

### Please pray for...

**Our Church Family:** Week of 9/7/25 Janice Hanus, Darlene Foster, Helen Higgins Kline 9/3/2025 Kaitlin Burke 8/17/2025 Scott Evrard, Pam Hrivnak, Kathy Barnes, Forest Burke 8/10/2025 Mike Giel



**Our friends and relatives:** Week of: 9/10/25 Laura Buuck Panozzo, Zachary “Zack” Lewis 9/7/2025 Steve and Traci Morris, all the victims of the earthquake in Afghanistan 8/31/25 Will Wagner and Family Richard Marini, For those who perished and those injured and all those impacted by the Annunciation School shooting 8/25/2025 Family of Don Randolph 8/17/2025 Sophia Azelton, John Chiasson, John Schwerdt Feger, Ginger Savage, Tammy Krejckant, YvonneGreg Cambray, Lincoln Alleyne, 8/10/2025 Cheylsie Boettcher, Ashley King, Tony King, Gabriella Gonsalves, Joey King, Joe and Juanita Chacon, Yvonne and Greg Cambray, Mary Roberts and family

**Ongoing church family, friends and relatives:** Bill Lotito, Marilyn Johnson, Phyllis Friedman, Bill Rose, Courtney Adams, JoAnne Coe, Susan Leroux, Dick Vercruysse, Lori Allen, Peggy Torgerson, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Sharon Faulkner, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentinini, Larry Thomas, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Karen Smith, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert

**Please also pray for our** Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Tender Hearts, Ministry of Blue Butterfly Hospice, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders and their families.

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## September 14, 2025

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

**Are You a Visitor or Guest?** We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a **CONNECTION CARD** in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

**Holy Communion**—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

**Large Print Service Slide Binders**—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a binder for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the binder, then return it at the end of worship.

**Hearing Assistance** – To connect to the sound system, please download the AUDIO-FETCH app, (see barcode) and connect to the **audiofetchexpress** wifi on your cellphone. Refer all questions to Phil Deel.



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Steve Wuckert





# SUNDAY STAR

## Volunteers

### TODAY'S 9:00am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETERS:** Kim and Darrin Simon      **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin

**READER:** Jennifer Fischer

**Acolyte:** Tobias Knollenberg

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Pat Freeman, Joyce Jandola, Hal Jandola, Kathy Jacobsen

### TODAY'S 10:45am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETER:** Pat Isom      **BULLETINS:** Joyce Holdrich

**READER:** Sandi Witzke

**OFFERING:** Major Hatchell, \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Corrye Hatchell, Connie Wuckert, Ronette Rogus, Steve Wuckert

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**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:** **Early:** Barb Graham      **Late:** Jim and Jane Anderson

**FLOWER DELIVERY TO HOMEBOUND:** Mr. Pugsley Addams

**SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT WEEK ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX**

### TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the **bold, black** print.

**BIBLE READING:** Genesis 21:1-3, 22: 1-4; John 1:29

**10:45 HYMNS** - **OPENING:** ELW 641 (vs 1, 2,4)    **SERMON:** ELW 818    **SENDING:** ELW 661

### Church Council Members

You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.

**President**—Theda Bunker, **Vice-President**—Phil Deel,

**Secretary**—Jeanne Gaston, **Treasurer**—Shawn Hernandez.

**At large:** Beau Beaudine, Mike Felt, Richard Schnur, Jan Schroeder, Lisa Mohr, Mandy Knollenberg

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### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Monday—Sep 15

9:00a—Food Pantry

#### Tuesday—Sep 16

10:00a—Bible Study

#### Wednesday—Sep 17

9:00a—Food Pantry

2:00p—Council Meeting

6:30p—Chancel Choir Resumes

#### Thursday - Sep 18

9:00a—Quilters

9:00a—Men's Breakfast @ IHOP

5:30p—Trinity's Praise

#### Friday—Sep 19

*Office Closed*

6:00p—SPAGHETTI DINNER!

#### Saturday - Sep 20

*Office Closed*

#### Sunday - Sep 21

9:00a—Celebration Service

9:45 Sunday School

10:45a—Traditional Service



### THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

Sept 14—William & Kristen Freitag 50 yrs!

Sept 16—Vicky & Keith Claypool 58 yrs!

John & Joyce Holdrich 58 yrs!

Ken & Barb Moore 53 yrs!

Sept 17—Ken & Carmy Witzke 60 yrs!

Sept 18—Albert & Sonja Rozier 54 yrs!



Today's altar flowers are  
presented by  
John and Joyce Holdrich  
**In Honor of their**  
**58th Wedding Anniversary**



Today's communion wine is presented  
by Rosemarie Conklin  
**In memory of her father**  
**Edmund Pawliczak**



### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Sept 14—Greg Kobliska

Sept 15—Barb Backstrom

Patricia Wachter

Sept 16—Jim Anderson

Julianna Mancini

Sept 17—Richard Parks

Sonja Rozier

Sept 18—Ed Barnes

Neil Carlson

Major Hatchell

Vic Larson

Sept 19—Tom Birdsall

Albert Rozier

Sept 20—Vicky Claypool

Julie Doeringsfeld

Renee Kanagy

Sue Preece



### Our Financial Stewardship

**DONATIONS YTD:** Actual vs needed (000s)

AUG Actual \$365.9

Needed \$404.0

Over/(Under)(\$ 38.1)

**ACTUAL NET YTD:**

AUG 25 (\$21.3)

AUG 24 \$12.6

Diff: (\$33.9)

**15 year Mortgage**

on 1/1/25 \$213.3

on 8/31/25 \$106.8

Reduction \$106.4 31.5



### In-person Attendance

Sept. 7, 2025— 222—Last year 2024— 211



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2025 DATES

AUGUST 16  
SEPTEMBER 13  
OCTOBER 11  
NOVEMBER 15  
DECEMBER 13



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Stop being ashamed of  
how many times you've  
fallen and start being proud  
of how many times you've  
gotten up.

Keep my anger from  
becoming meanness.

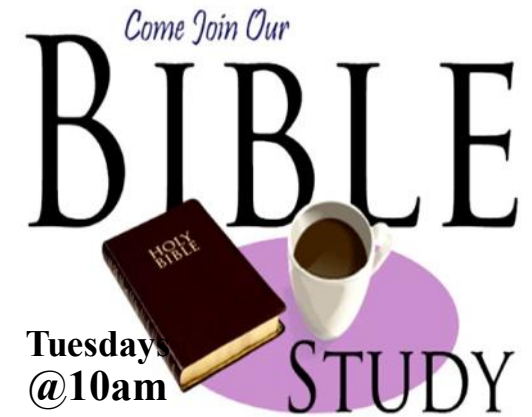
Keep my sorrow from  
collapsing into self-pity.

Keep my heart soft enough to  
keep breaking. Keep my anger  
turned towards justice, not  
cruelty.

Remind me that all of this,  
every bit of it, is for love.

Keep me fiercely kind.  
By Laura Jean Truman

I WILL NEVER REGRET  
GETTING OLD...  
I KNOW TOO MANY  
PEOPLE WHO NEVER  
HAD THAT PRIVILEGE.





### Council Highlights from August 2025

**MOTIONS:** 1. To accept the minutes from June 2025 was carried. 2. A motion to spend up to \$500 for two shelves for Food Pantry storage, was carried. 4. A motion to spend up to \$3800 for AC to cover 4 room, was carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Pew adjustments have been completed to make room for movement of the piano. Food Pantry: Has serviced 191 families this month (1500-1700 individuals) with 24 new families. Additional storage is needed. Council requested a cutback in food orders so less storage required.

**FI NANCE:** A \$60,000 CD is maturing in September with \$3300 accumulated interest earned.

Fidelity will reinvest the \$60,000 in a 12 mo. non-callable CD at the best rate.

A \$58,000 CD will also mature in later September. Information will be presented at the next meeting.

Our church mortgage, from the original \$2.3M+, is now approximately \$113,000, due to the additional payments that have been made throughout the life of the mortgage.

Through July our donations are \$5225 below our spending, which includes the Fellowship balance of \$4014. This is \$25,810 below last year.

Through July, envelope offerings are \$20,273.54 below last year, plate offerings are up \$3656.47 and mortgage offerings are even. Total income is down \$17,406 compared to last year, which is a 5% decrease.

Through July, our expenses are \$13,451.41 below our 2025 spending plan but above last year by \$9591.62, which is a 2.9% increase.

**PROPERTY:** AC is not working in the Food Pantry where new shelves are needed. Toilets have been fixed at no cost due to lifetime warranty. Items for future discussion: cover for courtyard; quote for courtyard drainage issues.

**MUTUAL MINISTRY:** No meeting.

**YOUR INPUT: THOUGHTS, CONCERNS, WHAT ARE YOU HEARING FROM THE CONGREGATION**—most of the feedback on the one summer service was positive.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCES:** Thank you received from: Back Pack Kidz; Novus Way for \$250 donation, Shae Taylor for \$1000 scholarship, Jesus Loves You Ministry for the support given to them.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** Bill Rose and Don Beck.

Next meeting 9/17/2025



The September Ladies Luncheon will be on  
**Friday, September 26, 2025**  
at **Cracker Barrel** at **NOON**.

Janet Nuse is the September hostess and there will be a signup sheet in the narthex. **FYI**, one of the gift cards we sell is for Cracker Barrel!



**Spaghetti Dinner with Salad and Bread**

**Friday, September 19, 2025**

**Dinner will be served at 6:00pm**

**PLEASE SIGN UP to bring dessert for a dessert bar**

**Free Will Offering**

**Proceeds from the Free Will Offering will go to our Youth Groups**

**Sign Up Sheets are at the Welcome center**



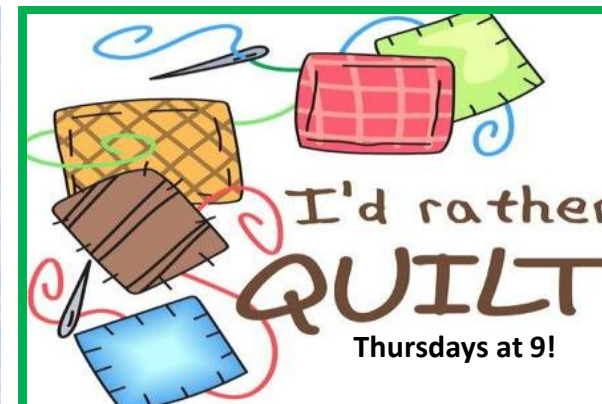
Dear God,

I bet it is very hard for you to love  
everybody in the whole world.

There are only four people in our  
family and I can never do it.

Julie, age 7

Source: Holy Humor Sunday Smiles, p. 67



**MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL**

**Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> 4-6pm**

for a "youth group meeting". We will have a topic for discussion, play some games, and have some snacks. Again, this is open to all middle and high school students.

We are hoping both of these things  
will become monthly gathering for our youth!