



Sunday, July 28, 2019
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

July 28, 2019 • 9:00 & 11:00 Service

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord—is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

PRELUDE	(9:00)	<i>Hymn Medley</i>	Melanie Chadwick, pianist
	(11:00)	<i>Prayer</i>	Humperdinck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.

God of mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
against one another,
and against the earth entrusted to our care.
We are worried and distracted by many things,
and we fail to love you above all else.
We store up treasures for ourselves
and turn away from our neighbors in need.
Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt,
 God made us alive together with Christ,
 forgiving us † all our trespasses
 by taking our sins to the cross.
 For freedom Christ has set us free:
 Rejoice in this good news!
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Day by Day*

ELW 790

GREETING

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

KYRIE

1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 Chris - te e - lei - son.
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading



Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.
 1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.
 2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.



Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.
 It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.
 Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

Refrain



Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.



Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:20–32

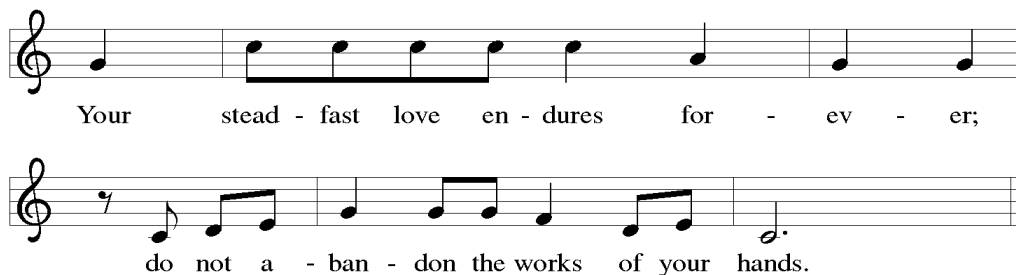
(Please turn to the Old Testament, page 15, in your pew Bible.)

In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138



Psalms 138:8

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¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

²**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;**
for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things. R

³When I called, you | answered me;
you increased my | strength within me.

⁴**All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,**
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.

⁵They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,
that great is the glory | of the LORD.

⁶**The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly,**
perceiving the haughty | from afar. R

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.

⁸**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;**
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands. R

SECOND READING: Colossians 2:6–15

(Please turn to the New Testament, page 214, in your pew Bible.)

Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 11: 1-13

(Please turn to page 74 in the New Testament of your pew Bibles.)

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter:

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

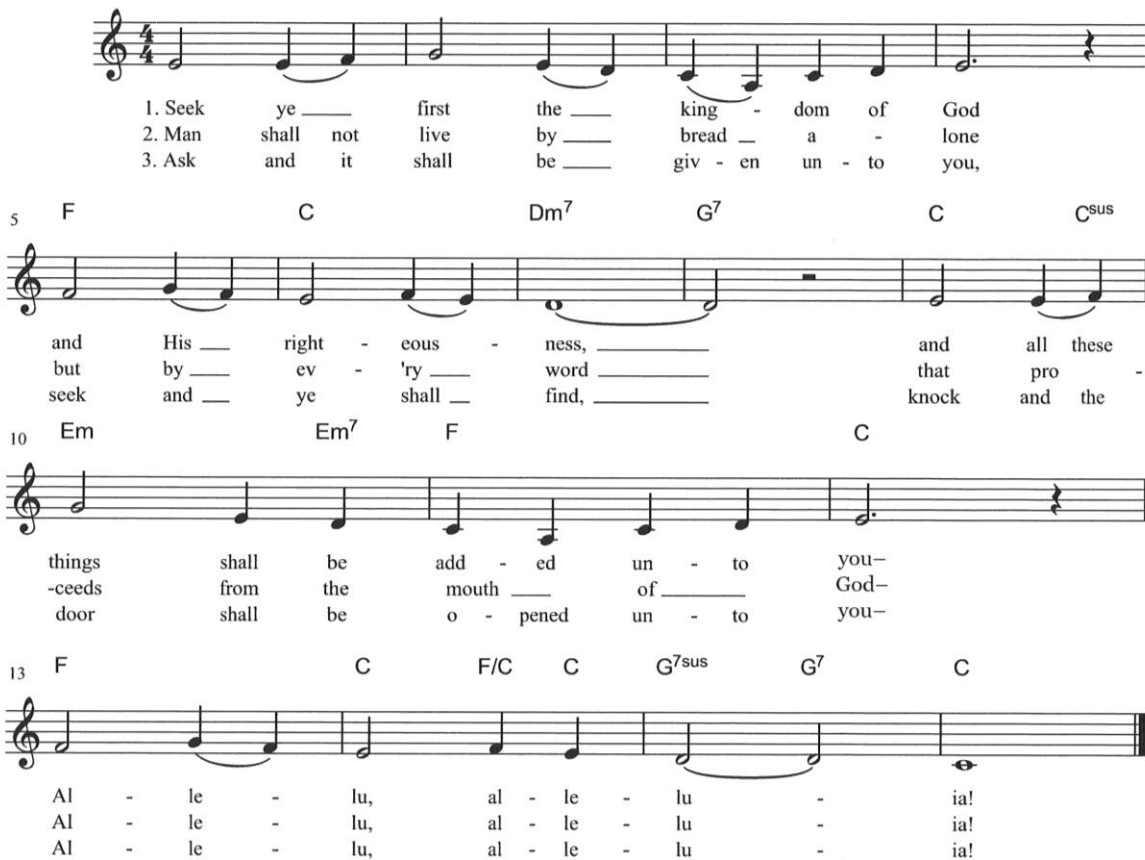
SERMON

Pastor Will Kittinger

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

SEEK YE FIRST



1. Seek ye _____ first the _____ king - dom of God
2. Man shall not live by _____ bread _____ a - lone
3. Ask and it shall be _____ giv - en un - to you,

5 F C Dm⁷ G⁷ C C^{sus}
and His _____ right - eous - ness, _____ and all these
but by _____ ev - 'ry _____ word _____ that pro -
seek and _____ ye shall _____ find, _____ knock and the

10 Em Em⁷ F C
things shall be add - ed un - to you -
-ceeds from the mouth _____ of _____ God -
door shall be o - pened un - to you -

13 F C F/C C G^{7sus} G⁷ C
Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

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.

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. Amen.

**Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:

peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.

God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

(Names from our congregation...)

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set.

OFFERTORY

Breathe a Prayer

MacDonald/Dennis

Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson, duettists

I'll breathe a prayer in the quiet of this moment; I'll pause and wait for the comfort of Your Presence. I'll turn my eyes to the heavens for Your Wisdom, and ache in need for a vision of Your Kingdom. Who am I that You are mindful of my ways, and yet You love me, You call me. You want me to be with You. I'll breathe a prayer in the quiet of this moment; I humbly bow in the Glory of Your Presence. I pour my heart in the chalice of Your Mercy. You stir my soul with the piercing of Your searching; I cast my cares upon the Altar of Your Grace. and then You hold me, forgive me, invite me to be with You. Who am I that You are mindful of my ways, and yet You love me, You call me, You want me to be with You.

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The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

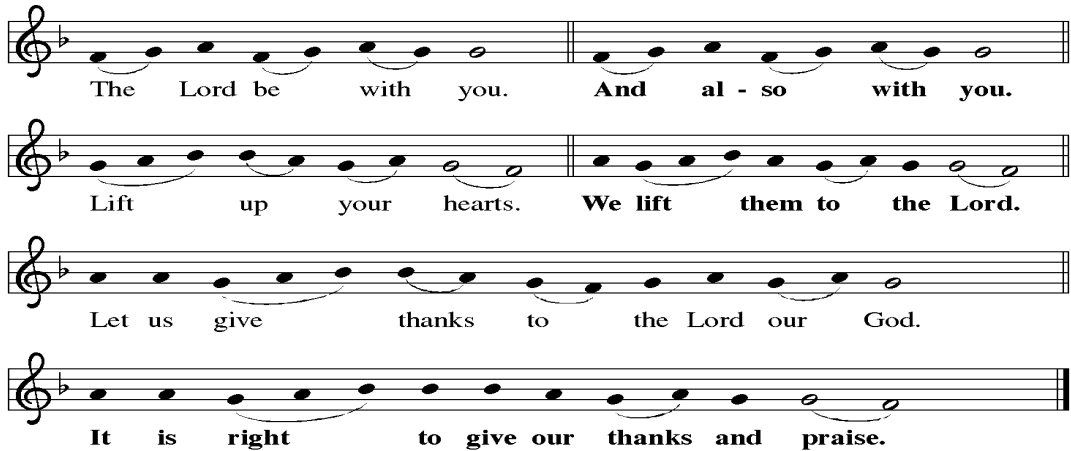
Blessed are you, O God,
for the greening earth given for all,
for the talents we are given to share,
and for this bread and wine.

Transform us to be the body of Christ,
that, feasting on this food and drink,
our lives may reflect your generosity;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

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

God invites you to this table of bounty.
Come, the banquet is ready.

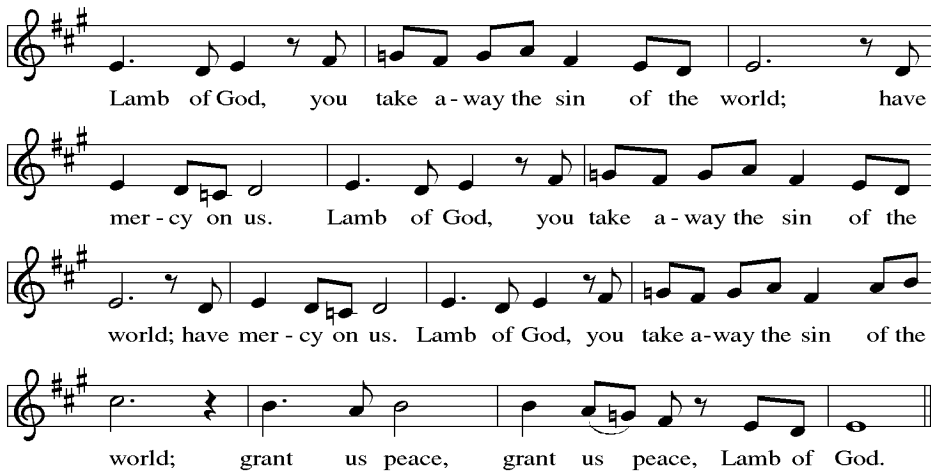
The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond, Amen.

*Jesus Christ is the host of this Holy Communion, in which we celebrate the Real Presence of our Lord. All are welcome! The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. **If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread.** Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the server.*

COMMUNION SONG



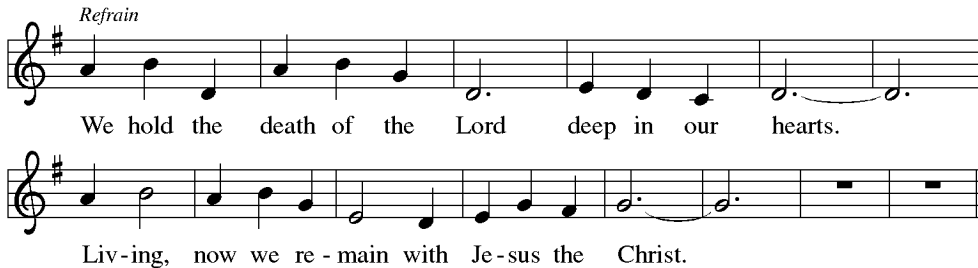
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

ASSEMBLY HYMNS:

COMMUNION MUSIC

Now We Remain

(The cantor will sing the verses; the Assembly will join on the refrain):



Refrain
We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.
Liv-ing, now we re-main with Je-sus the Christ.

- 1 Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.
Then by your cross we were saved;
dead became living, life from your giving. **Refrain**
- 2 Something that we have known, something we've touched,
what we have seen with our eyes,
this we have heard: life-giving Word. **Refrain**

- 3 *He chose to give of himself, became our bread;
broken, that we might live;
love beyond love, pain for our pain. **Refrain***
- 4 *We are the presence of God; this is our call;
now to become bread and wine,
food for the hungry, life for the weary;
for to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord. **Refrain***

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O God, in this holy communion
you have welcomed us into your presence,
nourished us with words of mercy,
and fed us at your table.
Amid the cares of this life,
strengthen us to love you with all our heart,
serve our neighbors with a willing spirit,
and honor the earth you have made;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him,
and abound in thanksgiving;
and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
be upon you and remain with you forever.
Amen.

SENDING SONG *Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright* (tune: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*)

- Vs. 1 Lord, teach us how to pray aright
 With reverence and with fear
 Though dust and ashes in your sight,
 We may, we must draw near.
- Vs. 2 We perish if we cease from prayer,
 Oh, grant us power to pray.
 And when to meet you we prepare,
 Lord, meet us on our way.
- Vs. 3 Faith in the only sacrifice
 That for can sin atone,
 To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes
 On Christ, on Christ alone.
- Vs. 4 Give these, and then your will be done;
 Thus strengthened with all might,
 We, through your Spirit and your Son,
 Shall pray, and pray aright.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Leavitt

Survey Says...

Mary and Martha Ballot Results

Last Sunday we tried something new. We took a ballot concerning two hymns that interpreted Luke's story about Mary and Martha. We sang both hymns after the sermon. The hymns were: "When Jesus was in Bethany" and "Martha Labored in the Kitchen." People were to choose "the best hymn," and some wrote a short commentary explaining their choice. Here are the results.

First Service (9 AM)

Favorite Hymn: "Martha Labored in the Kitchen" Vote: 47 to 12. [No difference in voting between men and women]

Second Service (11 AM)

Favorite Hymn: "When Jesus was in Bethany" Vote: 16 to 10 [No difference in voting between men and women]

Concerning voting, there was no difference between women and men. However, 33 women wrote comments compared to 15 men. Let me include a sampling of the comments included on ballot sheet.

- "When younger, I would have voted to be Martha; now I'm for Mary."
- "I'm a Martha, and I'm not happy about it."
- "I chose "When Jesus was in Bethany" because of the line: "We have to find a balance in God."
- "In reference to the hymn, "Martha Labored in the Kitchen,"- it sounds like me!"
- "I suggest both hymns were written by men. Try managing a big event alone."
- "I like both! They tell us a story that relates to our lives today."
- "Start on a positive note versus someone complaining."
- "God was in both women carrying out their callings to what was needed at that time..."
- "Mary and Martha are not a dilemma (opposite truths) but a paradox (parallel truths) which needs metanoia to solve."
- "I think both are wise."
- "When Jesus speaks, listen."
- "I'm married to a Martha."
- "If I follow Jesus, all will get done."
- "Try to live a balanced life."
- "Martha should not have complained about her sister. But someone had to do the work. She probably could not afford a caterer. Moderation is important."

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



Emmanuel is pleased to welcome Melanie Chadwick to our 9:00 service this morning.

Melanie will be playing some beloved hymns for the 9:00 Prelude. She enjoys playing the piano and also takes part in local Bluegrass music. Thank you for blessing us with your gifts today, Melanie!

We are fortunate to have a fine duet for both the 9:00 and 11:00 services. Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson will be singing the beautiful song, "Breathe a Prayer," for today's Offertory. Jan will also serve as cantor for the Communion song, "Now We Remain."

Much appreciation to you for giving us the opportunity to hear these beautiful songs during worship.

9:00 Service

Greeters/Ushers: *Keith & Beth McCullen, Robert & Karen Driste*

Assisting Minister: *Tom Jackson*

Lector: *Jeff Heier*

Acolyte: *Ann Berlam*

Altar Guild: *Joyce O'Neill*

AV: *Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)*



*Today
in Worship*

11:00 Service

Greeters: *Bill & Evelyn Seils*

Assisting: *Rick Boe*

Lector: *Marianne Zarek*

Acolyte: *Maridee Boe*

Ushers: *Hal Williams, Jerry Kimble, and Karen Carlson*

Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan*

AV: *Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)*



The flowers that beautify our altar today are given in loving memory of Linda Larson from her father, Alf Larson, and sister, Kim Collins.