

*The LORD is the strength of His people; He is the saving refuge of His Anointed.  
Save Your people and bless Your heritage! Be their Shepherd and carry them forever.*

## **The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

**July 16, 2023**

**9:30 a.m.**

This Morning's Hymns

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For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better Word than the blood of Abel.

*Hebrews 12:18–24*

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread . . . For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This Cup is the New Covenant in My Blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

*1 Corinthians 10:16–17; 11:23–29*

*Who receives this sacrament worthily?* Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

*Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar*

Falsely are our churches accused of abolishing the Mass; for the Mass is retained among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved . . . For ceremonies are needed to this end alone: that the unlearned be taught what they need to know of Christ . . . The people are accustomed to partake of the Sacrament together, if any be fit for it, and this also increases the reverence and devotion of public worship. For none are admitted except they be first examined.

*Augsburg Confession XXIV: Of the Mass*

#### A Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are glad that you have joined us this morning to receive from our gracious God and to offer Him your prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. If this is your first visit to St. Paul, or you have never received the Lord's Supper from Pastor Proctor, we ask that you speak with him or one of the elders before receiving Holy Communion. Children and adults who are not permitted to the Sacrament of the Altar may come forward and cross their arms against their chest to indicate they would like to receive a blessing at the rail.

# ✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** who made Heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P** O Almighty God, Merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

## Introit

*Psalm 28:1-2, 7; antiphon: Psalm 28:8-9*



*The LORD is the strength of His | people;\**

*He is the saving refuge of His A- | nointed.*

*Save Your people and bless Your | heritage!\**

*Be their Shepherd and carry them for- | ever.*

**To You, O LORD, I call; my Rock, be not | deaf to me,\***

**lest, if You be silent to me, I become like those who go down | to the pit.**

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | You for help,\*

when I lift up my hands toward Your Most Holy Sanctu- | ary.

**The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\***

**my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to Him.**

*Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\**

*and to the Holy | Spirit;*

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

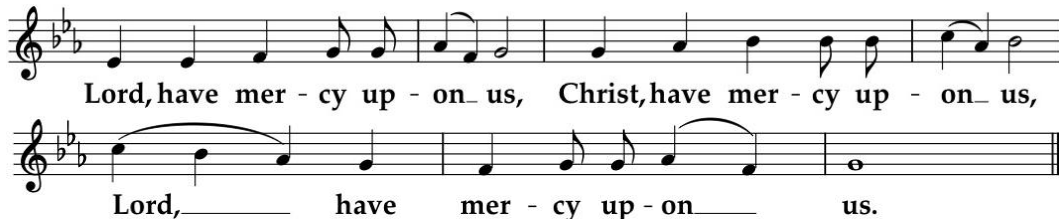
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**Save Your people and bless Your | heritage!\***

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## Kyrie

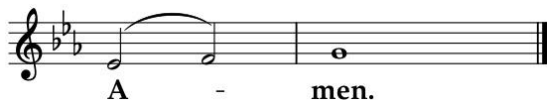


## Gloria in Excelsis

**P** Glory be to God on high!

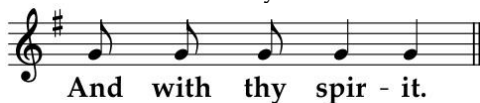


praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we  
glo-ri-fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great  
glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al -  
might-y. O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten Son, Je - sus Christ,  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,  
that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have  
mer-cy up-on us. Thou that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test - at the  
right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer-cy up-on us.  
For\_ Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou on - ly art the  
Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly  
Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther,



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, Author and Giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## Old Testament

*Exodus 20:1–17*

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before Me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

<sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate Me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the Name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His Name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that

the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 90:13, 1, 2b*



Behold our shield, | O God;\*

look on the face of Your A- | nointed!

**O LORD God of hosts, | hear my prayer;\***

**give ear, O God of | Jacob!**

## Epistle

*Romans 6:1–11*

*Brethren:* <sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. <sup>10</sup>For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia & Verse

Psalm 31:1



Alle- | luia!\*

Alle- | luia!

**In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;\*  
in Your righteousness deliver me! Alle- | luia!**

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:17–26

**P** The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

*At that time Jesus said to the crowds:* <sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until Heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the Kingdom of Heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. <sup>20</sup>“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

<sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.





Stand

## Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy  
pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion  
and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it.

## Prayer of the Church

*At the end of each petition:*

**P** Let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

## Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



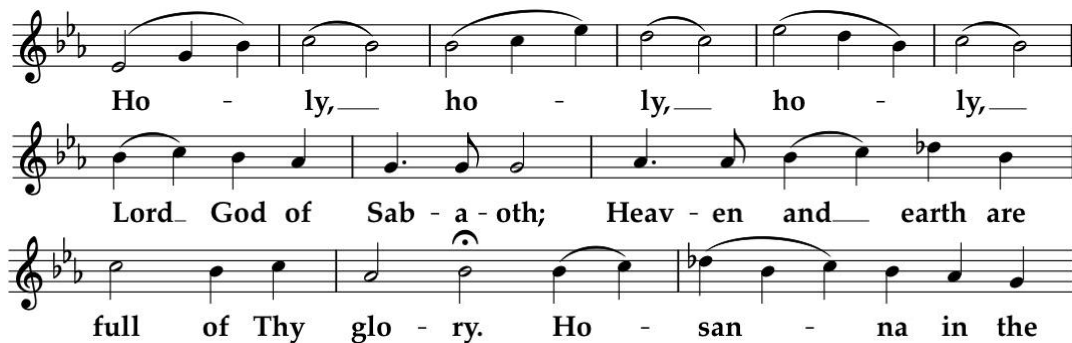
**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



## Proper Preface

It is truly meet, 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:

## Sanctus



high - est! Bless-ed is - He that com - eth in the  
Name of the Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

## The 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

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."

## Pax Domini

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

A - men.

## Agnus Dei

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.

*Sit*

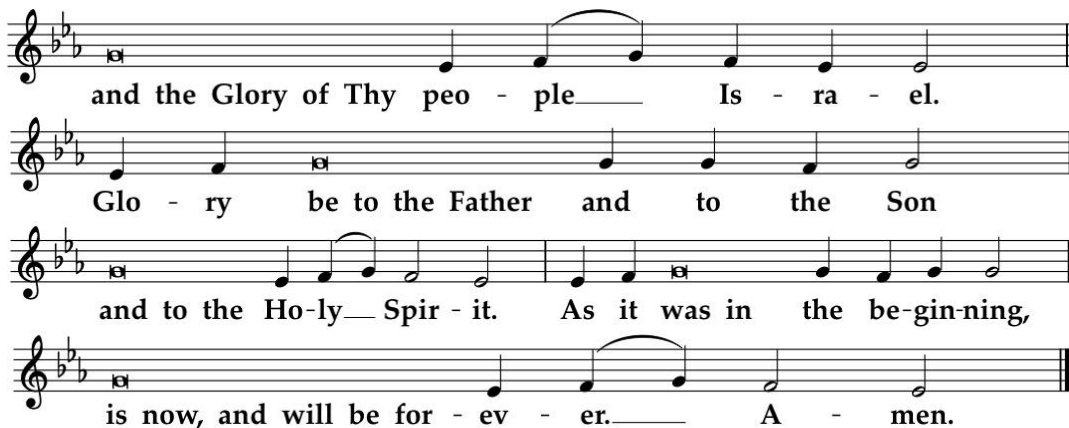
### Distribution Hymns

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*Stand*

### Nunc Dimittis

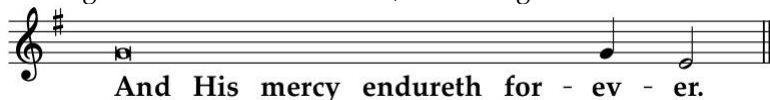
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace  
 ac - cord - ing\_ to Thy Word,  
 for mine eyes have seen Thy sal - va - tion  
 which Thou hast prepared before the face of all\_ peo - ple,  
 a\_ Light to light - en the Gentiles



and the Glory of Thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. As it was in the be - gin - ning,  
 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

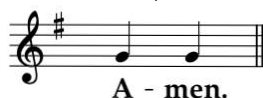
## Thanksgiving

**P** O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.



And His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

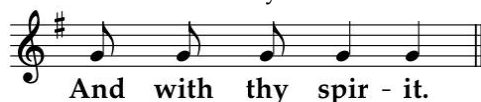
**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives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



A - men.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God

## Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and  $\text{†}$  give you peace.



## Hymn

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

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**GLORY OF GOD**

in celebration of

**DEACON FRED'S 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY**

and in thanksgiving of his faithful service

to our congregation



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*"To Shine Forth the Light of God's Love into Our World"*

# BULLETIN NEWS

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>Sunday, July 16</b>	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible Class	Irmer Hall
		Sunday School	Library
<b>Saturday, July 22</b>	10:30am	Matins	Sanctuary

## BIRTHDAYS

07/17 – Steven Oliver, *missionary family*

07/19 – Fred Lingenfelder

07/20 – Pat Haas

## MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday afternoon Bible study led by Pastor Proctor will be on hiatus until September 6, 2023.

## PASTOR PROCTOR OUT OF TOWN

Pastor Proctor will be out of town July 24–29. No Matins that week.

## SUMMER VISITATION

Please see the sign-up sheet on the narthex counter. The time slots are for visits with Pastor Proctor in his study at the church office. If your schedule doesn't permit a visit during one of the available slots, please speak with him to make a special arrangement.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER READING

Just two weeks left for the summer reading program – keep reading!

## SNACKS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN

Children and families are reminded that snacks will be eaten in Irmer Hall. No food will be eaten in the Sunday School room (Library). Thank you!

## TO SUPPORT THE PHOENIX RESCUE MISSION

During July and August we will be collecting WATER BOTTLES & PLASTIC REUSABLE WATER BOTTLES. Place bottles on the "Social Ministry" cart in the narthex.



## **EDUCATING A NEW GENERATION OF LUTHERANS**

This week's topics include: The Movies "Sound of Freedom" and "Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny," An Attempt by Concordia University Texas to Reject the Governance & Oversight of the LCMS, Truth & Tolerance, Female Pastors & the Lutheran Church of Australia, and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](https://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

## LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, or email at [info@stpaul Lutheran-az.com](mailto:info@stpaul Lutheran-az.com). Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

### IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

**Mary Howard**, suffering from severe back pain.

**Nigel Proctor**, awaiting diagnosis for severe digestive issues.

### ON-GOING CONCERNS:

**Wayne Bartels** – recovering from brief hospitalization

**Debbie Dyjak** – ongoing eyesight concerns

**Jonathan Brant** – recovering from surgery

**Bea Hendricks** – fell and currently in a care center

**Michael Moreno** – recovering from surgery

**Rose Tressler** – health issues

**Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas**

**Kevin Stamm** – recovering from surgery

**Christopher Richards** – recovering from fall

**Dennis Stonecypher** – seeking employment

**Barbara Sand** – suffering from severe back pain

**Suzi Riley** – suffering from sleep apnea

**Jorge Jimenez** – fighting cancer

### PRAISE REPORT:

**Beulah Richard** is completely healed! All praise and glory to God!

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Anthony** (Mary's son from LLA office) is suffering with mental health.

**Nick Koontz**, husband of Mary Howard's stepdaughter, has been diagnosed with leukemia.

**Pam Werdabaugh** (mother of Dan Noggle) diagnosed with cancer and undergoing radiation treatment.

**Jean Lorenzen** (mother of Debbie Dyjak) cognitive function has worsened and has entered a care facility.

### MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, **Joan**, serving in Japan.

Rev. Steven Massey and son, **Marco**, serving in Guatemala.

PSWD Missions

Rev. Stephen Oliver and wife, **Maggie, and children**, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

### PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor and family

Sunday School teachers & children

Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff

LCMS officers, congregations & schools

Lexington Life Academy families & staff

**OUR NATION:** For all elected and appointed public servants, and all who labor to maintain peace and order.

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY** (*members, friends, or relatives*): **Lucas Butterfass, Erich Dyjak, Nathanael Dyjak, Juan Garcia, Robert Gilmore, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Ethan Peterman, Andy Smiley, Jacob Wilson**

**OUR SHUT-INS:** **Anne Smith, Lois Carlson, Suzanne Berna**