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Prayer Upon Entering Church: O Lord, God the Father, my Maker, Lord Jesus, my Redeemer, Holy Spirit, my Comforter in life and death, I have entered Your house to hear what You will speak to me. Lord, renew now my heart through Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, that from Your Word I learn to grieve over my sins, trust in Jesus in life and in death, and daily to better myself in holy life and conduct. Hear and answer me through Jesus Christ. Amen.

About This Service: The heart of Christianity is not what we do for God but what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. We call our service the "Divine Service" because the Divine One, our Lord Jesus, promises to be present to serve us by His Word and with His body and blood.

Are My Children Welcome? Our Lord says, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14). Yes, your little ones are more than welcome! We are delighted to have them with us in the service!

Visitors: Welcome to St. John's! If you have not already done so, please fill out the visitor's book outside of the sanctuary. If you don't yet have a church home, or have any questions about what we believe, teach, and confess, feel free to speak with Pastor; he would be happy to talk with you!

Communion Statement: All visitors are asked to speak with Pastor before the service and prior to coming up for communion. We invite those who are active communicant members of the LC-MS to commune with us. If you are not a communicant member of the LC-MS but wish to come receive a blessing, please cross your arms when you come up to the communion rail to receive a blessing.

Ring of the Bell - Prelude - Welcome

Opening Hymn TLH 301 "He That Believes and Is Baptized"

**He that believes and is baptized Shall see the Lord's salvation;
Baptized into the death of Christ, He is a new creation.
Through Christ's redemption he shall stand Among the glorious heav'nly band
Of every tribe and nation.**

**With one accord, O God, we pray: Grant us Thy Holy Spirit;
Look Thou on our infirmity Through Jesus' blood and merit.
Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this Sacrament we may Eternal life inherit. Amen.**

The Order of Worship, Page 15 TLH

Invocation: TLH Page 15 [Responses Sung]

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

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.
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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins TLH Page 16

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution TLH Page 16

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 Ghost.

C: [Sung] Amen.

Introit (P: Pastor C: Congregation) Psalm 105:2-6; antiphon: v. 1

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

**C: Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!**

P: Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

**C: Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually!**

P: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

**C: O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!**

Gloria Patri: *TLH Page 16 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The Kyrie: *TLH Page 17 [Sung]*

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH Pages 17-19 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect

TLH Page 19

P: The Lord be with you!

C: And with thy spirit!

(prayed together) – **Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Response: [Sung] Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 7:6-9

⁶“You are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.”

Epistle Reading – Romans 8:28-39

²⁸We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gradual (*Pastor speaks, congregation responds with "Hallelujahs!"*)

P: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

As the Gospel reading is announced, the congregation sings... **C: GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD!**

Gospel Reading – Matthew 13:44-52

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel ended, the congregation sings...

C: PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST!

(SCHUBERT) Baptism Hymn TLH 298 "Baptized Into Thy Name Most Holy" stz. 1-3

**Baptized into Thy name most holy, O Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Thy seed, Thy chosen host.
Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Thy Spirit now shall live within.**

**My loving Father, Thou dost take me To be henceforth Thy child and heir;
My faithful Savior, Thou dost make me The fruit of all Thy sorrows share;
Thou, Holy Ghost, wilt comfort me When darkest clouds around I see.**

**And I have vowed to fear and love Thee And to obey Thee, Lord, alone;
Because the Holy Ghost did move me, I dared to pledge myself Thine own,
Renouncing sin to keep the faith And war with evil unto death.**

THE BAPTISM OF LEIGHTON HASLAG

The newly baptized is welcomed with the following:

P: In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C: Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

The baptismal rite continues.

(SCHUBERT) Baptism Hymn TLH 298 "Baptized Into Thy Name Most Holy" stz. 4-6 Δ

**My faithful God, Thou failest never, Thy covenant surely will abide;
Oh, cast me not away forever Should I transgress it on my side!
Though I have oft my soul defiled, Do Thou forgive, restore, Thy child.**

**Yea, all I am and love most dearly I offer now, O Lord, to Thee,
Oh, let me make my vows sincerely And help me Thine own child to be!
Let naught within me, naught I own, Serve any will but Thine alone.**

**Δ And never let my purpose falter, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
But keep me faithful to Thine altar Till Thou shalt call me from my post,
So unto Thee I live and die And praise Thee evermore on high. Amen.**

(BABBTOWN) The Nicene Creed TLH Page 22

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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 of the world to come. Amen.

(BABBTOWN) Sermon Hymn TLH 347 "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

**Jesus, priceless Treasure, Fount of purest pleasure, Truest Friend to me.
Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish, Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine, O Lamb divine! I will suffer naught to hide Thee, Naught I ask beside Thee.**

**In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me Cannot reach me here.
Tho' the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking, Jesus calms my fear.
Lightnings flash And thunders crash; Yet, tho' sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.**

**Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee; Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour; Earth and all its depths adore Him, Silent bow before Him.**

**Hence, all earthly treasure! Jesus is my Pleasure, Jesus is my Choice.
Hence, all empty glory! Naught to me thy story Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my Savior move me Since He deigns to love me.**

**Evil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not deceive me, Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me, Get thee far behind me, Come not forth again.
Past thy hour, O pride and power; Sinful life, thy bonds I sever, Leave thee now forever.**

**Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather, Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er I here must bear, Thou art still my purest Pleasure, Jesus, priceless Treasure! Amen.**

The Sermon

Offertory

TLH Pages 22-23 [Sung]

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayers

TLH Pages 23-24

ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Preface: *TLH Page 24 [Responses Sung]*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to Thee, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus: *TLH Page 26 [Sung]*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He,

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer: *TLH Page 27*

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;

[Sung] For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution: *TLH Page 27*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini: *TLH Page 27*

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

C: [Sung] A - - - - men.

The Agnus Dei: *TLH Page 28 [Sung]*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace. A - - - - men.

The Distribution *(We invite those who are communicant members of the LC–MS to commune with us.)*

Distribution Hymns TLH 467 “Built on the Rock the Church Doth Stand”

Built on the Rock the Church doth stand, Even when steeples are falling;
Crumbled have spires in ev’ry land, Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the soul distress,
Longing for rest everlasting.

Surely in temples made with hands, God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.
Yet He whom heav’ns cannot contain Chose to abide on earth with men,
Built in our bodies His temple.

We are God’s house of living stones, Buildded for His habitation;
He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell,
With all His grace and His favor.

Now we may gather with our King E’en in the lowliest dwelling;
Praises to Him we there may bring, His wondrous mercy forth telling.
Jesus His grace to us accords; Spirit and life are all His words;
His truth doth hallow the temple.

Still we our earthly temples rear That we may herald His praises;
They are the homes where He draws near And little children embraces.
Beautiful things in them are said; God there with us His covenant made,
Making us heirs of His kingdom.

Here stands the font before our eyes Telling how God did receive us;
Th’ altar recalls Christ’s sacrifice And what His table doth give us;
Here sounds the Word that doth proclaim Christ yesterday, today, the same,
Yea, and for aye our Redeemer.

Grant, then, O God, where’er men roam, That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing:
“I know Mine own, Mine own know Me; Ye, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you.” Amen.

TLH 425 “All Depends on Our Possessing”

All depends on our possessing God’s abundant grace and blessing,
Tho’ all earthly wealth depart. He who trusts with faith unshaken
In his God is not forsaken And e’er keeps a dauntless heart.

He who hitherto hath fed me And to many joys hath led me,
Is and ever shall be mine. He who did so gently school me,
He who still doth guide and rule me, Will remain my Help divine.

Many spend their lives in fretting Over trifles and in getting
Things that have no solid ground. I shall strive to win a treasure
That will bring me lasting pleasure And that now is seldom found.

When with sorrow I am stricken, Hope my heart anew will quicken,
All my longing shall be stilled. To His loving-kindness tender
Soul and body I surrender; For in Him alone I build.

Well He knows what best to grant me; All the longing hopes that haunt me,
Joy and sorrow, have their day. I shall doubt His wisdom never--
As God wills, so be it ever--I to Him commit my way.

If on earth my days He lengthen, He my weary soul will strengthen;
All my trust in Him I place. Earthly wealth is not abiding,
Like a stream away is gliding; Safe I anchor in His grace. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

TLH Pages 29-30 [Sung]

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving: *TLH Page 30*

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: *[Sung]* **And His mercy endureth forever.**

The Thanksgiving Prayer: *TLH Pages 30-31*

P: ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God,
world without end.

C: *[Sung]* **A- - - - men.**

The Benedicamus: *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction: *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Closing Hymn **TLH 473** "The Church's One Foundation"

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the Word;
From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy Bride;
With His own Blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish! Her dear Lord, to defend,
 To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end.
 Tho' there be those that hate her, False sons within her pale,
 Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

Though with a scornful wonder Men see her sore oppressed,
 By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed;
 Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
 She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore,
 Till with the vision glorious, Her longing eyes are blest
 And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Have A Blessed Week!

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Hymn # 301: Scripture: Mark 16:16; Enhver som tror og bliver døbt; He That Believes and is Baptized; Author: Thomas Kingo (1689);
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Hymn #298: Scripture: Matthew 28:19; Ich bin getauft auf deinen Namen; Baptized Into Thy Name Most Holy; Author: Johann J. Rambach
 (1734, ab.); Translator: Catherine Winkworth (1863, alt.); Tune: O dass ich tausend; Composer: Kornelius Dretzel (1731).

Hymn #347: Scripture: Matthew 13:46; Jesu, meine Freude; Jesus, Priceless Treasure; Author: Johann Franck (1655); Translation:
 Composite; Tune: Jesu, meine Freude; Composer: Johann Cruger (1649). posite; Tune: Ich Sterbe Taglich; Source: Ms., Municipal
 Library Leipzig, 1756; Translator: © 1941, Concordia Publishing House.

Hymn #467: Text: Ephesians 2:10-22; Kirken den er et gammelt Hus; Author: Nicolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1837; Tr.: Carl Doving, 1909, alt.;
 Tune: Kirken den er et; Composer: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1871.

Hymn #425: Scripture: Proverbs 10:22; Alles ist an Gottes Segen; All Depends On Our Possessing; Author Unknown (c. 1673); Translator:
 Catherine Winkworth (1858, alt); Tune: Alles is an Gottes Segen; Composer: Johann B. Konig (1738).

Hymn # 473: Scripture: Ephesians 2:20; The Church's One Foundation; Author: Samuel J. Stone, 1866, Cento;Tune: Aurelia; Composer:
 Samuel S. Wesley, 1864.

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Daily Bible Reading:

- **Monday, July 27th**: Exodus 26
- **Tuesday, July 28th**: Exodus 27
- **Wednesday, July 29th**: Exodus 28
- **Thursday, July 30th**: Exodus 29
- **Friday, July 31st**: Exodus 30
- **Saturday, August 1st**: Exodus 31
- **Sunday, August 2nd**: Exodus 32

Catechism Recitation for the Week:

Table of Duties: Of Citizens

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's. Matt. 22:21

It is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. Rom. 13:5–7

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior. 1 Tim. 2:1–3

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good. Titus 3:1

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. 1 Peter 2:13–14

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Prayer for Departing Church: O Lord, I give thanks to You with all my heart. You have taught me Your will that I might perform it. Help me now, my God, by Your Holy Spirit, for Jesus Christ's sake, that I may treasure Your Word in a heart unblemished, and fortified in faith, lead a sanctified life after the manner of our forefathers, and therein find solace in life and in death. Amen.



August 2
is
Senior Member Sunday
at St. John's

On Senior Member Sunday we celebrate the blessing of having seniors as part of our Christian family. This special day allows us to honor their lifelong faithfulness, rejoice in their gift of service, and give thanks for the vital role they play in our congregation today.

Age doesn't stop us from being a child of God. What we can do may change with time, but God always has a plan for each of us—no matter our age!

Following Worship, we invite our seniors—AGES 70 AND ABOVE to enjoy fellowship and a light lunch in the church basement.

Jennifer Wolken, an RN with the Cole County Health Department, will also be present to speak about some of the department's programs.

May God continue to richly bless our senior members!

V D M A
THE WORD OF THE LORD
REMAINS FOREVER

"Even to your old age and gray hairs I am He, I am He who will sustain you. I have made you...I will carry you; and I will rescue you."
Isaiah 46:4