

This Week's Words for Meditation

Jesus, the Word Made Flesh

"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path."

Psalm 119:105

Every time I read this verse, I can't help but hear the song "Thy Word" made popular by Amy Grant. And what I see in my mind's eye is a group of seventh and eighth graders singing that song in the sanctuary of our church. It takes a lot to get seventh and eighth graders excited, but these kids were.

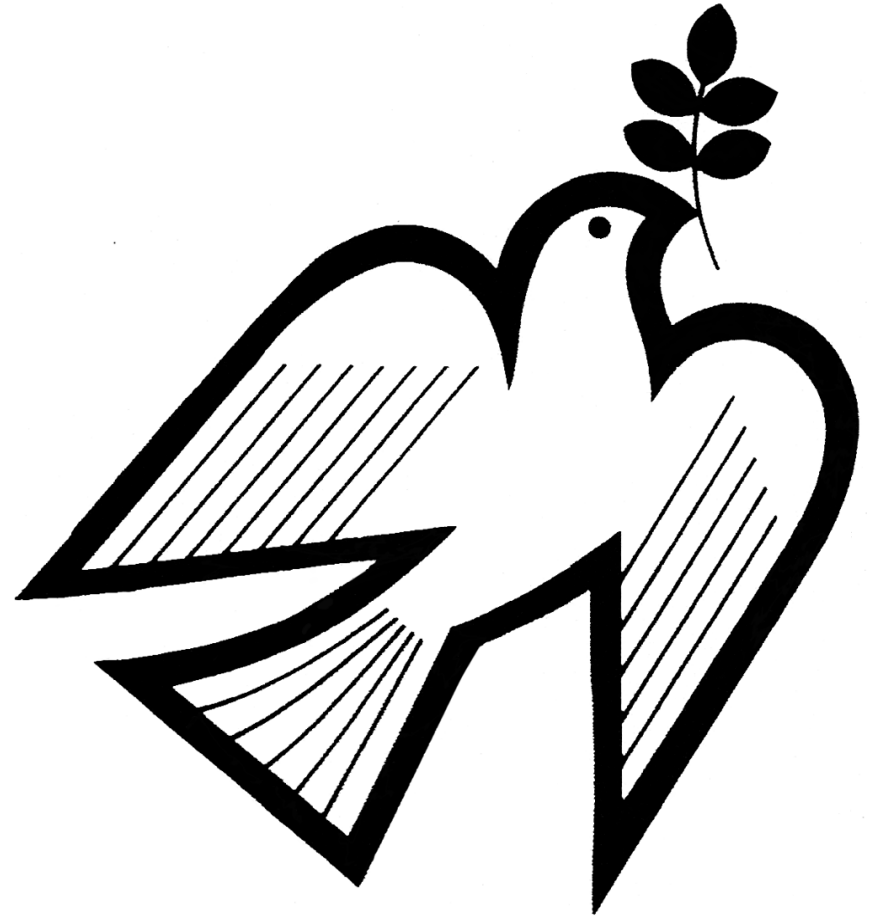
The next time I had them for religion class, I asked them what this psalm meant to them. And they were excited all over again. Singing the song made the psalm alive for them. They were excited about realizing that God's Word is there to guide and protect them in the darkness of our sinful world. God's Word eased their fear.

Have you ever been caught in an unfamiliar room with absolutely no light? Trying to get through a host's home with no light, unaware of the furniture arrangements and doorways, and not knowing even where the light switches are, is an unsettling experience. The first time you bump your shin on a coffee table, you freeze and stand there fearful of moving because you don't know what to expect next. And then your host comes downstairs, switches on the light, and a wave of relief comes over you.

Jesus is God's Word made flesh. Before He came, we were stumbling around in the darkness of our sin, fearful, not knowing what to expect next. But in His light, we see our path. Our path, because of Christ's light shining before us, is to everlasting life in heaven. Sometimes we still stumble and hurt ourselves, but He is there to pick us up and put us back on the path.

Lord Jesus, light of the world, I praise You for Your guidance and strength. Shine on me today as I walk a straight path in Your righteousness. Amen.

Kevin Parviz



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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 21, 2019

WORSHIP THEME: "SITTING AT THE LORD'S FEET"

Welcome Visitors! To all who enter the doors of this church, we extend a special greeting. It is our sincere desire that you will find warmth and fellowship here, and that God may give you a beautiful Sabbath day. Please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex, giving your address (including apartment number) and zip code. Please come and worship with us again!



A Note About the LORD's Supper: The LORD's Supper will be offered at our service this morning. If you have any doubts or questions about your ability and worthiness to receive His Body and Blood in the LORD's Supper (Holy Communion), speak with Pastor before coming forward. Please Note: Should anyone be unable to partake of the wine, we will have a small amount of cups filled with grape juice available in the center of each communion tray for your use. Also, please note that gluten-free wafers are available in a small bowl on the wafer plate for anyone with a gluten allergy.



Altar Flowers are placed to the glory of God.

TODAY'S ORDER OF SERVICE

(The Order of Service for today is Divine Service Setting One and can be found on Page 151 in the Lutheran Service Book.)

+ We Lift Our Hearts In Worship +

Pre-Service Music and Prayer Time (Please observe a quiet time prior to the service to allow for private prayers and meditation.)

+ WELCOME AND GREETING +

Opening Hymn: #609LSB "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (v 1 - 4)

*Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder
Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

*We deserve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim; Here our ills have perfect healing.
Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

*Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh;
Weary souls that lost their way Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh
In His arms that they may live: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession.

Savior, mercy show to me; Grant for all my sins remission.

Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

The Invocation (p. 151) (Spoken)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will
forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

The Confession and Absolution (p. 151) (Spoken)

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and
unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by
what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not
loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as
ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.
For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive
us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and
walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake
forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by
His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit of the Day-Psalm 119:57-64 (Spoken responsively)

The Lord is My Portion

P: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

C: The Lord is my portion; I promise to keep your words.

P: I entreat your favor with all my heart; be gracious to me according to your promise.

C: When I think on my ways, I turn my feet to your testimonies; I hasten and do not delay to keep your commandments.

P: The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love; teach me your statutes!

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.

P: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Praise Hymn: This Is the Feast (p. 155) (Sung)

_This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

_Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

_This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

_This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

_This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

_This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day (p. 156)

The LORD be with you.

(Spoken) **And also with you.**

Let us pray... (*Pastor prays the Collect*) O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(Spoken) **A-men.**

The Readings from God's Word

The Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 18:1-10a (ESV p. 12)

Isaac's Birth Promised

¹ And the LORD appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³ and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵ while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." ¹⁰ The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³ The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1:21-29 (ESV p. 983)

The Preeminence of Christ

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Paul's Ministry to the Church

²⁴ Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵ of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for

you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹ For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (p. 156)

(Sung) ***Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?***

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 (ESV p. 869)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter.

(Spoken) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Martha and Mary

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

This is the Gospel of our LORD.

(Spoken) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Children's Message (Parents are encouraged to bring children forward.)

The Message Hymn: #855LSB "For All the Faithful Women" (v 1, 9, 3, 4)

*For all the faithful women Who served in days of old,
To You shall thanks be given; To all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness In tasks Your wisdom gave.
To You their lives bore witness, Proclaimed Your pow'r to save.*

*We sing of busy Martha, Who toiled with pot and pan
While Mary sat in silence To hear the Word again.
Christ, keep our hearts attentive To truth that You declare,
And strengthen us for service When work becomes our prayer.*

*O God, for saints and servants, Those named and those unknown
In whom through all the ages Your light of glory shone,
We offer glad thanksgiving And fervent prayer we raise
That, faithful in Your service, Our lives may sing Your praise.*

*All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son!
All praise the Holy Spirit, Who binds the Church in one!
With saints who went before us, With saints who witness still,
We sing glad Alleluias And strive to do Your will.*

The Message for the Day: "Sitting at the Lord's Feet"

The Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed (Spoken) (p. 158)

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.

The Gathering of Offerings for the LORD's Work

The Prayers (after each petition, please respond with - "Hear our Prayer")

The LORD's Prayer (p. 162) (Spoken)

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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

The Order of Holy Communion

Prepare to Receive the LORD's Supper/Holy Communion

When we come to the altar during the LORD's Supper/Holy Communion: Our congregation requests the potential communion recipient be baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

We invite you to read and understand 1 Corinthians 11:17-34, Matthew 28:16-20 and Mark 14:23-25 for your understanding of the Holy Communion.

We receive Christ's Body and Blood in, with and under the bread and the wine, for the forgiveness of sins, united in the fellowship of faith and faithful in Christ, Christ's presence and peace.

The Preface (Responses are Sung) (p. 160)

The LORD be with you.

And also 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 Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy LORD, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

(Sung) **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the LORD. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving (p.161)

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Words of Our LORD (p. 162)

Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Proclamation of Christ

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

The Pax Domini (p. 163)

The peace of the LORD be with you always.

(Sung) **A - men.**

The Agnus Dei (p.163)

(Sung) **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

The Distribution

Communion Hymns: #609LSB "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (v 5 - 7)

*Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

*Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

*Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.*

#712LSB "Seek Ye First"

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you!
Allelu, alleluia!*

*Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia!*

*Man does not live by bread alone,
But by ev'ry word
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,
Allelu, alleluia!*

The Post-Communion Canticle (p. 164)

(Sung) **Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell ev'ryone what has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, Allelu - ia.**

The Post-Communion Collect (p. 166)

Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(Sung) **A-men.**

The Benediction (p.166)

The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you His peace.

(Sung) **A-men.**

The Closing Hymn: #922LSB "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

*Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing— You are My own.*

*Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure,
Here you heard My dear Son's story;
Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.*

*Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you;
Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.*

*I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.*

The Sending

Go in peace - Serve the LORD!
Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All members attending this morning's service, please be sure to sign up for Communion. Visitors are asked to please fill in the yellow Communion Registration cards available from the Ushers and in the Pews.

Visitor Information can be found at the Greeters' stand next to the guest book. Please come and worship with us again!

VBS Training Date:

Dates : July 28th 2019

Time : 11:15 AM - 12:45 PM (Pizza lunch provided)

From the Church Secretary: Please notify Barbi of any changes to your email address. Check the church phone directory and make sure ALL your information is up to date.

From Ruth Circle: Please label any products that you leave in the refrigerator. Stickers will be provided in order to write your name and the date on a product. This will help greatly each time we clean out the refrigerators. Thank you.

LWML CHARITIES – The LWML Charities Committee would like your suggestion of charitable organization(s) to consider for the 2019-2020 business year. Charities supported for 2018-2019 were: Alaska Mission for Christ; Bethesda Community Auxiliary; Friends of Youth; LCMS Armed Forces; The Sophia Way. If you have a new suggestion, please provide printed material (brochures, or your description) about the organization, a brief statement of why we should support the organization, and your name/contact information, to Linda Price or Cindy Bushmeyer by SUNDAY, AUGUST 4. Thank you.

A New Coffee Hour Sign-Up Sheet is up on the bulletin board in the Narthex. It covers October 2019 thru September 2020. We encourage any groups to go ahead and sign up. Instructions are posted in the notebook on the Kitchen counter.

Phone Directories as of May 2019 have been sent out to all those having email addresses. I have placed paper copies in several mailboxes for those not having email. Anyone else also wishing a paper copy should leave Barbi a phone message or email. New church directory coming out soon!

Please check out our Lost and Found - There is a tan & white striped basket on the shelf in the first wooden cabinet in the mailbox area. You might want to check to see if any of the items in it are yours.

Prayer Chain Warriors - If you are not already on our prayer chain list, but would like to be, please contact Barbi at bcallahan@allsaints-lcms.com

Room for MANY Volunteers! What is your special skill? Every week our church needs workers doing yardwork, Evangelists, Ushers, Musicians, and Greeters for our services. Please contact Barbi by email, written note or phone message to volunteer.

NEXT WEEK'S SERVANTS - ONE SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M.

Our Ushers: Dave Gasiewicz / George Hargrave
 Our Acolyte: Anatol Deressa
 Our Duty Elder: Floyd Lukecart
 Our Music Worship Leaders: Praise Band & Chris Mueller
 Our Evangelist: Kit Hall
 Our Duty Trustee: Dave Gasiewicz
 Our Greeters: George & Linda Price
 Our Counters: Floyd Lukecart & Joyce Gettel

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 Christopher Mueller
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TODAY

ONE SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M.

Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Worship Service / Holy Communion

TODAY'S SERVANTS

Our Ushers: Myron Bultman / Ross Heimbigner
 Our Acolyte: Liam Lawson
 Our Duty Elder: Dewey Miller
 Our Music Worship Leader: Kim Bench
 Our Evangelist: Benjamin Mercredi
 Our Altar Care: Joyce Gettel & Mickey Snider or Ruth Poe
 Our Duty Trustee: Ross Heimbigner
 Our Greeter: Ruth Poe
 Our Counters: Myron Bultman & Diane Fairbanks

THIS WEEK—LORD WILLING

Monday 6:00 p.m. - Lay Leadership Training
Tuesday 9:30 p.m. - Sewing Group (LSC)
 7:00 p.m. - Board of Directors meeting
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - Yardwork Wed. Crew
 6:30 p.m. - "Bunco & Salad Night" (LSC)
Friday Pastor's Day Off
Saturday 9:30 a.m. - Ruth Circle meeting (LSC)



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SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE AND MERCY WITH ALL!

