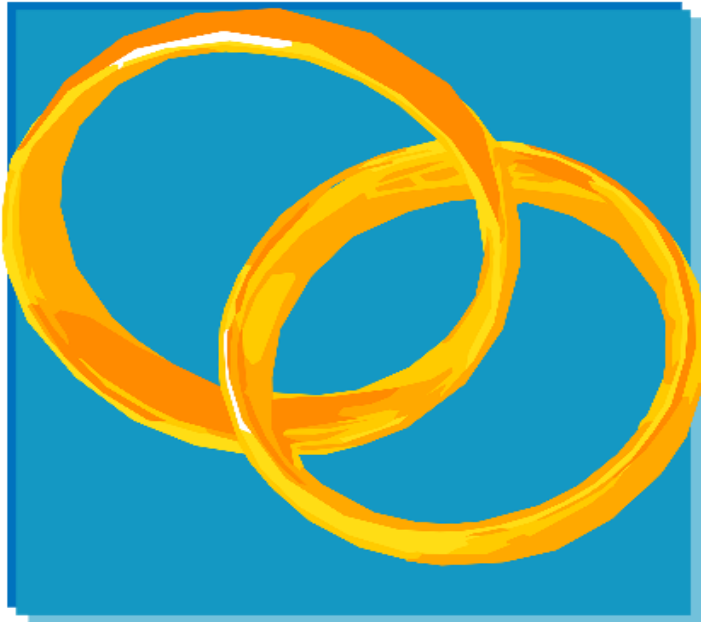


**TWENTIETH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST—
PROPER 22**



**Family: A Beautiful Design
October 6, 2024**

We will be celebrating **Pastor Appreciation Day** on Sunday, October 13. Plan to stay for refreshments and the Bible study.

AS WE GATHER

In a world intent upon remaking God's gift of family into its own creation, we are confronted with the goodness of the Lord. In His wisdom, He created man for woman and woman for man, and in His grace, He established the home and family as the first place where His love is known and shared. Today our challenge is not simply to preserve what God designed but to rediscover the beauty, wisdom, and goodness of His creative will and purpose. Even when sin has made this gift a challenge, God has provided an abundance of His mercy that we might forgive as He has forgiven us and so restore what sin would destroy.

HYMN

O Father, All Creating

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1 O Fa - ther, all cre - at - ing, Whose wis - dom, love, and pow'r
2 With good wine, Lord, at Ca - na The wed - ding feast You blessed.
3 O Spir - it of the Fa - ther, Breathe on them from a - bove,
4 Un - less You build it, Fa - ther, The house is built in vain;



First bound two lives to - geth - er In E - den's pri - mal hour,
Grant al - so these Your pres - ence, And be their dear - est guest.
So search - ing in Your pure - ness, So ten - der in Your love
Un - less You, Sav - ior, bless it, The joy will turn to pain.



To - day to these Your chil - dren Your ear - liest gifts re - new:
Their store of earth - ly glad - ness Trans - form to heav'n - ly wine,
That, guard - ed by Your pres - ence And kept from strife and sin,
But noth - ing breaks the u - nion Of hearts in You made one;



A home by You made hap - py, A love by You kept true.
And teach them, in the test - ing, To know the gift di - vine.
Their hearts may heed Your guid - ance And know You dwell with - in.
The love Your Spir - it hal - lows Is end - less love be - gun.

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Philippians 1:6

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
People: **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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an 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.
People: **Amen.**

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Kyrie

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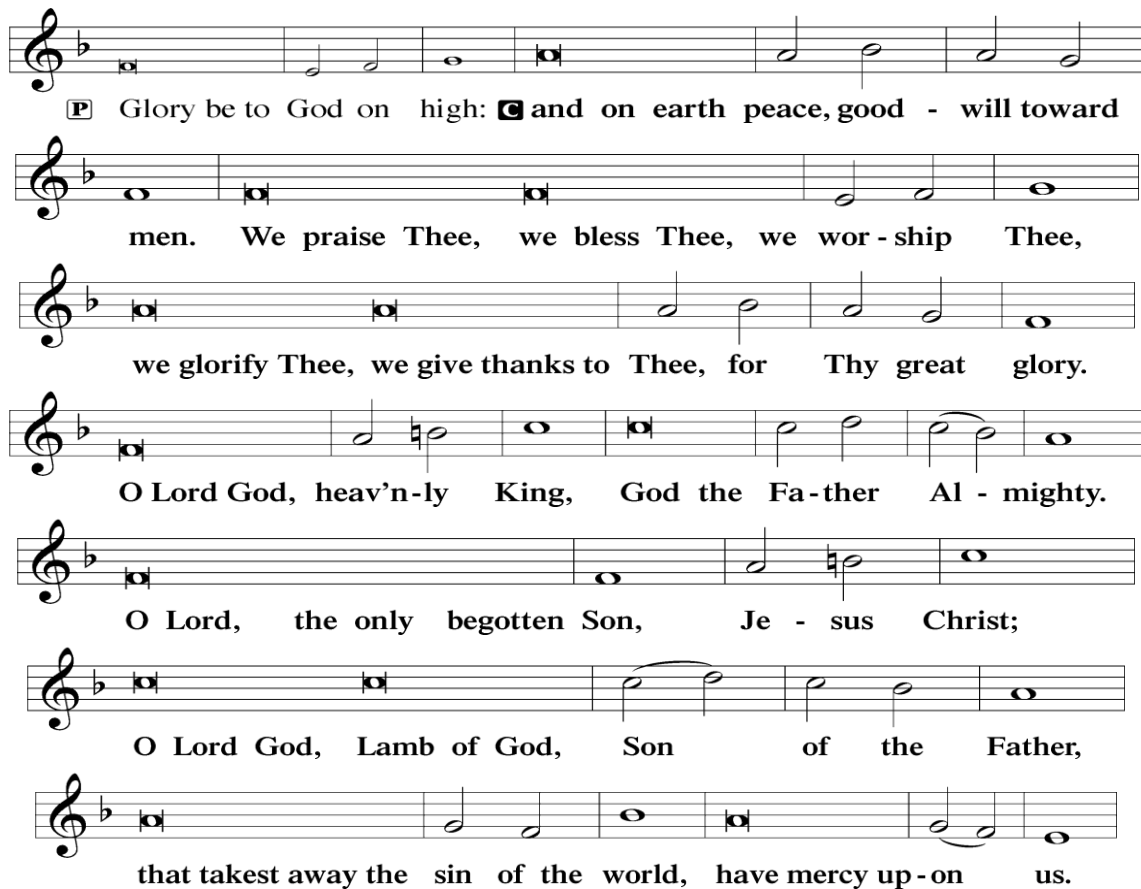


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria in Excelsis

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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
 People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
 Almighty God, You created man and woman and joined them together in holy marriage, thereby reflecting the mystical union between Christ and His Bride, the church. By Your infinite goodness, let Your blessing rest upon all husbands and wives, that they may rejoice in Your beautiful design and so live together to Your glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 2:18–25

¹⁸ Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹ Now out of the ground the Lord God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept

took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 2:1–18

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ² For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³ how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It

was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴ while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵ For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶ It has been testified somewhere, "What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? ⁷ You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, ⁸ putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹ But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That

is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹² saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise." ¹³ And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me."

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:2–16

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³ He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴ They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵ And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷ 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife ⁸ and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

¹⁰ And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹ And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹² and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

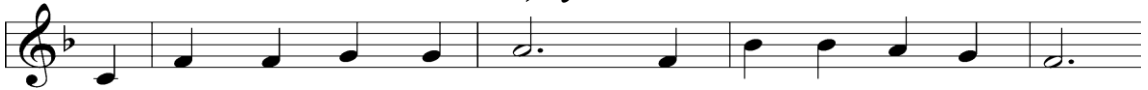
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

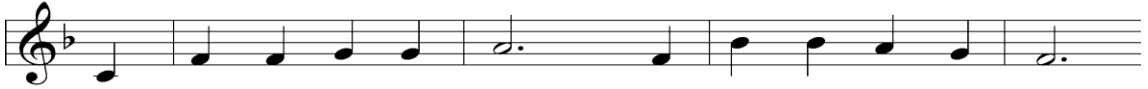
HYMN OF THE DAY

Our Father, by Whose Name

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1 Our Fa - ther, by whose name All fa - ther-hood is known,
2 O Christ, Thy - self a child With - in an earth - ly home,
3 O Spir - it, who dost bind Our hearts in u - ni - ty,



Who dost in love pro - claim Each fam - i - ly Thine own,
With heart still un - de - filed, Thou didst to man-hood come;
Who teach - est us to find The love from self set free,



Bless Thou all par - ents, guard - ing well, With con - stant love as
Our chil - dren bless in ev - 'ry place That they may all be -
In all our hearts such love in - crease That ev - 'ry home by



sen - ti - nel, The homes in which Thy peo - ple dwell.
hold Thy face, And know - ing Thee may grow in grace.
this re - lease May be the dwell - ing place of peace.

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SERMON

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People: 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 \times of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Behold in Your mercy, O Lord, the people You have made, and grant Your special blessing to husband and wife, parent and child, that in the daily exercise of Your mercy they may manifest to one another the fullness of Your mercy, forgiving each other as You have forgiven them. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Give grace and courage, O Lord, to Your church, that in this day of denial, we may abide joyfully in the truth of Your Word and the goodness of Your design for the home and for the family. Give us grace that we may both respect Your will and purpose and receive all the benefits of Your design. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: To the single, give grace that their burden of living alone may not overpower them nor steal from them the joy and fellowship of all our lives together within the household of Your church. Give patience to us all lest we grow weary as we await the prayerful desires of our hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give wisdom to those who govern in this and every place, that guided by the voice of Your Word they may act with integrity to do what is good and wise and benefits those in their care. Deliver us all from violence and fear and grant peace among the nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give grace and healing in accordance with Your will, that those who suffer may be relieved of their pain, restored to good health, and sustained until that day when we shall be finally delivered from all adversity and affliction. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give hope to Your people, that we may see in this communion upon the body and blood of our Savior the promise of the future You have prepared and receive here the foretaste of the eternal feast to come, when, at last, we shall no more be separated from the saints who went before nor from Your presence face to face. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give generosity to Your people, that we may receive Your gifts with thanksgiving, return them to You for the support of the kingdom in our midst, and supply those in need as acts of genuine charity and love in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Remembering all that You in Your mercy have accomplished and living in faith and hope in Christ, we pray You to bless us, bless our homes and families, bless our lives and work, that all things we do may please You and with our voices we may boldly confess You on earth, until that day when we shall close our eyes in death to awaken

to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whom, with whom, and by whom all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is good and right, our duty and our delight, to offer You praise and thanksgiving at all times and in all places, O holy Lord, almighty Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom You have restored us to Your family and blessed the homes of Your people with Your saving love, until that day when You shall bring to completion all that You have begun, and we shall join with the angels, archangels, and the whole heavenly host, evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus

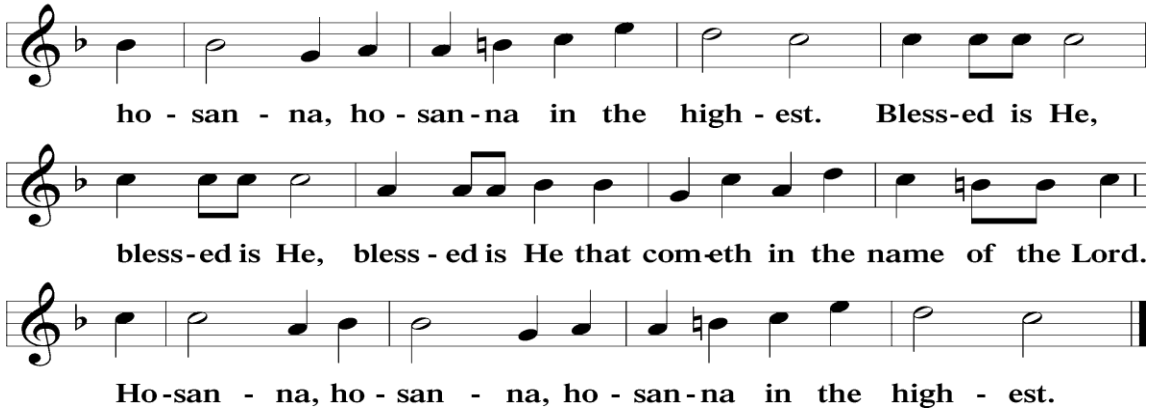
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: 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."

LORD'S PRAYER

People: **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.

Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sin, salvation, and eternal life. All who are baptized and repent of their sins are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor: Let us pray.
 Father in heaven, we give You thanks and praise that You have rescued Your children through Your Son and restored Your family through forgiveness. Give us grace to both ask forgiveness and to forgive as You have forgiven us, that our earthly families may be rescued from sin, restored to love and unity, and kept strong in Christ all the days of our lives; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The mercy, strength, and peace of God Almighty—the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit—go with you, now and forever.

People: Amen.

HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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For with you is the fountain of life;



in your light we see light. Psalm 36:9

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Service Times

Sunday

Chancel Choir starting September 88:30 am

Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Bible Study 11:15 am

Tuesday

Mid-week Bible Study 10:00 am

3rd Tuesday Men's Breakfast/Royal Cafe 8:30 am

Wednesday

Quilters 9:00 am

Thursday

1st & 3rd *Permission to Grieve Group* 10:00 am

1st Thursday *Ladies Lunch Bunch* 11:30 am

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday (9am-2pm)

Closed Friday

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