities to fulfill our mission - No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town. Contact Chapter President Wayne Lehmann (815) 383-4917 for more information.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY: In today's service, we begin an eight-week series on St. Paul's epistle to the Ephesians. We begin this series by celebrating Christmas in July. We look to the fact that God has predestined us to adoption as sons and daughters through Jesus Christ. Christ's birth began the visible realization and fulfillment of the promises of salvation God had made to His people throughout the Old Testament. We celebrate this gift of predestination every Christmas, and so we do it again today.

IT'S COUNTY FAIR SEASON! Prairieview is again hosting a booth at the Iroquois County Fair! This year, the Fair will take place from **Tuesday, July 16th to Sunday, July 21st**. We are looking for volunteers to help run our booth! We will have 3 shifts each day, and are looking to fill them with two people: **One Prairieview staff member** and **one volunteer**. Shifts are still open. Please let us know if you are able to work a shift by either calling into Prairieview at **(815) 269-2970**, or emailing me at jlauritson@prairieviewlutheran.com. Thank you so much for your help this year! We all very much appreciate it!
Jared Lauritson, Dir. of Marketing and Development

SAVE THE DATE!! Prairieview Lutheran Homes will hold their annual Fall Festival on Friday, September 6, 2024, through Saturday, September 7, 2024 at the Prairieview campus. Prairieview is celebrating 50 years and the festival will be one you will not want to miss!! If you have any questions, please see Kendra.

DEEPER STILL is a faith-based healing retreat for Post-Abortive women and men. If you, or someone you know, has been wounded by past choices, consider a confidential weekend retreat with Deeper Still. There is no cost to attend. Find more information on the flyer in the narthex.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE "We are each created in God's image regardless of our abilities. He has called us to be His witnesses in the world. We are blessed for life—that we might be a BLESSING—glorifying Him in all we do. Because He has redeemed ME, my response to His everlasting love is to seek to do His will in all things and seek to serve. All His children, regardless of age (pre-born to wise with age), could seek to share God's love with each and every soul God has created." *Lori Solyom, Director of Development, Voice of Care – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

PRAYER LIST

Those celebrating a birthday:

Charlotte Reutter	Today
Karry Hines	Tuesday
Ethan Morts	Tuesday
Isaac Brown	Wednesday
Donald Hubner (99!)	Wednesday
Gretchen Brown	Thursday
Mary Kamin	Thursday
Bob Storm	Thursday

Those celebrating an anniversary:

Dean and Laurie Lingley	Saturday (22 years)
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Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester
Nancy Tobeck
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

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Don Hubner as he celebrates his 99th birthday on Wednesday.

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

Corey Moore - son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, serving in the U.S. Marine Reserves

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 - Iroquois County Sherriff Department

Thomas Wimmer - friend of Emily Hines, member of the Tilton Police Department

Central Illinois District Congregations: St. John in Chatham and Kevin Wendorf and Mark Miller her pastors.

Iroquois Circuit Congregations: Good Shepherd in Hoopeton and Immanuel in Idaville as they continue in the call process.

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 July 7, 2024

Mahlah's week began with a visit to Trinity in Cissna Park, with Judy and Brent Danforth as handler and ministry partner. She was happily greeted by friends of all ages.



On Monday, Mahlah reminded us to be patriots every day.



On Wednesday morning she reminded us to be thankful every day, rain or shine.

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.



