

July 20, 2025

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Listening to Jesus is an act of love.

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you show hospitality to another person?

Even when we are busy, we need to take time to listen to Jesus, as Mary did. If you're not in

the practice of taking a few moments each day to hear God speak to you, consider setting time aside to do so. Turn off all electronics and other distracting noises. Take a few deep breaths and relax. Sit quietly for a few minutes. Finish with this prayer: Lord help me not to be worried or distracted by many things and listen to you. Amen.



IT IS GREAT TO HAVE YOU IN WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!

Here at Bethlehem Lutheran, we believe in the teachings of the Bible as taught by Jesus and the apostles and strive to live our lives in accord with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are all fellow sinners who live together in the mercy and grace of Jesus. Jesus is the heart and center of all that we say and do as we serve Him and live in Christian love with one another.

If you would like to learn more about this church, or are looking for a church family, please talk to our pastor or one of the ushers or elders. They would be happy to talk with you! Regardless of whether you join or not, we welcome you and your family to worship with us any time! Please sign our guest register in the lobby and fill out the

Communication Card in the pew and place in the offering plate. Please include your local contact information and email. Members, please fill in your name for attendance. Thank you!

Should you have something we could privately pray about for you this week, we invite you to let our pastor or one of our members know so we can seek the Lord's face together.

Come visit us again sometime soon and may the Lord richly bless you!



ATTENDING COMMUNION AT BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of Bethlehem Lutheran Church LCMS and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are invited to speak with Pastor Karl Glander.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 20, 2025

PRELUDE

+ ORDER OF WORSHIP +

HYMN OF INVOCATION

576 MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

 My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain

ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

- 2 When darkness veils His lovely face,
 I rest on His unchanging grace;
 In ev'ry high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain
- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood Support me in the raging flood;
 When ev'ry earthly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

(Please rise)

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

INVOCATION

PIn the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

CAmen.

EXHORTATION

P 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.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for selfexamination.)

CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

LSB 151

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ABSOLUTION

PAlmighty 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.

CAmen.

(Please be seated)

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

RESPONSIVE PSALM

The LORD Is My Light and My Salvation

P The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

Psalm 27

LSB 151

P Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

• One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

 P For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the LORD. P Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, LORD, do I seek."

 P Hide not your face from me.
 Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help.
 Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

G For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

but the LORD will take me in.

P Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence. P I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD

in the land of the living!

C Wait for the LORD;

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

(Please rise)

<u>KYRIE</u>

LSB 152

PIn peace let us pray to the Lord.

- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- CLord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C**Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
 C Lord, have mercy.

PHelp, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

CAmen.

*□*THIS IS THE FEAST *□ LSB 155 G*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.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

PLet us pray.

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.

CAmen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 18:1–14 ¹ The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He 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 ³and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵while 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." ⁶And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." ⁷And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸Then 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.

⁹They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." ¹⁰The 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. ¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴Is 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."

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Colossians 1:21–29

²¹You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³if 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

²⁴Now 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, ²⁵of 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, ²⁶the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷To 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. ²⁸Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

(Please rise)

ℐ<u>ALLELUIA AND VERSE</u>ℐ

CAlleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPELLuke 10:38–42P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the
tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Martha and Mary

³⁸Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰But 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." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴²but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON HYMN

537 BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

2 Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
 Fair is the moonlight,
 Bright the sparkling stars on high;

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the sky.

 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
 Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration
 Now and forevermore be Thine!

<u>SERMON</u> "<u>When God's Word Gets a Laugh</u>"

. . . Pastor Karl

(Please rise)

NICENE CREED

CI 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy
- **G** Hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

Be Thou My Vision

. . . Flutist: Nancy Rybak

<u>□OFFERTORY RESPONSE</u> □

805 <u>PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL</u> <u>BLESSINGS FLOW</u>

(Please rise)

1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

PLift up your hearts.CWe lift them to the Lord.

PLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Clt is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P 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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

∫<u>SANCTUS</u>∫

LSB 161

G Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

- Hosanna. Hosanna.
- Hosanna in the highest.
- Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

PBlessed 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.

CAmen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

POur 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
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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."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

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

PO Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

 Cour 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.

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
CAmen.

AGNUS DELA
 LSB 163
 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.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

632 O JESUS, BLESSED LORD, TO THEE

- 1 O Jesus, blessèd Lord, to Thee My heartfelt thanks forever be, Who hast so lovingly bestowed On me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is come to me this day! My Savior dwells within my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

628 YOUR TABLE I APPROACH

- Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
 Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins
 And mourn their wretched bands;
 A contrite heart is sure to find
 Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me, Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery;
 God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.
- **5** O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined

May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail

 To thank You day and night
 For Your true body and true blood,
 O God, my peace and light.

(Please rise)

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

PLet us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

CAmen.

(Please be seated)

HYMN TO DEPART

685 LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure, Through a world that would deceive us And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above, Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding. Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus And with patience bear our cross. Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss. Though today we sow no laughter, We shall reap celestial joy; All discomforts that annoy Shall give way to mirth hereafter. Jesus, here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death He conquered death, He will free us from destruction, Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion That would lead us into sin; And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven. Jesus, here with You I die, There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead That to life we may awaken. Jesus, You are now our head. We are Your own living members; Where You live, there we shall be In Your presence constantly, Living there with You forever. Jesus, let me faithful be, Life eternal grant to me.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

PThe Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

CAmen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE



Organist: Holly Bell Flutist: Nancy Rybak The Sound System: Jeff Kirsch Elder: Doug Johnson Altar Guild: Emmy Larson, Betty Willis Ushers: Greg Murray & Klaus Naumann Reader: Greg Murray



Missouri Synod

Signup Sheets in the Fellowship Hall. This is your chance to get involved in worship.



Altar Flowers-

Celebrating birthdays this week: 7/23: Lou Schafer, 7/26: Joanne Holt

Celebrating anniversaries this week: 7/25: Ruthann & Don Thorton *(60yrs)*, 7/**26:** Betty & Ralph Willis *(32yrs)*



Food and Fellowship: Please join us immediately after the service. We meet in

the fellowship hall at the rear of the church before Bible study. The refreshments this week are from Tobeck's. Thank you!

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall if you would like to sponsor a week.

Our Response to God's Love

Worship Service – 37 Adult Bible Class – 11

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CALENDAR July 20, 2025 – July 27, 2025

TODAY: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service w/Holy Communion
SUNDAY 11:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Pastor
July 20 11:30 a.m. Sunday School
4:00p.m.-6:00p.m. VBS Kick-off

MONDAY: July 21

TUESDAY: July 22 WEDNESDAY: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study w/Pastor July 23

THURSDAY: July 24

FRIDAY: July 25

SATURDAY: July 26

NEXT 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
SUNDAY 11:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Pastor
July 27 11:30 a.m. Sunday School



<u>COME JOIN US</u> July 28- August 1 9:00a.m.- 12:00p.m.

This summer, we're going on an epic adventure through Australia, and you're invited! We'll encounter amazing animals, lush landscapes, stunning sea life, and wondrous wilderness. And most importantly, we'll be

guided by our Savior, Jesus, who tells us, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" in our theme verse John 14:6.

Epic Australian Adventure VBS Lessons include:

Lesson One: God Calls Moses - Exodus 3

Lesson Two: God Leads His People to the Promised Land - Joshua 3–4

Lesson Three: The Parable of the Good Samaritan - Luke 10:25–37

Lesson Four: Peter and John Race to the Tomb - John 20:1– 10, 19–20

Lesson Five: Jesus Ascends to the Father - Luke 24:44–53; Acts 1:1–11



Our Special Prayers and Intercessions

Lou - in Cedarbrook long-term care Matt – stroke Theresa - stroke Chris - lung cancer **Sarah** – stomach issues **Tim** – health issues Kurt – health issues Jack - fighting depression, lung issues JoAnn – heart issues Tamara – medical issues **Susan** – recovering from cancer Chade – guidance Steven - guidance Ashton – esophageal atresia Sandi - Hodgkins and autoimmune disease **Cammy** – brain tumor stable Cannon – cancer **Dorothy** – in memory care Haven - in remission Gail - running tests for leukemia **Edison** – health issues Ava – cancer Holly - start immunotherapy Sharon - cancer Joe - stage 4 lung cancer, hospitalized **Bob** – need shots in eyes Holly – needs pacemaker, hernia repaired, found a mass in her stomach area Family with children who have strayed Millie - bad fall Lisa – family struggling in many ways Sal Jr. – cancer Sal - health issues & now worried about his son Carol - heart, bursitis, eye mostly blind in one eye Chip - physical health and rehab Peggy – after rehab can use cane and walker now Sharon - need rest and stop worrying Annette - ductal carcinoma in situ Paul – strengthening of faith Judy – cancer Joe - stage 4 lung cancer **Bob** – need shots in eyes Nicole – broke lower leg **Pat** – lot of health issues Holly – needs pacemaker, hernia repaired, found a mass in her stomach area Tara – health

Dustin – alcohol rehab **Brad** – heart attack **Pat** – health issues **Dave** – health issues Becky - cancer Ken - cancer Lidia – health issues TA – spiritual guidance and removal of all temptation Belland/Calcagino - family issues Jenn - cancer **Yvonne** – health issues David - cancer, uncontrolled diabetes Rick – stage 3 lung cancer Sean - God knows Lvnne – health issues Ron - hospitalized **Pam** – health issues **Terri** – health issues **Joe** – health issues **Jessica** – health issues **Sam** – health issues Paul - strengthening of faith Judy – cancer Larry - cancer Cole - cancer Anonymous - cancer Nicole – broke lower leg **Pat** – lot of health issues Ken - massive heart attack in January, still in hospital with major brain damage Les – hernia surgery and kidney dialysis **Donna** – health issues, in hospital Stormie – motorhome and car burnt, lost it all Mary – entered into the presence of Jesus, please pray for the Schoop Family Joan - stroke Ron - prostate cancer Andy – doing great after heart procedure Barbara - had to remove part of her colon Linda – open heart surgery Texas - catastrophic floods Martha-hospitalized for high blood pressure Kenny – low oxygen and heart problems Kevin and family - leaving for Guatemala Holly – going through a lot

*Please note: Those who are named in our special prayers and intercessions list are placed there by members of our congregation. St. Paul tells us in 1Timothy 2:1-2: "I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior." Those named remain joyfully in our prayers until the person who requested our prayers removes them or until the Lord resolves their need. Therefore, as St. Paul tells us in Philippians 4:6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.