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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, August 23, 2026

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM – Worship, YouTube

Sunday, August 30, 2026

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM – Worship, YouTube

Music Notes



Some of the songs we will be singing this Sunday can be heard on the links below.

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=USQn4IUms20>

“Holy, Holy, Holy” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oS7GpNWGcRU>

“Let Us Break Bread Together” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xX47HvMEqBo>

“Blessed Assurance” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H1VMHEMOMZY>

“How Great Thou Art” https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yf6C0L_7-CA

Full Lectionary for August 23, 2026;

1st Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6

Psalm

Psalm 138

2nd Reading

Romans 12:1-8

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

Full Lectionary for August 30, 2026;

1st Reading

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm

Psalm 26:1-8

2nd Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Parament Color Is **Green**

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Happy August Birthday !!

Mary Kaye Owen	8/2	Steve Edwards	8/19
Steve Vonderau	8/12	Tom Alvord	8/20

Happy August Anniversary !!

Jay & Carol Thompson	8/2	Dennis & Judy Krumwiede	8/17
Steve & Julie Edwards	8/8	Dick & Lori Schmidt	8/18
		Ron & Sharon Johnson	8/27

WHAT HAPPENS IN HEAVEN WHEN WE PRAY?

I dreamt I went to Heaven and an angel was showing me around. We walked side-by-side inside a large workroom filled with angels. My angel guide stopped in front of the first section and said, **“This is the Receiving Station. Here, all petitions to God said in prayer are received.”** I looked around the area, and it was terribly busy with so many angels sorting out petitions written on voluminous paper sheets and scraps from people all over the world.

Then we moved on down a long corridor and we reached the second section. The angel then said to me, **“This is the Packaging and Delivery Section. Here, the graces and blessings the people asked for are processed and delivered to the living persons who asked for them”.** I noticed again how busy it was in there. There were many angels working hard at that station, since so many blessings had been requested and were being packaged for delivery to Earth.

Finally, at the farthest end of the long corridor, we stopped at the door of a very small section. To my great surprise, only one angel was seated there, idly doing nothing. **“This is the Acknowledgment Section,”** my angel friend quietly admitted to me. He seemed embarrassed. “How is it that there is no work going on here?” I asked. “So sad,” the angel sighed. “After people receive the blessings that they ask for, very few send back acknowledgments.” “How does one acknowledge God’s blessings?” I asked. “Simple,” the angel answered. Just say, “Thank you, Lord.” “What blessings should you acknowledge?”, I asked.

“If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep you are richer than 75% of this world. If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish, you are among the top 8% of the world’s wealthy, and if you get this on your own computer, you are part of the 1% in the world who has that opportunity. If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the many who will not even survive this day. If you have never experienced the fear in battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of hunger...You are ahead of 700 million people in the world. If you can attend a church without the fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death you are envied by, and more blessed than three billion people in the world. If your parents are still alive and still married...you are very rare. If you can hold your head up and smile, you are not the norm, you’re unique to all those in doubt and despair...”.

“Ok,” I said. “What now? How can I start?” The Angel said, “If you can read this message, you just received a double blessing in that someone was thinking of you as very special and you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world who cannot read at all.”

PRAYER ROOM

"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise."
James 3:18 (ESV)

Watch over those who put themselves in harm's way to protect us and grant peace of mind to the families who love and miss them. We praise you for continuing to protect:

Josh Jepsen, USAF (moving to Aviano, Italy)
Elijah Lundberg, USMC Yuma, AZ

Ivan Daubenspeck (Reserves)
Owen Daubenspeck (Reserves)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost loved ones recently:

Family and friends of **Larry Stickney**

Family and friends of **Carol Brennan**

Relieve pain for all who suffer in any way and restore them to good health of body, mind, and spirit. Encourage them and strengthen their caregivers:

Maurice Hedlund
Jeff Brennan
Bill Marsh
Debbi Zavadil
Duane Claiborne
Carolyn Martin
Roger Lawrence

Darlene Luberts
Jothi Holmes
Amy Braafladt
Lena Duggan
Lori Schmidt
Shana Carlson
Tina (daughter of Judy Williams)
Julie Mendoza (Heidi Sturdivant)

Cindy Dzubay (Bonnie Socey's daughter)
Terry (and caregiver Ron)
Cheryl Hedlund's aunt, Sue
David Martin (son of Bob and Nancy Martin)
Sue Doll (sister-in-law of Duane & Valerie)
Johnny Beck (son of Sharlene Parker & brother of Toni Sherman)

Ronnie Cordell (Bob Martin's cousin)
John Owen (Dan Owen's cousin)

Grant discernment, wisdom, and courage to leaders within the church and world. Raise servants to accomplish Your will. May Your will be evident in all decisions and actions.

Living Word Members
Victims of War in Ukraine and Israel/Middle East

Living Word Leaders

Persecuted Christians
Elected Government Officials

Prayer and praise for healing and continued recovery:

Bonnie Socey
Kitty Jepsen (is doing well and wishes to thank everyone for their prayers)

Jan Williams (sister in law of Judy Williams)

Thank you, LORD, for hearing and answering our prayers – even when you do so differently than we would prefer. We pray in the holy and mighty name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen

Names in Bold are new additions. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list. Otherwise, requests are removed after a month.
