

**St. John's Lutheran Church
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 10, 2021**



PRELUDE

WELCOME on this 20th Sunday after Pentecost as we continue to hear Christ's call and challenge to discipleship. After being blessed with a perfect morning for our world communion service last week we return indoors bringing the world with us in spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

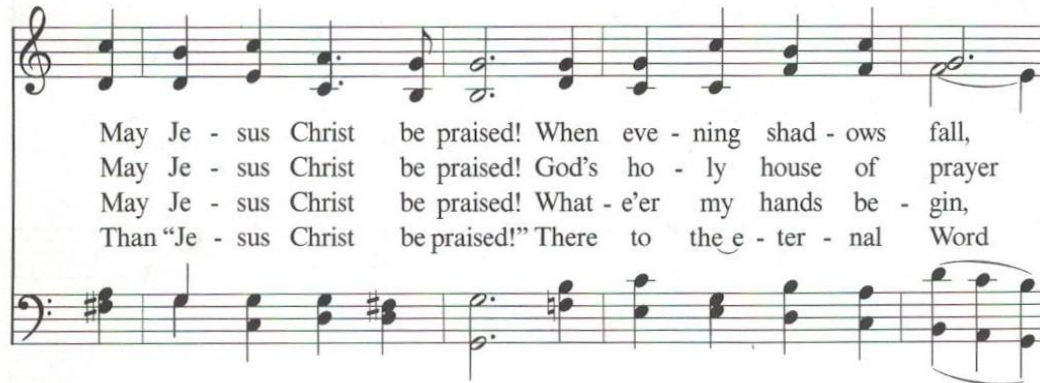
***HYMN ~ When Morning Gilds the Skies**

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When Morning Gilds the Skies


1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, My heart a - wak - ing cries:
 2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, This is my song of songs:
 3 To him, my highest and best, I sing, when love - pos - sessed:
 4 No love - lier an - ti - phon In all high heav'n is known



May Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! What - e'er my hands be - gin,
 Than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word



This rings my cur - few call: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 Has none that can com - pare With "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
 This bless - ing shall break in: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: Oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!

5 Let all of humankind
 In this their concord find:
 May Jesus Christ be praised!
 Let all the earth around
 Ring joyous with the sound:
 May Jesus Christ be praised!

6 Sing, sun and stars of space,
 Sing, all who see his face,
 Sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"
 God's whole creation o'er,
 Today and evermore,
 Shall Jesus Christ be praised!

***CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

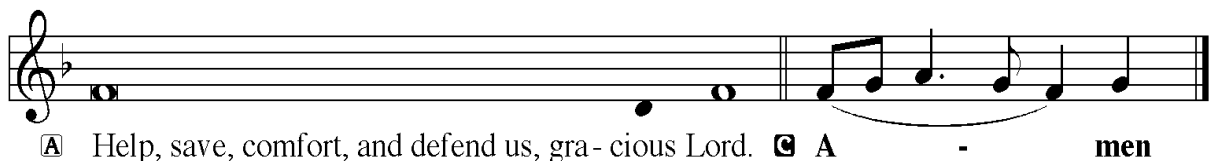
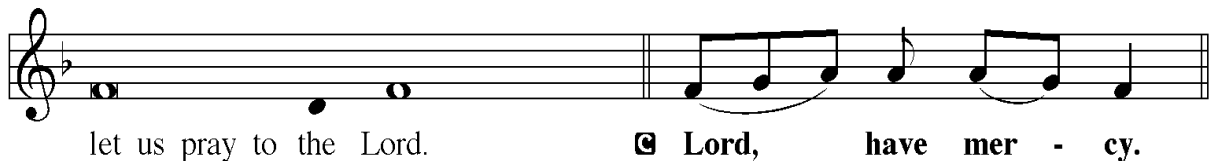
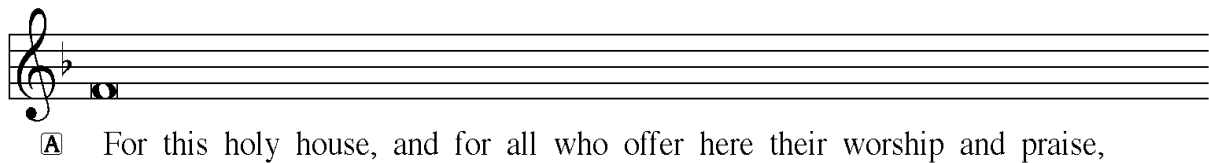
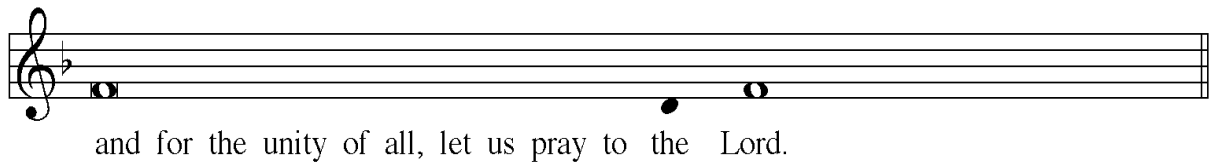
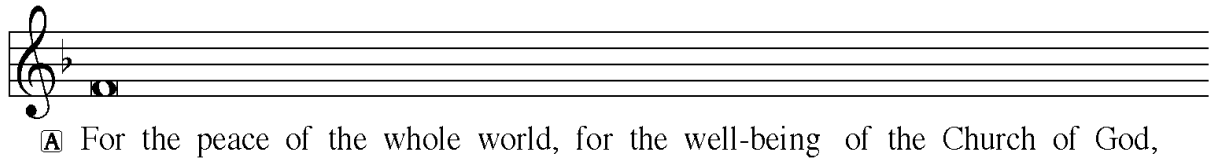
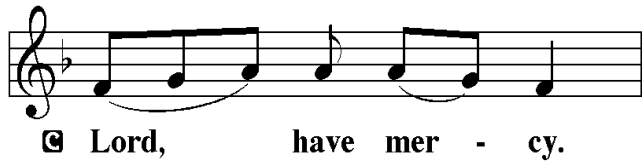
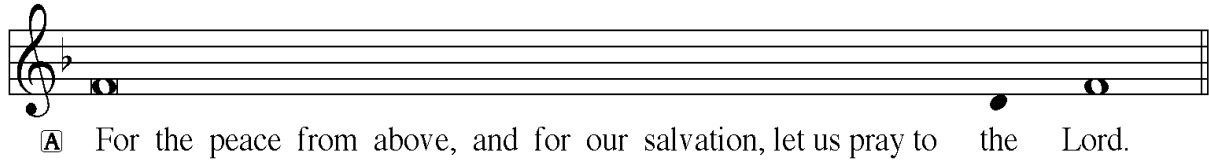
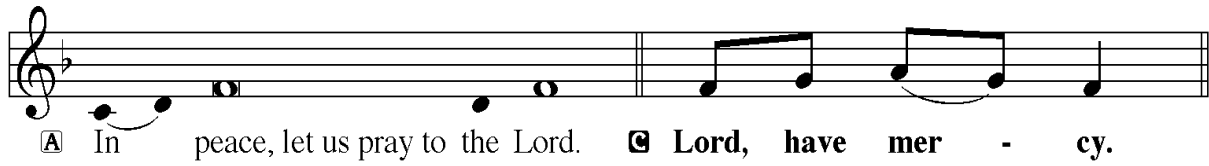
C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus 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**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P 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.**

***KYRIE**

***HYMN of PRAISE**

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



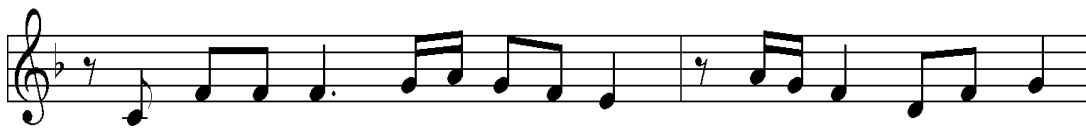
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



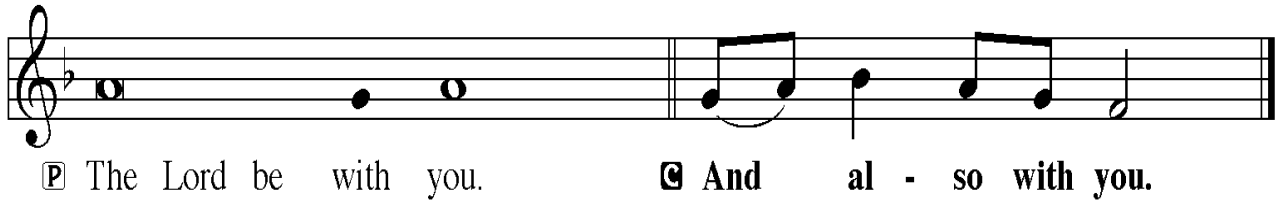
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

***PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)**

P Let us pray...

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

LESSONS

First Lesson ~ A reading from Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17 ~ *with response*

The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, people join to sing response, then as psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.

Second Lesson ~ A reading from Hebrews 4:12-16

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***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.

Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 10th chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read. After the reading

P The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

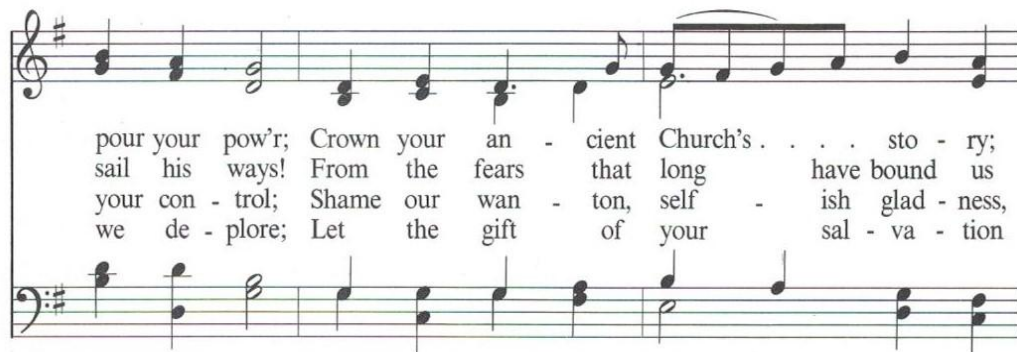
HYMN ~ *God of Grace and God of Glory*

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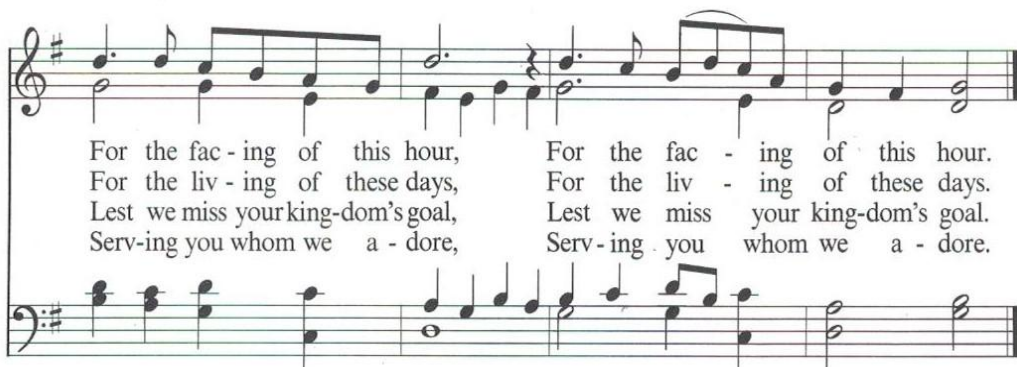
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour your pow'r; Crown your an - cient Church's . . . sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; Let the gift of your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 Lest we miss your king - dom's goal, Lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 Serv - ing you whom we a - dore, Serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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**

OFFERING ~ you may leave your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end of the front and back pews on your way out.

***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 your pres-ence, and take

not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the

joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

***PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~ See Celebrate**

P Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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 BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C **Amen**

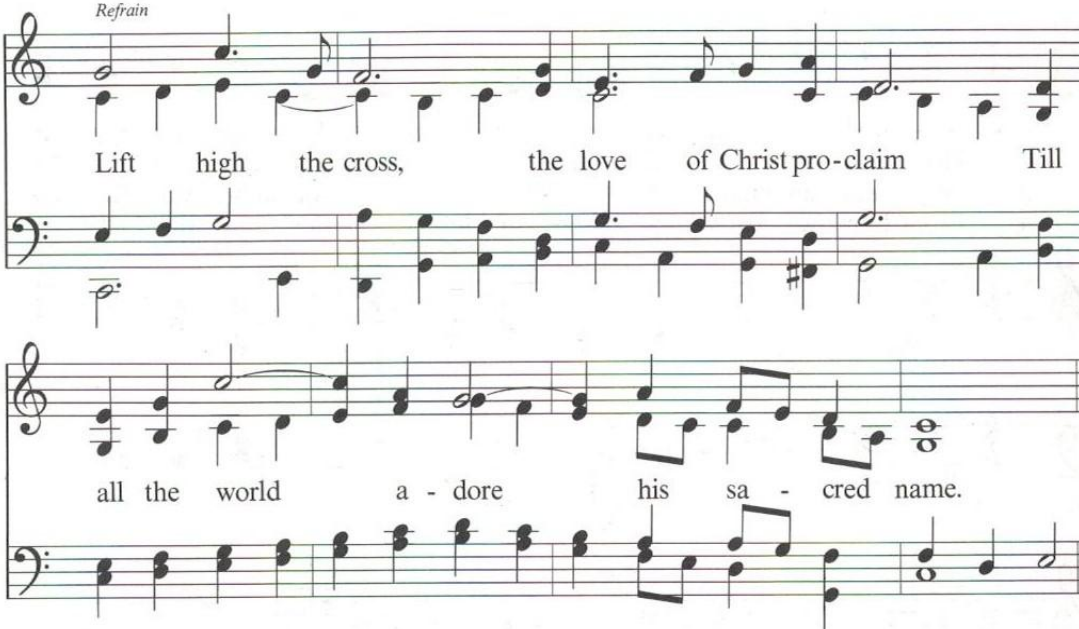
*HYMN ~ *Lift High the Cross*

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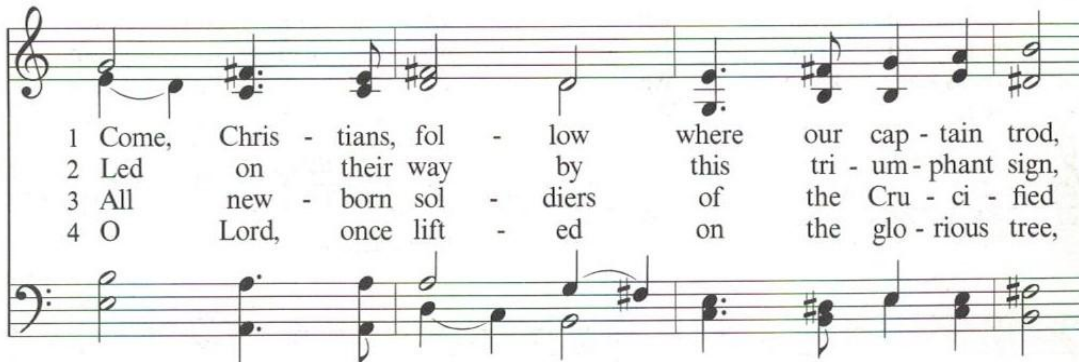
Lift High the Cross

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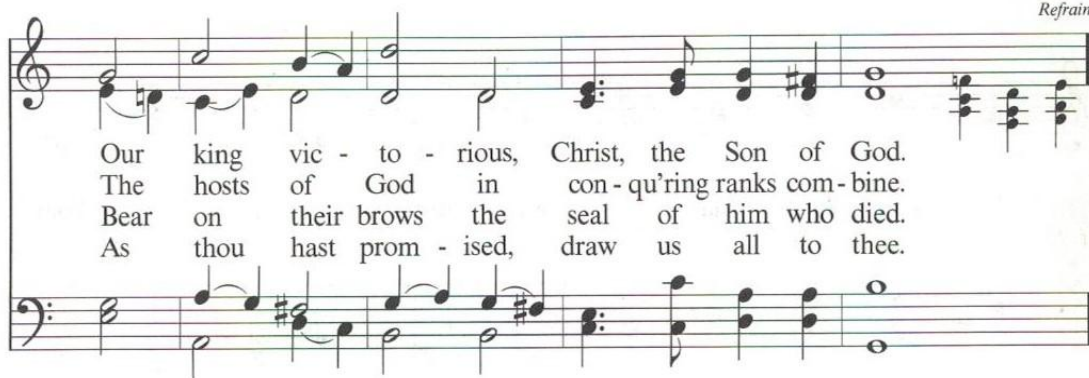


Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till
all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

Refrain



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
As thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.

- 5 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

***DISMISSAL**

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

R Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

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Today

Greeter: Denise Chester; **Lay Reader:** Deb French

Next Sunday, October 17

Greeters: Ed Bilich; **Lay Reader:** Jim Buchanan

Our Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

Our Vision Statement

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community
through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Mom, Holly, Jami and families in honor of
Jimmy Harmon's 60th birthday.

Please remember in prayer ~ Scott Plank, Steve Rodgers, Pastor Tom Kramm (now residing at VVH), Steve Weikel, Stacey Spicher, Kim Aumiller, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Ohesson Manor), Vivian Plank, Betty Harmon (Elmcroft), Ev Young (Zion Home, Lititz), Don Wolfe and Carol Yoder (VVH).

FROM the PASTOR

Think about the devotional reading you have selected and ideas that pop up for you then put Wednesday, October 20 6:30 pm on your calendar. We will meet together to delve deeper into your readings, learn a simple formula for writing a devotional, share fellowship and refreshments as we craft our Advent devotional book and take home some things for your advent wreath as well.

Wednesday October 20, 6:30PM: Crafting our Advent Devotional and Advent Wreath.

Bishop Collins' meeting with congregational church leaders from around our Synod will be held at Reedsville Evangelical Lutheran Church at 6:30PM this Tuesday, Oct 12. Two members of Council (Carol and Joy) will attend; others are encouraged to attend as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donations for Blanket Sunday should be made this morning. **Envelopes can be found in the narthex.**

Advent begins on Sunday, November 28 and we are hoping to complete another devotional with help from West Kish. Volunteers are needed to write the meditations. A sign-up sheet with scripture readings to choose from can be found in the narthex. **Submissions are due by Sunday, November 7.**

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with Sunday morning duties in October. Looking ahead, there is sign-up in the narthex for November and December.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 14. After being postponed last year, we will be celebrating the 30th (now 31st) anniversary of Rosalie Smith's ordination into the ministry. Bishop Collins is presiding over the service and Reverend Laura Klick will be giving the message. The Social Ministry committee is hosting a reception afterward.

January 1 thru October 7, 2021

Last week's attendance ~ Outdoor Service Offering ~ \$2,510.00

St. John's ~ Income \$ 166,354.62 Expense \$ 165,736.38
Net Income \$ 1,108.24

*Per council, \$44,000.00 was transferred from the Thrivent Money Market to cover the back parking lot paving (\$39,400) and repair of the block wall at the back of the F.H. (\$5,575).

Daycare ~ Income \$ 234,585.92 Expense \$ 221,137.24
Net Income \$ 13,448.68