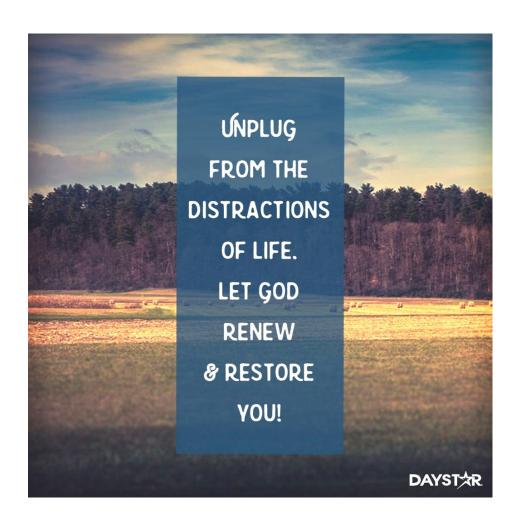
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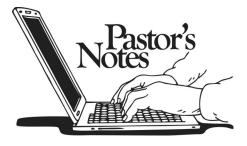


## Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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Pastor Jennifer Herrmann



As our synod is recognizing this year as the "Year of Rest" and focusing on what it means to honor the sabbath, here are some of my thoughts.

We are in the heat of summer but I promise the church is a cool place to be on Sunday! Yes, the pun was intentional. Feel free to groan. Summer is often a time for vacations and recreation. It is important to change your view of life once in a while and go on a vacation or make some time for re-creating yourself.

This is part of what taking time for sabbath is all about. It is about a time to rest, to give yourself and others a break. Taking sabbath time weekly is important -- and that includes much more than just going to church on a Sunday morning.

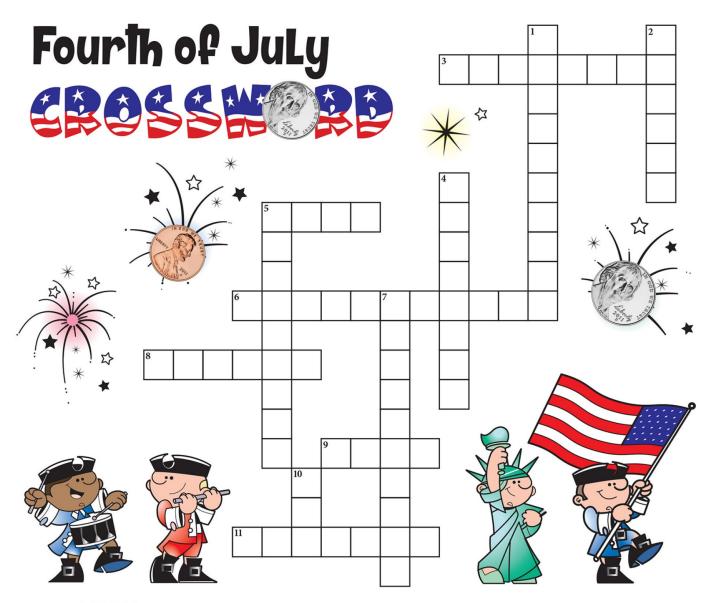
If you've ever gotten mad at electronics for not working, the first step is always to turn it off, unplug it, and then try all over again. It's a good rule for life too. We need time to turn off and unplug in order to be in good working order. To those of you who are retired, this isn't just about the working life. At every age, we need ways to give ourselves permission to just stop, rest, recharge, and let go of things. Sometimes we need to even step away from the things we think we do for fun (sports, hobbies, etc.) when they become more like a chore than re-creation.

Hopefully, part of the way we can do that is to attend worship and give thanks to God. However, worship isn't *just* a time of peaceful rest -- it is a time when we allow God to speak to us so that we might be able to go back into our daily lives empowered to be the work of God in this world. So, sometimes worship will be the peaceful balm that soothes your soul. Sometimes worship will be God holding up a mirror to us so that we can see our failings and encourage us to do better. Sometimes worship will spark something in us that gives us a burst of new light and energy. And, there is no denying it, sometimes worship just feels and falls flat. This too is okay. God is still present and with us – that moment may have been the moment another person in our community needed the most.

I hope over these summer months, you might take some extra time for sabbath -- to unplug and recharge. May God continue to be felt and known in your life and in all you do.

Love and peace, Pastor Jen





# IN GOOD WAY

#### **ACROSS**

- 3. Fill in this famous quote common among Patriots: "No \_\_\_\_\_\_ without representation!"
- 5. The Star-Spangled Banner was written about the American \_\_\_\_\_.
- **6.** The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Independence begins with "We the people."
- **8.** British tea was dumped into the harbor during the \_\_\_\_\_ Tea Party.
- **9.** The colors of the United States are red, white and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11. \_\_\_\_\_ is the power or right to act, speak, or think how you want.

#### **DOWN**

- 1. This general went on to become our first president.
- **2.** The National \_\_\_\_\_ is sung before many sports events.
- **4.** There were \_\_\_\_\_ states in 1776.
- 5. These things light up the sky on the Fourth of July.
- 7. During the American \_\_\_\_\_\_, the colonies wanted to separate from Great Britain.
- 10. A \_\_\_\_ dollar bill has George Washington on it.





### Young At Heart Schedule of Events – 2024

The Young At Heart are collecting donations for Cancer Bags for the Cancer Services in Sandusky. Below is a list of items being collected for the bags. They will be collecting through July. Bags will be assembled in early August. Items may be placed in the baskets in the upstairs hall. Monetary donations to the Young At Heart will be used to purchase needed items. Thank you very much.

Chapstick Water Bottles
Individually Wrapped Hard Candies/Lemon Drops
Hand Sanitizer Tissues
Individually Wrapped Chocolates Gum

Hats Unscented Hand Lotion

Comfy Socks Face Masks

**Adult Coloring Books** 

Small Devotions Puzzle Books

Notebook and Pen/Journal and Pen

Pencils, Crayons, Markers Fleece Blanket (used during treatment)

**July 10** – Continuing to collect items for the Cancer bags for Cancer Services so that in August the bags can be assembled.

August 14 – 1:00 pm – Assemble Cancer Kits

**September 11 – 11:30 am** - Lunch Downtown then Tour Care and Share

October 9 – Tour Family Health Services

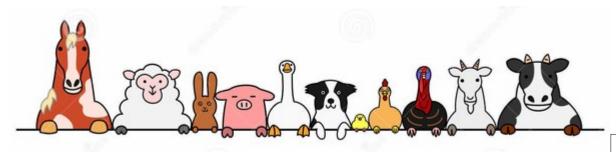
November 13 – Lunch at the Senior Center – Jane Anne Cummings, leader

**December 11** – TBD



#### Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Sandusky, Ohio - Sandusky OH Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2024

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Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance
Assets	Charling Assessed	42.044.04
1.100.102	Checking Account	43,911.81
1.100.104	Petty Cash Fund	20.00
1.100.106	Thrivent Bond Fund Checking	61,911.10
1.200.114	Thrivent Money Market Account	1,650.16
1.220.116	Endowment Savings Thrivent	113,549.15
1.220.118	Mission Plus Investments (3 CD's)	4,010.69
1.220.120	Edward Jones Mutual Fund	284,944.77
1.220.122	Edward Jones CD	19,989.80
1.400.110	Thirvent Moderate Fund (Reserve)	60,068.17
1.400.112	Thrivent Moderate Fund - Pavement	753.00
	Total Assets	\$590,808.65
Liabilities		
2.100.216	Ohio Treasurer of St	354.00
2.100.218	R.I.T.A.	207.08
2.100.219	Ohio Department of Taxation	16.40
2.100.220	Board of Pension	(5.15)
	Total Liabilities	\$572.33
Fund Balances		
3.100.300	Current Fund Balance	37,542.38
3.210.300	Community Mission Fund Balance	14,280.71
3.220.300	Designated Giving Fund Balance	
3.221.300	Memorial Fund Balance	33,081.17
3.222.300	Endowment Fund Balance	117,559.84
3.223.300	Building Improvement Fund Balance	42,006.28
3.225.300	Pavement Fund Balance	753.00
3.227.300	Charity Fund Balance	284,944.77
	Total Designated Giving Fund Balance	\$478,345.06
3.400.300	Reserve Fund Balance	60,068.17
	Total Fund Balances	\$590,236.32
	Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$590,808.65



# COUNCIL Update

# TRINITY CONGREGATION COUNCIL Meeting Highlights - June 20, 2024 - 7:00 pm

(These are unapproved meeting minutes)

Attending: Pat Wiedenheft, Jim Bertsch, P. Jen, Betsy Stierhoff, Kathy Bango, Nancy Vollmer, Secretary Carol Dahs Absent: Carrie Wiedenheft, Bill Bertsch, Gayle Thompson, Barb Sessler

Meeting called to order by Vice-President – Nancy Vollmer, Opening devotions were given by Jim Bertsch

Business of Visitors to Council: A representative of a women's only AA/NA group presented a request to have weekly meetings at Trinity on Wednesday mornings from 9 am to 10 am. Jim made a motion to accept this request. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Betsy. Motion passed. Carol will send them a building usage form to complete with a \$50 yearly fee to be returned on their first meeting date, July 3.

Minutes of previous meeting (May 2024) were reviewed. Jim made a motion to accept the May meeting minutes.  $2^{nd}$  by Betsy. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report for May 2024 was reviewed. All funds have been corrected after the CD was cashed in. Pat made a motion to accept the May treasurer's report. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report: P. Jen confirmed 3 individuals, had 2 funerals and 1 baptism in May/June. She attended Pastor Mike's installation at Zion, Sandusky. Starting in the fall P. Jen will be attending Ministerial Meetings in the area. Gayle and her have made a few more visits to shut ins. P. Jen purchased a small window ac unit for her bedroom and installed it. Trinity purchased a 2<sup>nd</sup> bigger ac unit for downstairs. Mike M. and Mike S. installed the unit. The big unit was roughly \$600. Jim told P. Jen she could submit the invoice for the little unit she purchased as long as she left it behind, if she ever moved. This will now give council time to figure out what to do about the whole house air conditioning.

Congregational Life – Kathy Bango – Father's Day gifts were passed out. Kathy will not be at the July council meeting.

Faith Builders – Pat Wiedenheft – The kids did Pops with Pop for Father's Day in June. Nothing else is currently going on.

Community Mission – Betsy Stierhoff – Betsy's group will be assembling 100 lunch bags for Care & Share on July 28. Betsy is applying for Thrivent Funds to cover the cost of the food. Would like to have the youth help them assemble the bags.

Property – The doors in the basement fellowship hall have been installed. All updates from last August's flooding should now be completed. Mike M. fixed the 2 ceiling fans at the parsonage.

Stewardship & Finance – Jim Bertsch – Will need to start to work on the 2025 budget.

Worship and Music – Nancy Vollmer/Barb Sessler – People seem to be liking the hymn of the month. Everything else is moving along well. Looking at the next meeting to be in September.

Young at Heart – The Mystic Belle boat tour was very nice, beautiful day. Not sure what is happening for July yet. July 10<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting. The group is still collecting for cancer services and will assemble the bags in August.

Old Business – Barb S & Bonnie L. are working on getting picture frames to hang P. Kathy, P. Ralph, and P. Jen's pictures in the office. Carol called Church Windows and was able to get the year end statements to now show the accounts that each individual donates to.

New Business – Carol put a request into Loris Printing to print us Memorial envelopes with Trinity's name on them. Betsy made a motion to accept the bid of \$172.51 for 2000 envelopes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat. Motion passed. Carol called on the installation of the storm windows. They have them all made and are waiting to work our smaller job in between some of their bigger projects. Will get done this summer. Jim made a motion to accept Adele's request to be transferred from Grace to Trinity. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat. Motion passed. Jim made a motion to accept the request of Brian Hickman to be transferred from Trinity to St. Paul, Danbury. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy. Motion

6 passed.



## **FAITH** Member Ministry

## Friends and Family Abiding in Christ In Their Homes/Hospitals/Healthcare Centers

"You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life forever." - Zig Ziglar

#### FAITH Members (as of 6/20/2024)

At the Commons of Providence, 5000 Providence Drive, Sandusky

Ruth Sieb Apt #107 Birthday - Sept. 19

At the Commons of Providence Memory Care Unit, 4901 Providence Drive, Sandusky

Ruby Stierhoff Rm #114 Birthday - July 26

At Parkvue Community, 3800 Boardwalk Blvd, Sandusky OH 44870

Ray Remy Apt. 112 Birthday - Feb 9

At Portland House, 3808 Venice Rd, Sandusky OH 44870

Mary Ann Neidler Rm #123 Birthday - Dec 30

At Providence Care Center, 2025 Hayes Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870

At The Meadows of Osborn Park, 3916 Perkins Avenue, Huron, Ohio 44839

At Otterbein Senior Life, 9400 North Shore Blvd, Lakeside-Marblehead OH 43440

At the Commons of Providence Assisted Living Building, 5000 Providence Drive, Sandusky

At the Willows of Bellevue, 101 Auxiliary Drive, Bellevue, Ohio 44811

At Heritage Village, 700 Helen Street, Clyde, Ohio 43410

#### In their homes:

Pat Nielsen	1502 Martins Point Road, Sandusky	419-684-5627	June 6
Judy Welser	5619 Debra Drive, Castalia	419-684-7232	Feb. 11
Nancy Sessler	6520 Heywood Rd, Sandusky		Oct 5
Laura Allen	2015 Cedar Point Rd, Sandusky		

Should you like to join our team in making home visits, where we offer conversation, prayers and communion, please contact Patty Swartz at 419-626-4970.





Crossroads Homeless Shelter
Meal
for July 17, 2024

Pork/Noodles
Green Beans
Corn
Salad
Bread
Watermelon

Jim is still cooking monthly meals for Crossroads. If you would like to support this ministry please send your donation to the church and mark it Homeless Meal.



TRY TRINITY'S NEW QR CODE if you would like to easily make donations to the church. Just place your phone camera over it like you are going to take a picture. The link will show up on your phone and you can just tap on it and go to the website with the donation button.

Trinity Lutheran Church



Online Offering



## **JULY MILESTONES**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

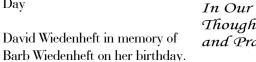
- 1 Judith Driscoll
- 3 Matthew Lesch
- 4 Bradley Stierhoff
- 5 Michael CullenSusan CullenAbigail Price
- 6 Addison Strayer Charlee Stierhoff
- 7 Jonathan Gill Tricia Patten
- 12 Scott Swartz
- 15 Dominic Stierhoff Stephen Wobser
- 16 Logan Lesch
- 18 Sandy Paseka Cindy Bowers
- 20 Candy Beatty



- 22 Patti Bango
- 23 Dolores Troike
- 24 Dennis Sessler
- 26 Kimberly Stierhoff Ryan Paseka Ruby Stierhoff
- 29 Fred Wobser
- 31 Charlene Stierhoff Don Casanova

#### MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

Jeannie Leimeister and Patty Swartz in loving memory of their father Albert Selke on Father's Day





Wendy Wiedenheft, John & Martha Leimeister in memory of Sonny Schonhardt

Jack & Brenda Ried in memory of Curt & Dorothy Miller

Patty Swartz, Scott Galbraith, Jim Bertsch, Larry & Linda Velliquette, David Wiedenheft, Pat & Larry Wiedenheft, Gregory, Susanne, & Carrie Lemert, Wes & Betty Miller, Wendy Wiedenheft, David & Sally Warner Arlayne Mischler, Nancy Lipstraw, Jean Cline, Mary Anne Wiedenheft in memory of Phyllis Baum

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Ben & Christina Stephens 20th
- 7 Charles & Kathy Bango 24th
- 8 Dominic & Tracy Carrozzino 18th
- 11 David & Kellie Beiser 10th
- 16 Matthew & Dawn Smith 19th
- 17 Evan & Lauren Kautz 3rd
- 19 David & Sally Warner 49th
- 26 Mike & Maree Markley 49th
- 30 Jacob & Amy Stierhoff 8th
- 31 Tom & Peggy Kingsborough 49th



#### MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

Patty Swartz, Jim Bertsch, Denny & Barb Sessler, Cindy Norman, Nancy Vollmer, Ken & Carrie Killingsworth, Wes & Betty Miller, Jim & Nancy Yantz, David Wiedenheft, Shannon Limberios, Linda Gantz, Mike & Maree Markley, Tom & Peggy Kingsborough, Mike & Susan Cullen, Tom & Shirley Sigman, Gregory, Susanne & Carrie Lemert, Wendy Wiedenheft, Orpha Densmore, Kim Likes, Lyle Marquardt, Larry Bedee, Rosemarie Canter, Roy & Marilyn Miller, Bill & Diane Jacoby, Roger & Pat Frey, Fred Wobser, Jim Kluding & Kathleen Shuck, Fran Spidare, Tom & Karen Beaver, Bob & Charlene, Diana & Gary Bath, Rhonda & Dean Matus, Arlayne Mischler, Scott & Donna Swartz, Larry & Linda Velliquette, Jane & Roger Rowland, Agnes Nickle, Harriet Minich, Larry the Barber, Dave & Bev Mix, Matthew & Jill Conner, Rex & Charlene Stierhoff, Shelby & Zoe Koch, Jacob & Amy Stierhoff and family, John & Joyce Lusch, Martha Somers, Al Wiedenheft, Tom Miller, Dale & Ann Cerny, Mark & Carrie Wiedenheft & family, Helen McConnell, Joe & Deb DeRose, Carl & Karen Schwochow, John & Martha Leimeister, Jean Cline, Roy & Joyce Patterson, Greg Norman, Don & Denise Casanova, Stan & Sheree Miller, Edward Grahl, Russ Stephens, Pat McClellan, Jack & Brenda Ried, Christine Hamilton, Larry & Pat Wiedenheft, Nancy Sessler, David & Sally Warner, Mary Anne Wiedenheft, William & Janice Frustaglia, Keith & Louise Newton, Ruth Sieb, Jeff & Jean Smith, Patsy & Diana Troike in memory of Robert Bertsch



#### On behalf of the people of Trinity, our Congregation Council thanks:

- To all who helped place wreaths at Venice Cemetery on May 26
- To everyone who participated in the Pops with Pop Sunday gathering
- To Carrie, Tyler, Carlie, and Ryan Wiedenheft for setting up the tables and chairs for Bob Bertsch's funeral luncheon



# Last Chance to get your wreath!!!



#### **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA!**

Margaretta Township and the surrounding community is once again participating in Wreaths Across America this year where we'll place a remembrance wreath on every veteran's grave in our four township cemeteries. Our goal is to honor, remember, and teach others about the sacrifice that our 980+ veterans and their families have made so that we may continue to enjoy the freedoms we have today.

Last year, our community ranked #17 in Ohio with over 200 groups participating and #288 nationally with over 2300 groups participating. The ranking was based on the number of wreaths sponsored. Margaretta Township proudly placed a wreath on every veteran's grave last year at Castalia, Graves, Sand Hill, and Venice. We even had a few extra that were donated to the Ohio Veterans' Cemetery on Columbus Ave in Sandusky.

This great success never would have happened without the support of folks like you. A \$17.00 donation will sponsor a wreath again this year and you may do it specifically for a veteran of your choosing or a general donation of any amount.

Starting on Sunday, May 26<sup>th,</sup> the Memorial Day weekend, we will have the paper wreaths for you to fill out again this year by the tree outside the office in the educational wing. Please follow the instructions on the wall for filling out your wreath. We will do this during the month of June and end on the Fourth of July. We have chosen to do this earlier this year to stay away from the busy time of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Wreaths will not be placed at gravesites until December.

Once again, Thank You for your past support and Thank You again this year for your continued support!

# JULY 2024

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			Women's AA/NA 9 - 10 am NA 7:00 pm	Independence Day Office Closed	Office Closed	NA 11:00 am
7 Seventh Sunday of Pentecost	8	6	10	11	12	13
Communion Service 8:00 & 10:30 am			AA/NA 9 - 10 am			NA 11:00 am
			NA 7:00 pm			
Eighth Sunday of Pentecost	15	16	17 AA/NA 9 - 10 am	18	19	20
Worship Service 8:00 & 10:30 am JAM Session 9:30 am			Crossroads Meal 1pm NA 7:00 pm	Council Mtg 7:00 pm		NA 11:00 am
	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	
Nineth Sunday of Pentecost	22	23	24	25	26	27
Communion Service 8:00 & 10:30 am			AA/NA 9 - 10 am NA 7:00 pm			NA 11:00 am
	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	Carol on Vacation	
28 Tenth Sunday of Pentecost	29	30	31			
Worship Service 8:00 & 10:30 am			Women's AA/NA 9 - 10 am			
			NA 7:00 pm			

and August 2024
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4T WORSHIP - July
HELPERS AT W

)e	Acolyte	10:30 - Cathy Wobser	Malachi Herrmann	Mason Russell	r Eli Conner	Claire Conner	Sessler	Malachi Herrmann	n Mason Russell	Eli Conner	Natalie Thompson
8:00 am Service 10:30 am Service	Lector		Cathy Wobser	Natalie Thompson	Need Volunteer	Candy Beatty	10:30 - Barb Sessler	Cathy Wobser	Gayle Thompson	Natalie Thompson	Jim Bertsch
	Ushers	00 - Guy Miller	David Wobser Denny Sessler	David Wobser Denny Sessler	David Wobser Denny Sessler	David Wobser Denny Sessler	Sally Warner	Bob Troike Bill Bertsch	Bob Troike Bill Bertsch	Bob Troike Bill Bertsch	Bob Troike Bill Bertsch
	Acolyte	Communion Assistant - 8:00 -	Zane Warner	Emma Killingsworth	Mya Smith	Lincoln Smith	l	Drew Killingsworth	Tyler Wiedenheft	Carlie Wiedenheft	Mariska Farlow
	Lector	Communion	Guy Miller	Russ Stephens	Carrie Wiedenheft	Sally Wamer	Communion Assistant - 8:00 -	Erica Miller	Guy Miller	Joyce Patterson	Sally Warner
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	Memorial Flowers	Zathy Wobser & Ca	Greg Norman & Cindy Norman			Craig & Betsy Stierhoff	Wobser & Candy B	Cindy Norman			
	Chancel Flowers	Altar Care for July: Sheryl Miller, Cathy Wobser & Candy Beatty	Larry & Pat Wiedenheft	Dean & Rhonda Matus	Dave & Sally Warner	Rex & Charlene Stierhoff	Altar Care for August: Cathy Wobser & Candy	Amy Wobser Brocco	Shelby Koch	Gary & Bonnie Lieb	Mark & Carrie Wiedenheft
	Date	Altar Care for	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28	Altar C	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25

#### Prayers, Readings and Psalm for the month of July

#### July 7 - Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

**Ezekiel 2:1-5** - The call of Ezekiel

Psalm 123 - Our eyes look to you, O God, until you show us your mercy. (Ps. 123:2)

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 - God's power made perfect in weakness

Mark 6:1-13 - Sending of the Twelve to preach and heal

**Prayer of the Day:** God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### July 14 - Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Amos 7:7-15 - The sign of the plumb line: God's judgment on Israel Psalm 85:8-13 - I will listen to what the LORD God is saying. (Ps. 85:8) Ephesians 1:3-14 - Chosen in Christ to live to the praise of God's glory

Mark 6:14-29 - The death of John the Baptist

**Prayer of the Day:** O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### July 21 - Nineth Sunday of Pentecost

Jeremiah 23:1-6 - From David's line, a righteous shepherd for Israel Psalm 23 - The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1) Ephesians 2:11-22 - Reconciled to God through Christ, our peace Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 - Christ healing the multitudes

**Prayer of the Day:** O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### July 28—Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

2 Kings 4:42-44 - Elisha feeding a hundred people
Psalm 145:10-18 - You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. (Ps. 145:16)
Ephesians 3:14-21 - Prayer for wisdom, strength, and Christ's indwelling
John 6:1-21 - Christ feeding the five thousand

**Prayer of the Day:** Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

