

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 13, 2020



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SERVICE OF THE WORD — NEW BEGINNINGS SUNDAY

GATHERING: THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, All You People — Alexander Gondo

Quartet

Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; the Savior; the Spirit.

Come now and worship the Lord.

WELCOME

Pastor Jim Kruse

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PM: Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we gather in the name of God, the Father, the Son and The Holy Spirit. Most merciful God, you know our failings better than we do; our sins are revealed in the light of your face. Our days and years pass by and the things we trust fade like grass. Guide us again to the water of life, and renew in us the grace of holy baptism. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

GREETING

PM: 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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Text & Music: Scott Hafso

We praise you, Lord, for new beginnings, For morning light that finds us in the shadow of the hills. We thank you now for all things living. We worship you; our spirits are renewed.

We gather to celebrate.

Knowing that we are loved, saved by forgiving grace, we lift our hymn of praise:

For fragrance of seasons' change, salmon that swim in the stream, Forests that grow in rain, we lift our hymn of praise:

For signs of the Spirit of God, healing the body and mind, Words formed by grateful hearts create our hymn of praise:

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PM: Let us pray. O Lord God,

C: merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING AND SONG.

FIRST READING Genesis 50: 15-21

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

AM: Word of God, word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Romans 14:1-12

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

AM: Word of God, word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

THE GOSPEL Matthew 18: 21-35

²¹Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand

talents was brought to him; ²⁵ and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

PM: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Living Together When We Are Not Together Pastor Jim Kruse

With this Sunday, we are doing our best to celebrate Life Together Sunday here at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Over the last couple of years, the Sunday after Labor Day has been set aside as a day to think together about how we create and live out the life of the church, not just as individuals, but as a family, as a community, or at least as a congregation that seeks to act in unison as much as possible. This year, unlike any other year that Our Savior Lutheran Church has experienced in its 60 years of life, we have the challenge of celebrating "Life Together" at a time when we cannot actually be together.

The realities of our times are stressing community life in ways that were never intended to be there. In the best of times, doing things together can result misunderstandings, hurt feelings, bad leadership, seemingly unforgiveable offenses, and, ultimately, the ending of relationships. And now, in these times, these painful outcomes are much more likely. Whatever skills were needed to pull off "Life Together" last year, or the year before that, or the decades for that, are now needed many times over.

Now, more than six months into a mandatory "Stay home, stay safe" mandate that restricts group gatherings in our community, we are being told that another, unforeseen and unaccounted for "pandemic" of sorts is coming our way. It is the pandemic of serious mental and spiritual illness and breakdowns. A headline in the Seattle Times on Wednesday this week reads, "We must prepare for the coming COVID-19 mental-health crisis."

"We, and the people we love, are facing many more months of rising infections and death tolls, and national economic and social challenges," the article says. But now, together we face, (and this is just part of the list) "long dark days of fall and winter under social distancing and isolation, uncertainty about school and childcare, crushing unemployment, and the November elections."

Domestic violence is on the rise. Depression is on the rise. Suicide is on the rise. It appears that it is much easier to figure out how to live together when we can actually live together.

Last week we heard Pastor David Hahn talk about the need to become listeners when others are addressing us about the ways we have offended them, so that we can work to repair the offense and reconcile the relationship.

But this week the lessons have a much loftier goal. It is not "reconciliation" that we are after, but it is "forgiveness." It is not about talking things out so that we can get back to the life together. Now it is about finding a way of living together after the offense has cut too deeply and healed incompletely, after the talking has failed and there is nothing more to say, after the past has faded, but the memory of what happened is still vivid and clear.

And the air is thick with questions. Is a return to a healthy life together more than just a dream? Is forgiveness even possible?

Today's First Lesson from Genesis Chapter 50, presents some of the last words of the Book of Genesis and the very last words about the life of Jacob that began in Chapter 25 when Jacob was born while grabbing onto the foot of his twin brother, Esau. If you know nothing about Jacob and the life of his 12 sons, the one thing you need to know is that, when it comes to life together—when it comes to family relationships, everyone has reason to be afraid of the others. Everyone has reason to lash out in anger. Everyone has reason to break things off and just walk away.

To begin with, Jacob had two wives who were sisters. Jacob was deeply and openly in love with the younger sister, Rachael. But Jacob was tricked by their father, Laban, into marrying Rachael's older sister, Leah first. Then he had to work for Laban for seven more years before he could marry the woman he loved. Joseph was the first born of Rachael, the wife that Jacob loved. He had 10 half-brothers, but only one full brother, Benjamin, by his mother, Rachael, who was the baby of the family.

As Joseph was growing up, his father Jacob extended his special love for Rachael by showing favoritism to Joseph, giving Joseph all kinds of special favors and gifts. In fact, Jacob singled out Joseph so much that his brothers, as a group, become crazy with jealousy—to the point that they hatched a plot to kill him. While taking care to their chores one day, they jumped Joseph and threw him into a pit to die. Joseph is only saved when they spot a caravan of merchants heading for Egypt, and decide it is more profitable to them if they pull Joseph out of the pit and sell him to the merchants as a slave. Finally they killed a goat to cover their tracks. They throw the blood on Joseph's clothes to show their father, telling him that an animal had attacked and killed his favorite son.

All of this is, I hope you can see, is horrendous human behavior. Anyone would understand if Joseph had vowed from that day forward to eventually exact revenge on his brothers and do them in. In fact, heroic Hollywood movies have been made about just such acts of vengeance, born of the anger of injustice.

A lot happens between that day and the day that is described in the First Lesson for today. In Egypt, Joseph stumbles into the role of a servant in Pharaoh's house where he accurately predicts that a great famine is coming. Joseph is given the job of organizing a food storage program that saves the Egyptians from starvation, and he is rewarded with a top government position. Many years later, under the threat of starvation, Jacob sends Joseph's 10 half-brothers to Egypt seeking the food that only Joseph can provide, keeping Benjamin at home as a source of comfort. But Joseph hides his identity from his brothers and extracts a small measure of revenge on them by "jerking them around" in a way that includes taking one brother, Simeon, hostage, hiding money and a silver cup in their grain sacks while accusing them of stealing, and then threatening to enslave Benjamin for doing so.

The family tension remains long after the truth is revealed and the whole family takes up permanent residence in Egypt. So when Jacob dies in today's lesson, there is enough serious offense on all sides of the family relationships to squelch any hope of ever being a whole and healthy family.

And yet, to the shock of everyone, all of the brothers make peace with one another. And Joseph finds it within himself to tenderly say, "Have no fear, I will provide for you and your little ones." How is that even possible?

Throughout my 45 years now of ordained ministry, it seems that no topic receives more attention than the topic of forgiveness. People are always asking me to teach about forgiveness. And all throughout those years of ordained ministry, no topic has gotten more difficult and more complex than the topic of forgiveness. The more I live, and the more that happens to me and in the world, the less and less I have to say about the topic.

But the one thing that rings true throughout all of the scripture lessons for today is the notion that we, as beings of God's creation, are not the ones who forgives of what happens to us. Joseph says, "Am I in the place of God?" Paul says in the reading from Romans, "If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord." And Jesus reminds Peter that God's capacity for forgiveness is innumerably great. God is the forgiver. God is the restorer. God is the one who has the power to make all things as they were intended to be.

God demonstrates most clearly his desire and capacity for forgiving when, in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, God takes into himself the world's propensity for destruction and our propensity to mess things up. God in Christ speaks the power of forgiveness to everyone he meets in his life, and the blind see, the demon-possessed are freed, and the dead come back to life. God in Christ is nailed to a wooden cross. And God in Christ is raised from death, and given ultimate reign over all things.

We do not need to be able to duplicate God's forgiveness in our own lives, or even know why or how God does it. We are only invited to trust that it is true—and keep on living the life that God gives us to live for as long as we are able.

When confronted with the confession of his brothers, Joseph had a choice. He could continue to let the years of resentment come pouring out. He had the authority and power of the Egyptian government, if not the right by virtue of his humanity, to keep lashing out with violent acts. But instead, Joseph had seen enough. If things kept going the way they were going, there was only more pain and sadness and grief in their future. And so Joseph chooses to let God deal with the vindication. He chooses to keep on living the life he had been given to live, to finally be a brother to his brothers, and to use the gifts he had received from God, not just to save them from starving now, but to assure their life in the future.

It takes great courage, with all that we now know, to keep on living. Not just surviving, but living. Living with innocence even when we know there is no such thing. Living as though the world is filled with good and loving people and cultures, even when we know it also cradles those with evil in their hearts. Going about our business with freedom and a lightness of being, even as we work to protect ourselves and our loved ones -- and honor

those who do the protecting. It takes great courage to weep with those who have caused you to shed your greatest tears. And to proclaim with confidence, at a time when it looks least likely to be true, "Have no fear, God will provide for you and your little ones."

AMEN.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ
Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929; Music: Jamaican folk tune

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, at his table he set the tone, Teaching people to live and bless, love in word and in deed express.

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt, Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!

OFFERING

Please take a moment to give thanks to God for all that you have received in life, and remember your generous financial support of the ongoing ministry obligations of OSLC.

OFFERING PRAYER

PM: God of majesty, in your might you have created all things, and you entrust to our care what you have made. Receive our offerings, and make them a sign of our dedication to provide for the needs of all people and creatures, in the name of the one who sustains all things by his word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of life and breath, you are our source of hope.

+ We give thanks for your precious gift of life; embrace us in your love; sustain us when we are feeling broken or frightened; open our hearts to hear your word and call; strengthen us to seek justice for our neighbors; grant us creativity to joyfully share your Good News.

We give thanks for your creation.

+ Enable us to be educated to be better stewards of your world. We give thanks for our partners at <u>Earth Ministry</u> and <u>Lutherans Restoring Creation</u>.

We pray for our world, nation, and local communities.

- + We lift up people for whom insecurity and violence are the norm. Help us to bring healing and safety to all.
- + God of Mercy, guide us to awareness of our prejudices and empower us to act to eliminate racism in our church and community. O God, help us to behold one another as you behold us. Help us to be more firmly rooted in the practices of the gospel—so that the way we live will make real your beloved community within and among us.
- + We pray for our school teachers, college and university professors, child care leaders, staff, students, and parents as they prepare for a new academic year. Give them wisdom and creativity, grant them patience and safety, remind them that you are with them in the midst of it all.
- + We pray for all in the wake of natural disasters. We are mindful of those in the wake of raging wildfires in California, and powerful storms in the Gulf of Mexico. Grant safety in the midst of chaos and fear; grant strength to those affected as they recover and rebuild.
- + We lift up all in our community who provide emergency services: medical workers, fire-fighters, and police. Grant them strength, endurance, and safety.

We pray for all who are in need of healing and strength:

+ We pray for those who are facing ongoing challenges and health concerns: Marlene, Carol, Nancy, Carmen, those affected by the California wildfires, Nancy, Doyle and his family, Scott, Gwynn and Don, Jeremy, Henrik & Patty,

Vern, communities across the country, Mike, Dave, Guests of the Community Meals Program, Sonja, Nicole, Josee and Jeannie.

- + We continue to pray for those affected by the COVID-19 crisis: grant peace to the families of those who have died from the corona virus; provide healing for those diagnosed; protect and sustain care providers and chaplains; guide work to improve testing and work toward a vaccine; sustain those unable to work and facing financial uncertainty; and help us to be wise when we go out in public and catch up with friends.
- + We pray for our neighbors who are fearful or in danger in their relationships. We lift up the work of those who protect, support, and advocate for people who are experiencing domestic violence.
- + We lift up those experiencing anxiety, depression, and other mental health challenges. Empower us to reach out to those who need care and support. For those who are in despair, remember you are loved. You are never beyond God's mercy, grace and love.

We pray for those who are grieving:

+ Loving God, wrap your arms of love and hope around all who are experiencing any kind of loss, disconnection, or brokenness. We lift up the family and friends of Jean, Dee, Marlene, Nikki, Dick, Germaine, Bob, and Fran.

We pray for your church:

- + We give thanks for the leaders and members of ministries of our congregation. Grant them creativity for their work; give them grace to rest when needed.
- + We pray for the residents, staff, and families of nursing homes and care facilities, includ-

ing those ministries that are part of our synod: Josephine Caring Community, Foss Home, Columbia Lutheran Home, Norse Home, Bethany of the Northwest, and Hearthstone Community.

+ We pray for congregations in the call process. Grant them wisdom and patience as they discern where it is that you are leading them. We lift up transition teams, call committees, transition pastors, congregation staff and lay leaders, and synod staff.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

+ Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Trusting in your mercy and grace, we lift our prayers to you.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

BLESSING

PM: The life-giving God, who sets us free in Christ, encourage you with the presence of the Holy Spirit and + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

POSTLUDE Risen

Risen is the Holy Christ — Stanley Saxton

Jiyoung Lee

Commemorations for the Week

John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, died 407, Sunday, September 13

John was a priest in Antioch and an outstanding preacher. His eloquence earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" ("golden mouth"). Appointed bishop of Constantinople, seat of the empire, he criticized corruption in the court. As a result, he was exiled by the empress.

Holy Cross Day, Monday, September 14

Helena, mother of Constantine, made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and found what may be the actual site of Jesus' crucifixion. Her son built two churches there, and the dedication of one of them gave rise to this celebration of our Lord's victory on the cross.

Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, martyr, died around 258, Wednesday, September 16

Cyprian served as a bishop during a time of great persecution of Christians. He insisted on receiving back those who had left the faith under duress. He also provided medical care during a severe epidemic.

Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, died 1179, Thursday, September 17

A mystic who was widely influential within the church, Hildegard advised and reproved kings and popes, wrote poems and hymns, and produced treatises in medicine, theology, and natural history. She was also a musician and artist.

Dag Hammarskjöld, renewer of society, died 1961, Friday, September 18

A Swedish diplomat, Hammarskjöld served as the second Secretary General of the United Nations until his death in a plane crash while trying to negotiate peace in present-day Zambia. His journal, published as Markings, revealed the depth of his Christian faith.

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Readings for Next Sunday: Jonah 3:10--4:11; Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

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Additional worship resources:

Reading: Psalm 103: [1-7] 8-13

Suggested Hymn for Listening: Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817; Tune: Johann G. Nägeli, 1773-1836

++Share & Prayer--

Prayer is putting our faith into action. We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. You can make prayer requests via email at office@oslcissaquah.org. All written requests will remain on this list for 4 weeks.

Marlene Pickering discernment in medical decisions to alleviate pain. (Mary Fricke)

Carol Johnson mourning the loss of her brothers, and ongoing medical issues. (Mary Fricke)

Nancy Cumming peace as she awaits an opportunity to move into Timber Ridge. (Mary Fricke)

Carmen Saavedra hope with new medication.

(Cheryl Neeb)

Washington, Oregon and California Wildfires firefighters and those affected. (Marilyn Carlson) Nancy Anderson comfort and healing. (Cheryl Neeb) Doyle Watson his caregiver and their families, all positive for COVID 19. (Marilyn Carlson) Scott safety, health and help. (Karen Hansen) Gwynn and Don peace. (Karen Hansen Jeremy healing broken legs after a motorcycle accident. (brother to Diane Murff)

Henrik & Patty Christopherson comfort and support after experiencing a house fire. (Dianne Tanner)

Vern Lindquist peace and comfort.

Safety and peace for communities being torn apart during these difficult times. (Karen Hansen) Mike Golick continued adjustment to his assisted living home in Anchorage, Alaska. (brother-in-law to

Patty Gerde)

Mike special ops military unexpectedly called up. (nephew of Dave and Marilyn Carlson)

Dave Carlson continued strength, healing and comfort following kidney transplant surgery.

Guests of the Community Meals Program safety, health and peace of mind. (Connie Fletcher) Sonja 3 years old undergoing treatment for cancer. (granddaughter of Henrik & Patty Christopherson) Nicole DeCamp healing and strength. (Ken DeCamp and Cheryl Leiter)

Josee Jordan peace of mind as she faces health challenges. (Dianne Tanner)

Jeannie Lindquist continued healing and strength.

Healing and peace of mind: Marian James; Gregory (nephew of Joanne Suttmeier); Doug Patur; Katie Moeller; Margot Inman; Ken Acker (son of Lucy Acker); Marilyn Carlson; Taufik Hidavut (Ken Konigsmark); Don Wilkinson

(husband of Gwynn Wilkinson); Rebecca Thomas; Tanisha Foote (Marilyn Carlson); Dorothy Soland; Randi Strom; Jeanne Kuipers; Talton Johnson; John Pass; Florence Kinnune; Carol Harbolt; Sandy Aldworth; Jen Winslow; Larry Pruitt.

Undergoing cancer treatment: Amy Aldworth (daughter-in-law of Sandy Aldworth) Les Carlson (father of Dave Carlson); Harold Mandt (brother of Mary Ann Hult and Lorna Robertson); Chris Howe (brother of Mark Howe); Peggy Scalise (cousin of Mark Howe); Eileen Letts (cousin of Mark Howe); Keith DeCamp (brother of Ken DeCamp); Barbara Jones (mother of Ron Sordahl); Doug McVety (Helen Nychay); Al Batt (Connie Fletcher); Larry Harbolt (Ray Harbolt); Gerald Welch (Vern and Jeannie Lindquist); Joe Martin (father of Stacy Smith); Christy Williams (Bill Bergsma); Diane Powis (Paul Tolo); Dana Mancini (Jan Setterlund); Greg Petersen (Wes Collum); Barry Donker (Joan Parish); Germaine Korum (Lyle and Alice Lewis); Kathryn Aitcheson (Gerrie Hendrickson); Yuko Takiguchi (Teiko Soland); Barb (Janette Singley)

Living with cancer: Liz Kidd (Bob Beck); Duane Jacobson; Mary Lewis (sister-in-law of Lyle and Alice Lewis); Mark Becker (uncle of Paula Seeger); Barbara Krogh Jarvis (sister of Steve Krogh); Suzanne Lewis (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice Lewis); Mira Bergsma

Mourning the death of loved ones: For peace and comfort during this time of grieving for the family and friends of: Jean Stanley (sister-in-law to Alice Lewis); Delores "Dee" Bakamus (Dar Boni); Marlene Braun (sister to Cheryl Neeb); Nikki (niece to Doug & Dianne Tanner); Richard "Dick" Birdsall (Dianne Tanner); Germaine Korum (Lyle & Alice Lewis); Bob Gray (Doug & Dianne Tanner); Fran Hildebrand (Karen Hansen)

Members and friends serving in the military; fire & police departments, & emergency rooms.

Global Missions and Missionaries: For peace in Hong Kong. (Global Missions). Congregations in Chiclayo, Peru: Pepe at Las Brisas, Merci in San Antonio and Harold at Las Lomas. MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School in Tanzania.