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— GATHERING —

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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☞ 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.

☞ 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.

(1 John 1:8-9)

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☞ Most merciful God,

☛ **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.**

☞ 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.

☛ **Amen.**

***HYMN, “*For the Beauty of the Earth*”**

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

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2. For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon and stars of light:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

3. For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

4. For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

5. For yourself, best gift divine
To the world so freely giv'n;
Agent of God's grand design,
Peace on earth and joy in heav'n:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

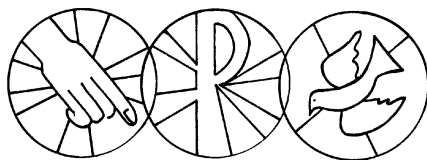
***GREETING**

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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.

(2 Corinthians 13:14)



℟ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

℟ For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

℟ For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

℟ For this holy house, and for all who offer here
their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

☩ Lord, have mercy.

℟ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

☩ Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE, “*This is the Feast*”**

℟ This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**☩ Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

(Revelation 5:12-13, 19:5-9)

☞ The Lord be with you.

☞ **And also with you.** (*Sung*)

☞ Let us pray together . . .

☞ **Loving God and Father,
the blessings of marriage and family
come from your gracious pleasure and careful design.
Lead all who value these gifts
to follow your paths of wisdom
so that they may enjoy the fullness of your love;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHOIR, “*Let the Children Come*”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

CHILDREN’S SONG, “*Jesus Loves Me*”

1. Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong:
They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me! This I know,
As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee,
Saying, “Let them come to Me.”

— WORD —

FIRST READING, Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

The man said, “This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called ‘woman,’ for she was taken out of man.” That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh. (NIV)

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

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📖 Blessed are all who fear the LORD,
who walk in obedience to him.

🙏 **You will eat the fruit of your labor;
blessings and prosperity will be yours.**

📖 Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
within your house;

🙏 **Your children will be like olive shoots
around your table.**

📖 Yes, this will be the blessing
for the man who fears the LORD.

🙏 **May the LORD bless you from Zion;
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.**

**May you live to see your children’s children —
peace be on Israel.**

(NIV)

SECOND READING, Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. But there is a place where someone has testified:

“What is mankind that you are mindful of them,
a son of man that you care for him?
You made them a little lower than the angels;
you crowned them with glory and honor
and put everything under their feet.”

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. He says,

“I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;
in the assembly I will sing your praises.” (NIV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

(John 6:68)

***GOSPEL, Mark 10:2-16**

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

G **Glory to you, O Lord.** *(Sung)*

P Some Pharisees came and tested Jesus by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

“What did Moses command you?” he replied.

They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

“It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied. “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. He answered, “Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

(NIV)

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, O Christ.** *(Sung)*

***HYMN, “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me” LBW Hymn 333**

Green Book

1. Lord, take my hand and lead me
Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me
From day to day.
Without your grace and favor
I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior,
And lead the way.

2. Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear;
For you, the Rock of Ages,
Are always near.
Close by your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
For when your hand is guiding,
In peace I go.

3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen
And night has come,
I know that you will strengthen
My steps toward home,
And nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend!
So, take my hand and lead me
Unto the end.



P Karl Donald Knutson has been instructed in the Christian faith and desires to make public affirmation of his Baptism.

Karl, we rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world.

Dear brother in Christ: In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you a member of his Church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from his Word God's loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been nourished as his holy table and called to be a witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

R I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

R 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.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

R 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.

The prayers are said:

P Let us pray for Karl who is affirming his Baptism
and for all the baptized everywhere.

P That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from
the way of sin and death: Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and
truth: Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your
holy Church: Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P That they may be sent into the world in witness to your love:
Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P That they may be brought to the fullness of your peace and
glory: Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

The minister addresses Karl:

☐ You have made public profession of your faith.
Do you intend to continue in the covenant
God made with you in Holy Baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear his Word and share in his supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ
through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

☒ I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Karl kneels so that prayer may be made for him.

☐ Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made Karl your own. You forgave him all his sins and brought him to newness of life. Continue to strengthen him with the Holy Spirit, and daily increase in him your gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

☑ Amen.

Karl's Confirmation Verse

*Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young,
but set an example for the believers
in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.
1 Timothy 4:12*

The minister lays both hands on Karl's head and prays the confirmation prayer:

☐ Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Karl Donald the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his faith, guide his life, empower him in his serving, give him patience in suffering, and bring him to everlasting life. Amen.

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

The hymn is sung as the offerings are received.

HYMN, “O Jesus, I Have Promised”

LBW Hymn 503

Green Book

1. O Jesus, I have promised
To serve you to the end;
Remain forever near me,
My master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle
If you are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If you will be my guide.

2. Oh, let me feel you near me;
The world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, then draw nearer
To shield my soul from sin.

3. Oh, let me hear you speaking
In accents clear and still
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
Now speak and make me listen,
O Guardian of my soul.

4. O Jesus, you have promised
To all who follow you
That where you are in glory
Your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised
To serve you to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow,
My master and my friend.

Response: **P** Lord, in your mercy,
 C Hear our prayer.

— SACRAMENT —

***GREAT THANKSGIVING** (*Sung*)

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P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***PROPER PREFACE**

P It is indeed right and salutary . . .
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***SANCTUS** (*Sung*)

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Green Book

C Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

(*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*)



***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

℟ 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 testament in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

*(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24)
(Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

***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.

(Matthew 6:9-13)

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who trust that Jesus is true to his promise — giving his body and blood with the bread and wine for you for the forgiveness of your sins — are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray for those who are unable to receive wine for health reasons. During the distribution of Holy Communion, the congregation sings:

☩ Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

(John 1:29)

HYMN, “*Children of the Heavenly Father*”

LBW Hymn 474

Green Book

1. Children of the heav’nly Father
Safely in his bosom gather;
Nestling bird or star in heaven
Such a refuge ne’er was given.

2. God his own doth tend and nourish;
In his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them;
In his mighty arms he bears them.

3. Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord his children sever;
Unto them his grace he showeth,
And their sorrows all he knoweth.

4. Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne’er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.



1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
The fount of life, the light of all:
From ev’ry bliss that earth imparts
We turn, unfilled, to hear your call.

2. Your truth unchanged has ever stood;
You plead with all to call on you;
To those who seek you, you are good;
To those who find you, life is new.

3. We taste you, ever-living bread,
And long to feast upon you still;
We drink of you, the fountain-head;
Our thirsting souls from you we fill.

4. For you our restless spirits yearn,
Where’er our changing lot is cast;
Glad, when your smile on us you turn,
Blest, when by faith we hold you fast.

5. O Jesus, ever with us stay!
Make all our moments fair and bright!
Oh, chase the night of sin away!
Shed o’er the world your holy light.

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HYMN, “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

LBW Hymn 370

Green Book

1. Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The unity of heart and mind
Is like to that above.

2. Before our Father’s throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

3. We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

4. From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.



*It is to just such as these that
the Kingdom of God belongs*

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

℟ The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his holy and precious blood strengthen and keep you in true faith unto life everlasting.

☞ Amen.

***CANTICLE, “Thank the Lord”**

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☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise;

Green Book

Tell ev’ryone what he has done.

**Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord
rejoice and proudly bear his name.**

He recalls his promises

and leads his people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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℟ We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

☞ Amen.

— SENDING —

***BLESSING**

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℟ The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

☞ Amen. (Sung)

(Numbers 6:24-26)

***DISMISSAL**

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℟ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

***HYMN, “Go, My Children, With My Blessing” WOV Hymn 721**

Blue Book

1. “Go, my children, with my blessing,
Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
You are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing,
You are my own.”

2. “Go, my children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
What I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son’s story;
Here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.”

3. “Go, my children, fed and nourished,
Closer to me;
Grow in love and love by serving,
Joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you;
Here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished,
Joyful and free.

4. I the Lord will bless and keep you
And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children; I will keep you
And give you peace.

POSTLUDE

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Alex & family	Don Dubbe
Lenae Ebel	Judy Haiwick
Felicity Kramer	Claire & Maxine Ripley
Violet Rost	Richard Sleep
Treonna Solbie	Guyla Baer Sturgeon
Paul Swisher	Carletta & Steve Vasknetz
Anne Vossler	Jack Wanstedt

David Arnio (brother of Chris Burleson)
Elwood Beulke (brother of Arnie Beulke)
Cherry Bieber (friend of Jon & Shelley Iverson)
Jody Blevins (daughter of Claire & Maxine Ripley)
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)
Kris Eide (sister of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)
Ellen Fiechtner (mother of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)
The Fischer family (friends of Jon & Shelley Iverson)
Dallas Fox (friend of Jordan Smith)
Cheryl Fraijo (daughter of Jean Sneesby)
Ernie Griner (11-year-old friend of Meta Halverson)
Martina Ham (mother of Diane Kunz)
Delmer Hemeyer (brother of Gail Hemeyer)
Ike Iverson (father of Jon Iverson)
Coleen Iverson-Routh (sister of Jon Iverson)
Lin Jennewein (mother of Pastor Jil Jennewein) (in hospice care)
Steve Kampfe (son of Garland and Kathy Kampfe)
Al Kones (brother-in-law of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)
Callie Kvanvig (great niece of Ray Follum)
Pastor Amy Little (NALC General Secretary)
Parker Loll (infant son of Branden & Alyssa Loll)
Karen Miller (sister of Maxine Ripley)
Mitch Palmer (friend of Paul Swisher)
Nancy Porter (friend of Bill and Chris Burleson)
Gordon Pratt (friend of Jon & Shelley Iverson)
Tim Ripley (friend of Paul Swisher)
Melani Roewe (sister of Derek Besler)
Pastor Amy Schiffrin (friend of Pastor David Baer)
Carreen Smith (sister of Mimi Swisher)
Jeremy Sundby (nephew of Claire & Maxine Ripley)
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)
Ryan Thomas (cousin of Mary Tracy)
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)
Chris Waythomas (friend of Rita Shewmake)
Lisa Westberg (daughter-in-law of Tony & Alona Westberg)
Robert Zuhr (brother-in-law of Chris Burleson)

SERVICE TEAM #2 is looking for volunteers to help with serving during October. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the library social room.

GREETING CARDS, NAPKINS AND COOKBOOKS are for sale by the Immanuel Church Women. They are available on the bookshelf in the fellowship hall near the kitchen.

BELLA GALA FOR LIFE is at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Spearfish. This is a fund-raising banquet for Bella Pregnancy Resource Center in Spearfish. For tickets or more information go to *bellapregnancy.com*.

WE ARE REVIEWING our mission giving in preparation for our 2025 budget. If you have any suggestions for ministries that should be included in our giving or any suggested changes in our current giving, please talk to a Church Council member or Pastor David.

THOSE OVER AGE 70½ have the opportunity to take tax-free distributions from their IRAs for direct gifts to churches and other non-profit organizations. This is a significant tax benefit. Talk to your tax advisor, IRA custodian, or Pastor David for more information about Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD).

A PRAYER LIST is printed in the bulletin each week. If you have any additions to the list or corrections, please let Pastor David know.

OUR MISSION OF THE MONTH is Love INC (In the Name of Christ) of Sturgis and the Black Hills. Love INC mobilizes local churches to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ. Our purpose is to walk alongside people on their journey to wholeness through mutual service, education, friendship, and prayer. Our vision is to see people thriving in healthy relationships where they know their value, purpose and place in Christ and our community. Love INC programs include Connection Center, Life INC classes, Clothe-A-Kid, Furniture Ministry, and Diaper Ministry. You can learn more at *loveinonline.com*. Mission of the Month highlights one of the ministries supported through your regular giving to Immanuel.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Today	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
Monday	7:00 a.m. — Men’s Group
Wednesday	4:10 p.m. — Confirmation class
Thursday	5:30 p.m. — Choir
	6:30 p.m. — Light Supper
	6:45 p.m. — Class with Dr. Wessel
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School

WE ARE UPDATING OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY. If you have a new address or phone number or if there are other changes you’d like on your page in our church directory, please get those changes to Linda Beulke or Pastor David. If you’d like a new photo, you can get that to them too. If you worship at Immanuel, we’d like you to be in our directory. Remember that our directory is loose leaf so that we can update it regularly.

NALC DISASTER RESPONSE is responding to recent hurricanes and other disasters. You can learn more about current disasters or give online at www.thenalc.org. You may also designate a gift for NALC Disaster Response through the offering or mail your gift to 2113 Harwood Road, Suite 309; PMB 409; Bedford, TX 76021-4703.

2024 ELECTION INFORMATION is available on a table in the library social room. There are sample ballots for Lawrence County and Meade County as well as the official pro-con information on the ballot questions (constitutional amendments, initiated measures and a referred law). This information is provided to help you in your Christian vocation as a citizen. Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 5. You may vote early your county courthouse anytime before election day.

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping with us today. We especially welcome our visitors. If you are unfamiliar with our worship, one of our members will gladly assist you. Visitors, please be sure to sign the guest register in the narthex. We hope that you will worship with us again soon.



AFFIRMING HIS BAPTISM today is Karl Knutson. He will make a public profession of the faith into which he was baptized. We rejoice as Karl expresses his intention to continue in the covenant God made with him in Holy Baptism and to assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world.

ALL ARE INVITED to stay for a time of fellowship following worship. We are serving cake today in honor of our confirmand.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10:25 a.m. on Sundays in the library social room. “The Truth Project” is the focus of our Adult Sunday School class this fall. The Truth Project is a video curriculum which teaches a Christian worldview. Everyone is encouraged to come.

A MEN’S GROUP meets at 7 a.m. on Mondays at the church. They are currently studying the book of Mark. All men are welcome. Talk to Mark Tracy or Jon Iverson for more information.

WHITEWOOD KIDS CLUB — our Wednesday night children’s ministry — meets from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. each week. Kids Club is designed for children Age 4 through Grade 5. For more information about Kids Club or to volunteer to help with Kids Club, talk to Brit Porterfield or Pastor David. There is no Kids Club this week because of a schedule conflict.

THURSDAY EVENING CLASS: Dr. Doug Wessel is teaching a course entitled, “Questions About Evil and Suffering: Philosophical, Theological and Psychological Perspectives” at Immanuel on three Thursday nights in October. The class is offered at 6:45 p.m. and is preceded by a light meal. Dr. Wessel is a retired professor of psychology from Black Hills State University.