Prayer Page

Thanksgiving
- Marriage of Kierra Penney & Gabe Hanson on 9/5
- Labor Day Holiday

Entrusting into God's Care
- Orphan Grain Train

Healing
- Dave Johnson– health issues
- Ben Mims– recovering after surgery
- Taylor (relative of Dawn Thomas)- pregnancy complications
- Jerry (father of Jolene Trent)- hospitalization
- Vern Piering– recovering after hospitalization
- Jennine Robinson– recovering after surgery
- Brandon (son of Nick and Joleen Trent) -health issues
- Ron Prescott– recovering after surgery
- Linda Patten - health issues
- Carolyn Johnson– recovering after surgery
- Karen Swalley– health issues
- Philip Hackbardt– health issues
- Tom Larson - health issues

Homebound
- Pat Krekeler– at home

Grief (family and friends of)
- Ray Hopkins (former members)– died 8/28
- Carol (mother of Lori Myers)- died 8/11

Serving Our Country
- Charles Clark - IA National Guard
- Hunter (husband of Sarah Ealy) - IA National Guard
- Eli (brother of Ashton Berberich) - Marines
- Aiden (grandson of Foremans) - US Army
- Amber (daughter of Ann Balvanz) - US Army
- Ben (son of Kroemers) - IA National Guard
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy

Servants of Worship

	Sunday, September 6	Sunday, September 13
Elder	Steve Hanchera	Karl Hoech
Usher (8:30)	Pete Larson Mike Goerdt	Ed Schumacher
Usher (11)	Doug Knutson Dave Johnson	Greg Dunn
Greeter (8:30)	Rick & Marvelene Foreman	Norma Filmore Lorna Fischer
Greeter (11)	Jim & Lissa Novich	Aaron & Tracy Moffett
Lector (8:30)	Rick Thorington	Rick Foreman
Lector (11)	David Behrens	Elaine Behrens
Video (8:30)	Mitch Myers	Natalie Steggall
Video (11)	Greg Dunn	Jack Zimmerman
Sound (8:30)	Karl Hoech	Nicholas Williams
Sound (11)	Ethan Petrick	Phil Hedtke
Acolyte (8:30)	Carter Urban	Ella Smith
Acolyte (11)	Carson Theriault	Kora Urban
Nursery (11)	Rebecca Ballstaedt Amy Smith	Natalie Steggall Emily Kroemer
Coffee	Youth	Freese

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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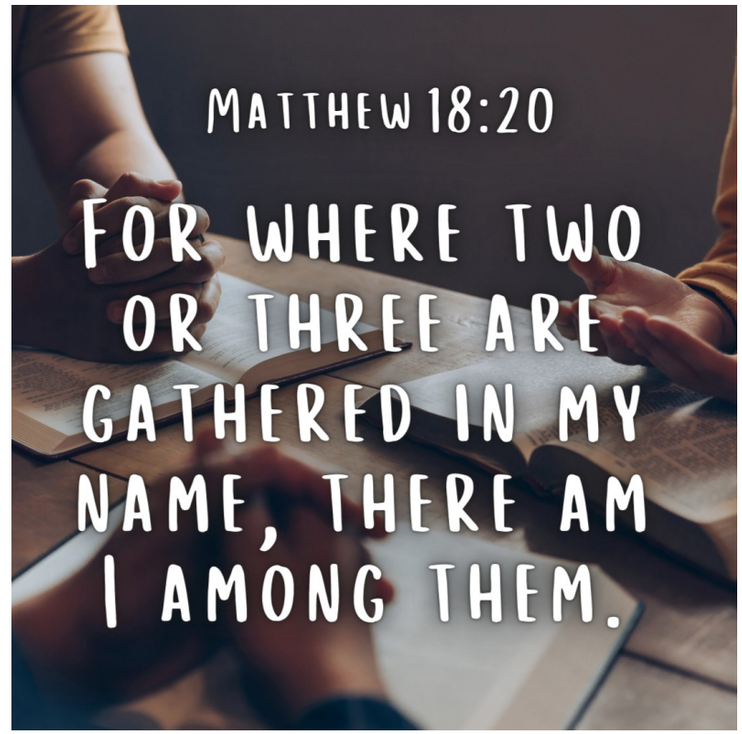

September 06, 2026

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service III

Organ Prelude - *Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness*	
Ringing of the Bells	
Welcome and Announcements	
Hymn of Invocation	
My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker	LSB# 820
Invocation, Confession and Absolution	LSB pg. 184
Introit (From Psalm 92), and Kyrie	LSB pg. 186
Gloria in Excelsis	LSB pg. 187
Salutation and Collect of the Day	LSB pg. 189
Old Testament Reading	Ezekiel 33:7-9
The Epistle Reading	Romans 13:1-10
Holy Gospel	Matthew 18:1-20
Nicene Creed	LSB pg. 191
Hymn of the Day	
Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive	LSB# 843
Sermon	
Prayer of the Church	LSB pg. 193
Preface and Sanctus	LSB pg. 194
Lord's Prayer	LSB pg. 196
The Words of Our Lord	LSB pg. 197
Pax Domini and Agnus Dei	LSB pg. 197
Distributions Hymns	
Lord Jesus, Think of Me	LSB# 610
Today Your Mercy Calls Us	LSB# 915
Nunc Dimittis and Thanksgiving	LSB pg. 199
Salutation, Benedicamus and Benediction	LSB pg. 201
Closing Hymn	
Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go	LSB# 920
Postlude- Toccata in C by Gordon Young	

Notes and Announcements

Confirmation Classes (7th & 8th), and **High School Youth** group (9th-12th) are held on **Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 p.m., starting September 9. Sunday School** classes will begin **Sunday, September 13 at 9:45 a.m.**

Fall Festival — **Sunday, September 20** - **Join us for one worship service at 9:30 a.m.**, followed by lunch, yard games, Bingo, and backpack-packing for Orphan Grain Train. RSVP for lunch at the Welcome Counter and sign up to volunteer.

It's **back to school time** and the perfect time for an in-gathering of School Kits for **The Orphan Grain Train!** Items we will be collecting include spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, construction paper, 24 count crayons, rulers, glue sticks, scissors, erasers, 12 count color pencils and pencil sharpeners. Collection will start on **Sunday, August 16th and go through Sunday, September 13th.** Volunteers can help **assemble the kits during the fall picnic** on the **20th of September**. Look for the sign up sheets outside the sanctuary.

Men's Bible Study will resume in person, **Wednesday, September 9, in the Adult Education Room, at 6:00 a.m.** The study will be 12 sessions on Exodus called Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School by Bruce Wurdeman. Please contact Dave Johnson with questions.

Quilting for World Relief will be Tuesday, **September 8** at **9:00 a.m.** All are welcome!

On Mondays we serve coffee, cocoa, and smiles to students and neighbors who walk or drive by at 6:30-8:00 a.m. If you would like to serve, please sign up at **www.bethanycr.org/serve**.

Women's group will start at Bethany on **Monday, October 5**. All women are welcome to join us Mondays at 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Sign up and purchase your book in the church office.

Monday Adult Bible Study will begin **at 7:00 p.m.** on **October 5.** Please sign up at the Welcome Counter.

Feeling Musical? Fall is a great time to join choir or the handbell choir! **Choir rehearsals are Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m**. **Handbell rehearsals Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.**

Our Calendar This Week

Today	8:30 am	Traditional Service w/Communion
	9:30 am	Education Hour
	11:00 am	Contemporary Service w/Communion
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open
Monday		Office Closed - Labor Day
Tuesday	8:00 am	Green Square Outreach
	9:00 am	Walking for Exercise
	9:00 am	Quilting for World Relief
	1:00 pm	Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	5:30 pm	Choir Practice
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Class
	6:00 pm	High School Youth Group
Thursday	9:00 am	Walking for Exercise
	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study
	1:00 pm	Leah Circle
	6:00 pm	Naomi Circle
Friday	9:00 am	Rebekah Circle
Saturday	9:00 am	Holy Yoga - Lower Level
Next Sunday	8:30 am	Traditional Service
	9:30 am	Education Hour/Sunday School starts
	11:00 am	Contemporary Service
	12:15 pm	Board of Education
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open

Chancel Flowers given to the Glory of God by Gabe & Kierra Hanson in celebration of their wedding.

Stewardship Note: Matthew 18:4 – "Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." What does it mean to have childlike faith? Certainly Jesus does not want us to have a faith that is *childish* — we are not called to ignorance or silliness. Rather, we are called to trust the way a child trusts: with complete confidence in the Father. We show that confidence in our lives when we follow His directives for our life. Father knows best, so we'll take His advice!