# TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 17, 2025 8:30 AM



Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church Reinholds, Pennsylvania

#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT SWAMP LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Visitors** are welcome and invited to make themselves at home. If you're interested in learning more about Swamp Lutheran, have questions, or are looking for a church home, speak with Pastor Scott or church members. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the offering plate or sign guest register in narthex.

**Restrooms** are located off the narthex (lobby) by the coat rack.

The worship service is printed in this bulletin. **Hymns** are found in the red hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship. **Children's** active presence is welcomed in our worship. There are special kids bulletins available in the narthex and at the side entrance.

**Offering plates** are passed. Additionally, there is an offering drop box in the narthex. Online giving via cell phone is easy and secure. Just use this QR code from your phone's camera app.



**Our worship** is rooted in the ancient pattern of the church—gathering, word, meal, sending. The shape of this liturgy and much of the actual words/prayers come directly from scripture. Though we make seasonal shifts, the constancy of our worship reflects God's constant love and promises through forgiveness, scripture, and the sacraments of baptism and communion. Following this liturgical pattern, as well as the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of scripture readings, connects us through our worship with Christians around the world and throughout time.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive **Holy Communion**. We believe "Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink." (Small Catechism, Martin Luther) Children who do not yet receive Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

**Website** – Be sure and check our website <u>www.swamplutheran.org</u> regularly for updates and schedules of ongoing activities of the church. Full prayer list is in the newsletter each month.

## GATHERING The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith." WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE IN A MINOR J.S. BACH

congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

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.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

GATHERING HYMN LET THE WHOLE CREATION CRY ELW 876

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

Sit

Children leave for Children's Church

# WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

READING: **Hebrews 11:29—12:2** 

The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this "cloud of witnesses," we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.

<sup>29</sup> By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup> And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup> who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup> Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup> of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup> Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup> since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

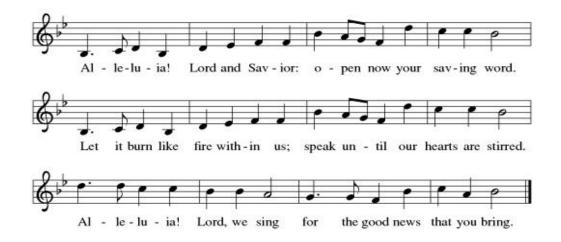
<sup>12:1</sup> Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.

[Jesus said:] <sup>49</sup> "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup> From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup> they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Sit

SERMON

CHILDREN RETURN FROM CHILDREN'S CHURCH

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stand

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

\*that is, the true, universal Christian church of all times and places

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

**PEACE** 

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 

Please share the peace.

Sit

## MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

**O**FFERTORY

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HANDEL

**OFFERING** In addition to the plate, online giving via cell phone is safe and secure. See QR code on the inside cover of this bulletin.

As the offering is brought to the table, the congregation stands and sings.

## Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song



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#### OFFERING PRAYER

### Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

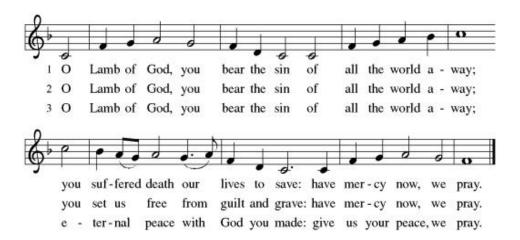
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God remain standing



### THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Following the direction of the ushers, form a circle to receive communion. The bread, cup, and wine will be brought to you. Grape juice and gluten free options are available—tell the usher. After being communed, please return to your seat.

After all have communed, stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.** 

Let us pray.

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

#### SENDING

#### God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

#### **BLESSING**

Amen.

SENDING HYMN I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT ELW 815

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Fugue in A Minor J.S. Bach

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY WE WELCOME** the Rev. Bonnie Oplinger to lead our music ministry. Rev. Oplinger is the retired pastor of Jerusalem Lutheran in Rothsville and former organist at Swamp.

**CONDOLENCES** to the family of Daniel "Ron" Stoner who joined the Church Triumphant on August 4. His Celebration of Life was held at Swamp on August 12. Please keep Joyce and the family in your prayers during this difficult time of

loss. Notes of sympathy for Joyce can be sent to her at 2901 Harrisburg Pike, Room A-7, Landisville, PA 17538.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER - Hunter Leisey, John Frantz, Ed Miller, John Wesner, Jeff Kappenstein, Nettie Kreiner, Clair Sweigart, Faith Moyer, Michael A. Crowther, Reba Ranck, Grace Ranck, Ray Fox, Gene Miller, Jean Wolf, Bobby Hershey, Marilyn Gelsinger, Edith Snyder, Teresa Sweigart, Mel and Troy Ulrich, Earl Myers, Elizabeth Sherman, Judy Habecker, Anna Rose Schannauer, Jerry Landis, Mary Beth Jenkins, Evelyn Gehman, Joan Leed, Ron Adams, Kevin Williams, Karen Laudenslager, Susan Levan, Larry Eberly, Janet Bingaman, Dwayne Dimitris, Gladys Eckenroad, Bonnie Koehle-Koon, Ross Houck, Chris Zander, Kathleen Troutman, Sally Bergman, Keith Reimert, Pam Heisey, Connie Malafarina, Ted Heisey, Regina Reinecker, Karen Klingensmith, Debbie Leed, Sue Van Zant, Alex Merionfeld, Susan Kreitz, Helen Werner, Sandy Clouser, Larry Wolf, Cody Leisey, Lou Smith and the family of Ron Stoner.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in memory of James I. and grandparents Verna and Walter by John and Jerry.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** is given in memory of loved ones by the congregation.

**FLOWERS:** September 14<sup>th</sup> is available to sponsor. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday for the flowers or candle, please contact Sue Kreitz at 717-283-9444 or John Frantz at 717-606-8994.

**FOOD BANK** – Needs of the food bank are ongoing and need replenished monthly. There is a need for canned chicken, tuna, vegetables and fruit. Please check for a current expiration date. Thank you for helping as you are able. We distribute on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month.



Knitters and Crocheters: We have been asked to provide baby blankets for Veteran Families. Please use SOFT yarn with not too loose of a pattern and no more than 32" X 32," but not less than 27" square or rectangular. There are some copies of baby blanket patterns in the library at church where the shawls/blankets are being

collected. We need more boy colors than girl colors.



**GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS.** Sunday September 7th 2025 Service committee would like to have our congregation join the ELCA sponsored service opportunity. This is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as a congregation – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. Service activities offer an opportunity

for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans- an act of service sharing God's grace freely given for all.

How can you be of service?

- 1. Do you know of a local organization that could use a few hours of help?
- 2. Do you know of a neighbor, friend, or fellow member of the congregation that could use a few hours of help around the house/yard area?
- 3. Are you interested in signing up and joining in this fun faith filled service activity?

If you have service ideas please contact Pastor Brubaker or Jodi Showalter. If interested in helping, please sign up on the sign up sheets at the front or back of the church.

**Salem-Kissel Hill & Bergstrasse** congregations invites you, the congregations of the North Lancaster and Lancaster conferences, to participate in our first annual "Weave Together" Community Service Project & Retreat! First up is to invite your friends and neighbors to crochet or knit 12" X 12" single squares using any washable & dryable worsted (4) weight yarn. Any stitch, any color! Drop off completed squares at Salem-Kissel Hill 717-627-0048 or Bergstrasse 717-733-808 before September 21. Be sure to call first to make sure someone is available to receive your squares!

Next - register for the "Weave Together Retreat" happening on Saturday October 3, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm when we will 'weave together' the gathered squares into blankets that will then be distributed to the Lancaster County unhoused populations between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The retreat includes a bible study, lunch, snacks and a wealth of yet to be determined learnings from each other weaving our love and life experience into each blanket.

For those who don't crochet or knit --- there will be plenty of work to be done sorting, gathering, cooking, etc.!

Watch for dates and times when we'll present our gifts to our unhoused neighbors.

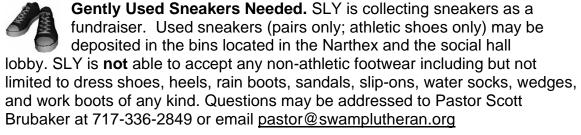
ACTS OF LOVE Lunch Program: A HUGE thank you to all of members of the congregation who donated their time, snacks, and cooking talents for the Acts of Love lunch program! We prepared and served 240 meals. Your support is incredible! A special thank you to Lori, John and the Kitchen Crew for always knowing exactly what to prepare! Thank you! Denise Kidwell Service Committee in order to complete the school kits for Lutheran World Relief school kits during August we need the following items below. Thank you for your support of this ministry. Questions contact Jane Lesher.

To complete School Kits:

 4 - 70 sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper approximately 8"X101/2"

- 5 black or blue pens, secure with rubber band
- 1 box 16 or 24 crayons

#### YOU DO NOT NEED TO INCLUDE THE DRAWSTRING BACKPACK.





#### LIVESTREAM TECHNICIAN

We need volunteers to learn and share in the livestreaming and sound control for Sunday worship. We need additional helpers so that we can create a rotation schedule. If interested or to learn more, contact Pastor Scott.



**August 24**, during the children's sermon, we will give thanks and praise for our children and teachers and the fact that they will have all they need as they begin their school year with our Blessing of the Backpacks. As a manner of encouragement to the excited and

comfort to the anxious, Pastor Scott will invite the teachers and children and their backpacks/work bags to the front for prayer. *Bring your school bags on Aug.24th!* 



The Swamp Lutheran Handbell Choir will be starting their 24th season of ringing and we are looking for some new recruits to join in the fun! Our first practice/meeting will take place on Mon. Sept. 8 at 7:00 in the church sanctuary. No experience is necessary. We are happy to work with beginners at all musical levels. Please

contact Doug Kulp or any member of the Bell Choir for more information. Hope you can join us as we begin our new season!

### **Greeter Schedule August**

17 Jan Risser 24 Ray & Jen Weitzel 31 Jane Lesher

#### **Greeter Schedule September**

7 Josh Garrison 14 Steve & Karen Laudenslager 21 Carl & Louetta Franck 28 John & Carol Chmielewski

### Coffee Schedule August Coffee Schedule for September

3 Denise Kidwell
10 Denise Kidwell
17 Deb Sweigert
24 Deb Sweigert
25 Deb Sweigert
26 Pam Leisey
27 Ray Weitzel
28 Pam Leisey
28 Pam Leisey
29 Deb Sweigert
28 Pam Leisey

## Week in the Parish (August 17 - 24)

August 19	6:00PM	Service Cmt Mtg
August 20	7:00PM	Council Mtg
August 22	2:30PM	Bus leaves for Church Phillies Trip/Game 6:45PM
August 24	8:30PM	Worship w/ Blessing of the Backpacks
August 24	10:00AM	Church Picnic

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 26	7:00PM	Cocalico Builders of Hope
September 1	LABOR DAY	OFFICE CLOSED
September 2	7:00PM	Welcome Cmte
September 7	11:30AM	God's Work, Our Hands
September 8	7:00PM	Bell Choir
September 9	6:00PM	Zoom Bible Study
September 10	1-4:00PM	EASS Food Distribution
September 14	10:00AM	Touch-A-Truck

#### DAILY READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Mon August 18	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 23:30-40 1 John 4:1-6
Tues August 19	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 25:15-29 Acts 7:44-53
Wed August 20	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 25:30-38 Luke 19:45-48
Thurs August 21	Psalm 103:1-8 Numbers 15:32-41 Hebrews 12:3-17
Fri August 22	Psalm 103:1-8 2 Chronicles 8:12-15 Acts 17:1-9
Sat August 23	Psalm 103:1-8 Nehemiah 13:15-22 Luke 6:1-5

## **UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS**

Sun Aug 24 Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 103:1-8 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17



10am (After Worship) | Social Hall

# FREE FOOD, KIDS ACTIVITY, CAKE & COOKIE WALK, SOAK THE PASTOR

We are requesting baked good donations for the cake & cookie walk

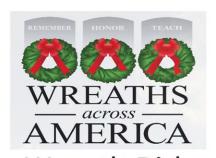
SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT

## **SWAMP LUTHERAN TRIVIA**

Courtesy of Gladys Eckenroad



Questions? Please contact Jen Weitzel @ 717-405-5587



## Wreath Ride Saturday, September 6, 2025 Sponsored by Reinholds VFW Benefits

Swamp Church Cemetery Association Wreaths Across America

Bringyour Bike/Classic Car Registration 9:00 AM • Kickstands up 10:00 AM Reinholds Fire Co.

138 West Main Street, Reinholds

**Events Include:** 

Traveling to American Legion Post 915 on to Fort Indiantown Gap Veterans Cemetery and return to Reinholds VFW (around) 1 PM for LUNCH, Door Prizes, and Raffles! Must have valid photo ID to participate in event Cost: \$25 per Motorcycle, \$10 per Passenger

www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/PASWCC

### Other Readings for this Sunday

#### Jeremiah 23:23-29

Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.

<sup>23</sup> Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup> Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup> I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup> How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup> They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup> Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup> Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

#### Psalm 82

Arise, O God, and rule the earth. (Ps. 82:8)

- <sup>1</sup> God stands to charge the divine coun- <sup>|</sup> cil assembled, giving judgment in the midst <sup>|</sup> of the gods:
- <sup>2</sup> "How long will you | judge unjustly, and show favor | to the wicked?
- <sup>3</sup> Save the weak | and the orphan; defend the hum- | ble and needy;
- <sup>4</sup> rescue the weak | and the poor; deliver them from the power | of the wicked.
- <sup>5</sup> They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a- <sup>1</sup> bout in darkness; all the foundations of the <sup>1</sup> earth are shaken.
- <sup>6</sup> Now I say to you, | 'You are gods, and all of you children of | the Most High;
- <sup>7</sup> nevertheless, you shall <sup>|</sup> die like mortals, and fall like <sup>|</sup> any prince.'"
- 8 Arise, O God, and I rule the earth, for you shall take all nations I for your own.

#### **GOSPEL MESSAGE**

## August 17, 2025 LECTIONARY 20 It's So Confusing

Entering someone else's conversation halfway through can be disorienting. You don't know the context, and you're confused about the background, so you can't really make heads or tails of what's being discussed. Today's gospel reading is kind of like that experience. It's so confusing to hear Jesus talk like this!

But if we're honest with ourselves, we know our world is already full of the divisions Jesus describes. Political divisions have only deepened. Religious divisions cause people to talk over one another. We encounter racial divisions that we're afraid to talk about or even acknowledge, and economic divisions that isolate people according to status and means. Yes, our world is already full of divisions. And what about the tone of this gospel reading? Jesus' sayings are so provocative! With the kind of rhetoric being thrown around in our world today, do we need more alarming words?

When we look closely at the reading and pay attention to the context, we can get a better idea of what exactly Jesus is proposing in these inflammatory sayings. Notice the divisions he mentions here: divisions within families. In the context of the ancient world, the family was the central unit of connection and the source of your identity. The family told you who you were and how you could (or could not) operate.

It is into that kind of ordering, the foundation of identity, that Jesus brings disruption. His point is that in the kingdom of God, whether you were born into wealth or poverty, a family of prestige or one of pandemonium, you are God's beloved child. The message of God in Christ breaks up the social boxes and social games of this world, erasing the dividing lines we already set up for ourselves.

In the death and resurrection of Christ, we're all united in God's family, enjoying a new ordering of identity that breaks down what divides us.

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30AM** 

#### You are Welcome Here!

At Swamp Lutheran Church, *Grace is Spoken Here!* We welcome with full participation and inclusion all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, imprisonment, physical or mental health, socioeconomic circumstances or anything that too often divides us. Together as one in the Spirit, our unity is in Jesus Christ.

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