Service of Holy Communion & Baptism Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost October 20, 2024



INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The congregation stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, I one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

P. Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

The congregation is seated. Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P. God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

Congregation stands

GATHERING HYMN Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak ELW 676

GREETING

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

KYRIE

A. In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

A. For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

A. For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

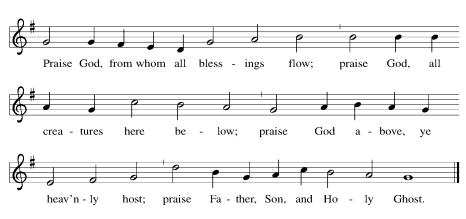
A. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

A . Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Congregation is seated

GENEROSITY IMPACT MOMENT

Kristina Heeren

WORD

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-7

¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:
²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
³Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.
⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

A. Word of God, word of life. **C. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 104 :1-9, 24, 35b (read responsively)

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul; O LORD my God, you are very great! You are clothed with majesty and splendor.

 ²You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak and stretch out the heavens like a tent.
 ³You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above;

you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.

- ⁴You make the winds your messengers
- and flames of fire your servants.

⁵You set the earth upon its foundations,

so that from now until forever it shall never be moved.

- ⁶You covered it with the deep as with a garment;
 - the waters stood above the mountains.

⁷At your rebuke the waters fled, scattered by your voice of thunder.

⁸They went up into the mountains and descended down to the valleys, to the place where you assigned them.

⁹You set the limits that they should not pass; never shall they return to cover the earth again.

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. ^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

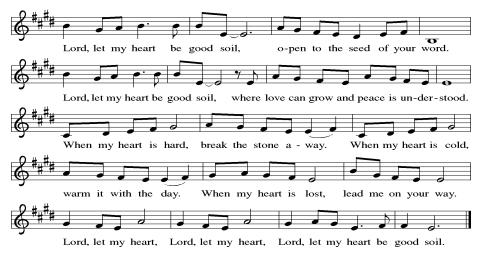
⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. A. Word of God, word of life. **C. Thanks be to God.**

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

Children & Youth are invited forward for a special sermon time with Pastor Peggy.

Congregation stands

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

P. The holy gospel according to Mark. C. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

P. The gospel of the Lord. C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Congregation is seated

SERMON

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

P. God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: I present Claudia Alice Fusco for baptism.

P. Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have *Claudia* baptized into Christ? *Parents' Response:* I do.

P. As you bring *Claudia* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that *Claudia* may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

P. Do you promise to help *Claudia* grow in the Christian faith and life? *Parents' Response:* I do.

P. Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *Claudia* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors' Response: I do.

P. People of God, do you promise to support *Claudia* and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C. We do.

Congregation stands

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P. I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? *Parents & Sponsors' Response:* I renounce them.

P. Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? *Parents & Sponsors' Response:* I renounce them.

P. Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? *Parents & Sponsors' Response:* I renounce them.

P. Do you believe in God the Father?

C. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P. Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P. The Lord be with you.

- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Congregation is seated

BAPTISM

P. *Claudia* Alice I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

C. You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

P. Let us pray... We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughter new birth and raise her to eternal life. Sustain *Claudia* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

P. *Claudia Alice,* child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

WELCOME

A lighted candle is given to the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:

A. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify God in heaven.

A. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C. We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Congregation stands

HYMN OF THE DAY On Eagle's Wings ELW 787

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A. Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. *A brief silence.*

A. Holy One, we give thanks for all servant leaders of the church. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons with humble wisdom and ground them in your love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A. Creative One, we give thanks for the delicate balance of the natural world. Kindle in us a spirit of caring strength in the preservation of habitats, food availability, and centers of refuge, that all wildlife may thrive. God of grace, hear our prayer.

A. Empowering One, fill the leaders of governments with a spirit of service that prioritizes those on the margins due to job loss, underemployment, unsafe working conditions, and immigration status. May economic equity be achieved for all people. God of grace, **our prayer**.

A. Restoring One, send your angels to watch over, rescue, and protect those who are injured or ill. Nurse those who suffer hardship, disease, injury, or difficulty with your comfort and peace. We pray especially for.....those we now say aloud... and those we hold in our hearts... God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A. Abiding One, you call pastors to shepherd the congregation toward faithful living as servants and followers of Jesus. Inspire all ordained ministers and seminarians to ministry that challenges, engages, and comforts those in their care. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A. Saving One, we give thanks for the disciples James and John and all saints who have faithfully served you. We rejoice in a promised place at the feast of victory that we receive by your grace alone. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

P. Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P. The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C. And also with you.

P. Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace.

Congregation is seated

CHOIR ANTHEM By the Water and the Spirit *Regi Stone, Randy Cox*

MEAL

OFFERTORY INVITATION

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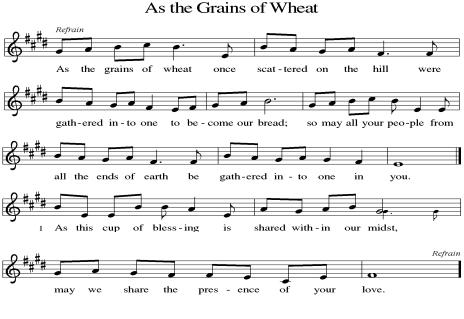
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Congregation stands

OFFERTORY SONG



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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A. Let us pray...God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

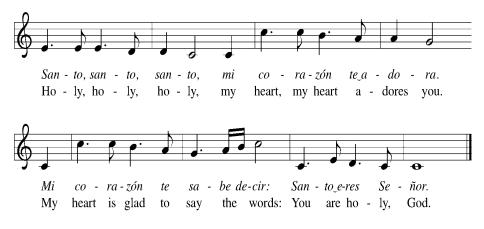
DIALOGUE & PREFACE

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.

- P. Lift up your hearts.
- C. We lift them to the Lord.
- P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy (Sing 2x—English 1st time; Spanish 2nd time)



Text: Argentine traditional Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

Congregation kneels or is seated

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P. Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast. By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all

in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

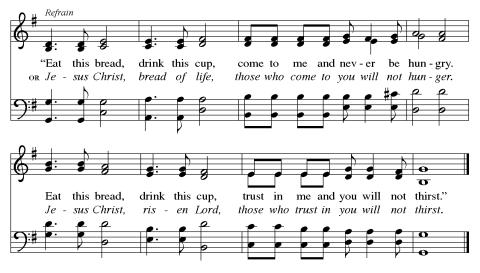
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Believing in the real presence of Christ, we practice Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to Communion this morning. Please come forward, guided by the Ushers, to receive the bread and wine. Children are invited to the table for a blessing.

Gluten free and traditional wafers are available, please note this to Pastor Peggy when you come up. The bread is dairy and egg free. Grape juice is available in the second communion plate. As you return to your seat via the side aisles you can place your empty cup in the baskets on either side.

P. Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

COMMUNION SONG



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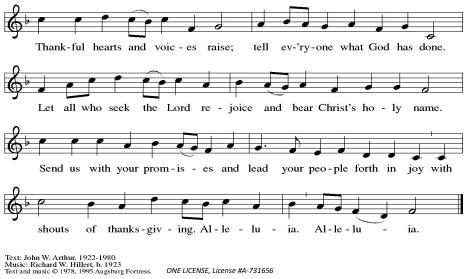
After all have received Communion the congregation stands.

TABLE BLESSING

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. Let us pray...Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P. God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN	The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve	ELW 551
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DISMISSAL

A. Go in peace. Follow Jesus. C. Thanks be to God.

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Announcements for October 20th, 2024

Welcome to Holy Counselor Lutheran Church. May you experience the joy of God's presence in our worship!

If today is your first time worshiping at Holy Counselor, please be sure to fill out the "Guest Book" on the table in the narthex and take a welcome bag.

Please ask our ushers any questions you may have regarding worship this morning. Large print bulletins are available.

Worship is live streamed to our church Facebook page, but the camera is pointed away during Communion and is not on the children when they come forward during A Time for the Child in Us All.

Altar flowers are in celebration of Lincoln Luedtke's birthday, from mom, Lawnie.

Today we welcome as a child of God, Claudia Alice Fusco daughter of Jordan and Giuseppe Fusco. Robert DeGregorio III and Sarah Maulydiana will serve as her sponsors. Please join us in welcoming Claudia Alice as a newly baptized member of the church universal and Holy Counselor Lutheran Church's family.

Volunteers for today's Worship

Lay Asst.	Jump in during worship!!
Comm. Asst.	Jump in before worship!!
Ushers	Jump in before worship!!
Tech	Jump in during worship!!
Tellers	Jump in after worship!!

Volunteers for next Sunday, October 27th

Damian Vince
TBD-sign up on Sign Up Central Board
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***** Join us for refreshments after worship*****

Over the next several weeks, our congregation is going to focus on financial stewardship for 2025. We will reflect on the mission of HCLC and the importance of financial support for this mission by each member and friend of the congregation.

On Generosity Sunday, November 10th, each friend and member of HCLC will be invited to submit a pledge card as we dedicate our pledges for the coming year. As you hear people provide their Generosity Impact Moments during the coming weeks you are going to be asked to do two things:

- First, to prayerfully discern either **making your first pledge** to HCLC, or if you've pledged in the past, to **increase your giving** by 1 or 2% of your household income.
- Second, consider **making your gifts using Tithely or Venmo** to help the church with sustained giving. We can help you set this up, just let the church office know!

With your support you are helping to spread God's love and Create a Bigger Umbrella!



THIS WEEK AT HOLY COUNSELOR

Sunday, October 20: Sunday School, 8:45-9:15am Worship w/Communion and Baptism, 9:30am Battle of the Hymns Challenge begins Gotham FC Soccer Game, Red Bull Arena, Harrison, NJ, 3pm Monday, October 21: Pastor's Community Office Hours, Daily Bean, 10-12pm Spending Plan Meeting, 6:30pm Wednesday, October 23: Adult Ed, Zoom, 10am Mindfulness Walk, Maple Grange Park, 4-5pm Study Skills for Scripture, Zoom, 6:30-8pm Friday, October 25: Trick or Trail, HCLC candy table, Maple Grange, 2-7pm Saturday, October 26: Sisters in Prayer, Zoom, 8:30am Sunday, October 27: Sunday School, 8:45-9:15am Worship w/Communion and Baptism, 9:30am Choir Practice following worship Confirmation Class, 6-7:30pm

Battle of the Hymns: TODAY begins our Battle of the Hymns Challenge! Head down the hall to **vote your favorite hymns forward to next week. \$1=1 vote and you can vote as many times as you want using cash or Venmo (ex. \$10=10 votes).** If you want to use Venmo, put a note in the envelope with the amount to be counted. The winning hymn will be sung in worship on November 10th.

Advent Bible Study: Advent will be here before you know it and you're invited to participate in an Advent devotional study! We will meet for 4 Wednesdays on Zoom at 10am and 7pm, beginning Wednesday, November 27th. If you would like to participate, please let Pam Kucks know by tomorrow, Monday, October 21st.

<u>Pastor's Community Office Hours:</u> Pastor Peggy will be at **The Daily Bean** tomorrow, Monday, October 21st from 10am-12pm. All are welcome to drop in for a visit as she connects with the community.

<u>Mindfulness Walk</u>: Join Pastor Peggy for a rejuvenating, mindfulness walk at Maple Grange Park this Wednesday, October 23rd from 4-5 pm. We will meet in the first parking lot and determine our route based on the group. You're invited to wear your 'Live Generously T-shirt'. All ages are welcome!

<u>Trick or Trail</u>: We will be having a church table handing out candy at Vernon's Halloween Trick or Trail on Friday, October 25th. Set up begins at 2 pm and the

last group comes through at 7pm. Thank you to everyone who donated candy, no more donations are needed.

<u>All Saints Sunday:</u> Sunday, November 3rd we will remember all the Saints who have died and honor their memory. If you have a loved one who has died in the past year whose name and dates you would like listed in the bulletin, please email Pastor Peggy and the church office to include them by Monday, October 28th.

<u>Reconciling in Christ Vote</u>: Save the date for Sunday, October 27th as we vote to officially become a Reconciling in Christ congregation. We will have a brief congregational meeting following worship to approve our statement that was surveyed this summer. Please make every effort to attend this important vote.

<u>Auction of the Gifts</u>: Do you have a special gift or talent? Maybe you sew, organize well, or are a talented photographer. Or maybe you love to cook, have a vacation house to lend, or another idea altogether! It is time to start thinking and share your gift for the Auction of the Gifts & Oktoberfest Dinner Fundraiser on Saturday, November 2nd from 5—8 pm. Here's how it works: you donate your gift and then the item is auctioned off to the highest bidder while we all enjoy dinner, community, and fun. Contact Diane Rossi to donate your gifts today!

<u>Food Pantry:</u> The Food Pantry is low on Jello, fruit snacks, rice, canned fruit, canned carrots, canned green beans, pasta sauce, hamburger helper, canned soup, coffee, macaroni & cheese, jelly, snacks and juice boxes for children (packages of individual items), 4-packs of toilet paper, dish detergent, and body wash. You can always bring donations of canned goods, paper goods, and hygiene products. All donations can be placed in the blue bin by the sanctuary doors. Thank you!

<u>Clean Up Thank You:</u> Thank you to everyone who helped with the street clean up! 24 bags of garbage and recycling were collected across 2 roads! Such an important part of taking care of God's creation.

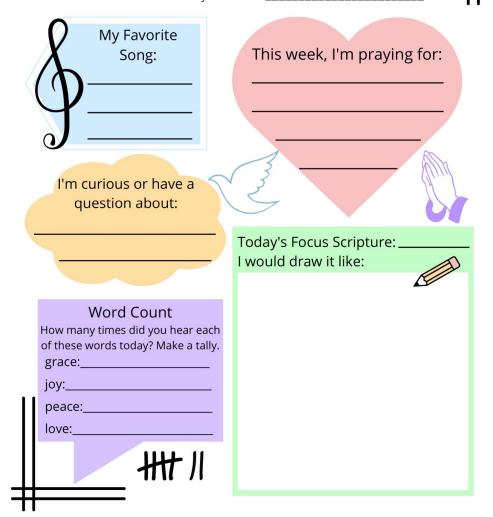
<u>Giving Statements:</u> The Year-to-Date 3rd quarter giving statements went out this week. Please take a look and confirm for your records. Thank you for generosity and continued support of our mission!

For God's Children of all ages!





Sunday's Date: _____





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MISSION STATEMENT

As Children of God, we are called to share and serve Christ's love and bring God's word to all.

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Holy Counselor is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Munsee people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

