

Peace Lutheran Church

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 29, 2021

As We Gather In the beginning of Mark 7 Jesus emphasized how God's Word is a matter not only of outward appearance and obedience but of the heart. The same must be said about God's Law. According to the bare words, God's Law seems only to accuse us and reveal our sin. The heart of God's love, works through His Law to point us to His grace revealed in Jesus and makes it possible for us to say with deep conviction, "Lord, I love Your Law," "Your testimonies are wonderful" (*Psalms 119:129*), and sing, "The Law of God Is Good and Wise," for because Christ came near to us He fulfilled God's Law and set us free.

Attention Visitors We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God's forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ's body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God's forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

“Across the Lands”



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1. You're the Word of God the
2. Yet You left the gaze of
3. With a shout You rose vic



Fa-ther from be-fore the world be- gan; Ev-ery star and ev-ery pla- net has been
an- gels, came to seek and save the lost and ex- changed the joy of Heav- en for the
tor-ious, wres-ting vic - t'ry from the grave and as - cend - ed in - to Heav- en, lead ing



fas- hioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - get - her by the po - wer of Your
an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hung - ry, with a word You calmed the
cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the Fath - er, in - ter - ced - ing for Your



Refrain

voice. Let the skies de - clare Your glo - ry; let the land and seas re - joice.
sea; Yet how sil - ent - ly You suf - fered, that the guil - ty may go free. } You're the
own; From each tribe and tongue and na - tion You are lead - ing sin - ners home.



Au - thor of cre - a - tion, You're the Lord of ev - ery man, and Your



cry of love rings out a - cross the lands.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Turn to me, O LORD, and be gracious to me,

People: as is Your way with those who love Your name.

Pastor: Make Your face shine upon Your servant,

People: and teach me Your statutes.

Pastor: From within, out of the heart, come evil thoughts,

People: and they defile a person.

Psalm 119:132, 135; Mark 7:21, 23

(There is silence to call to mind our sins.)

Pastor: Because our hearts are sick with evil thoughts and foolishness,

People: we turn to You, Lord, and repent and beg Your mercy.

Pastor: We have not loved You or Your Word with our whole heart.

People: Our love for one another has been half-hearted. Have mercy on us, Lord, forgive us and renew us in Your grace.

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE “Glory to God, We Give You”



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
*(God's Law shows His care for His people, who dare not forget His
righteous statutes and rules)*

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 6:10-20
(The Armor of God)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

MUSIC OFFERING "Day by Day" *arranged by Betty J Price*
Handbells: Linda Young
Guitar: Kevin Krumdieck

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 7:14-23
(Sin from the heart defiles.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.
People: Glory to You, O Lord!

(The Gospel is read.)

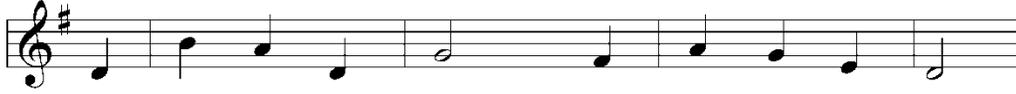
Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Be Strong in the Lord”



1 Be strong in the Lord In armor of light,
2 In - teg - ri - ty gird You round to im - part
3 With ea - ger - ness shod Stand firm in your place,
4 Though Sa - tan pre - sume To test you and try,



With hel - met and sword, With shield for the fight;
The truth of His Word As truth in your heart;
Or go forth for God With news of His grace;
In hel - met and plume Your head shall be high;



On prayer be de - pen - dent, Be belt - ed and shod,
His righ - teous - ness wear - ing As breast - plate of mail,
No foe shall dis - arm you Nor force you to yield,
Be - set by temp - ta - tion Be true to your Lord,



In breast - plate re - splen - dent: The armor of God.
His vic - to - ry shar - ing, Be strong to pre - vail.
No ar - row can harm you With faith as your shield.
Your hel - met sal - va - tion And Scrip - ture your sword.

5 So wield well your blade,
Rejoice in its pow'rs,
Fight on undismayed
For Jesus is ours!
Then in Him victorious
Your armor lay down,
To praise, ever glorious,
His cross and His crown.

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MESSAGE

If You're Hoping To Stand More Than A Ghost Of A Chance
To Win This Life's Spiritual Battles,
You'd Better Suit Up With God's Gear

Ephesians 6:10-20

CONFESSION OF FAITH (NICENE CREED)

**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 Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father.
And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose
kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son
together is worshipped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in 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**

OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew.)

VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards”



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

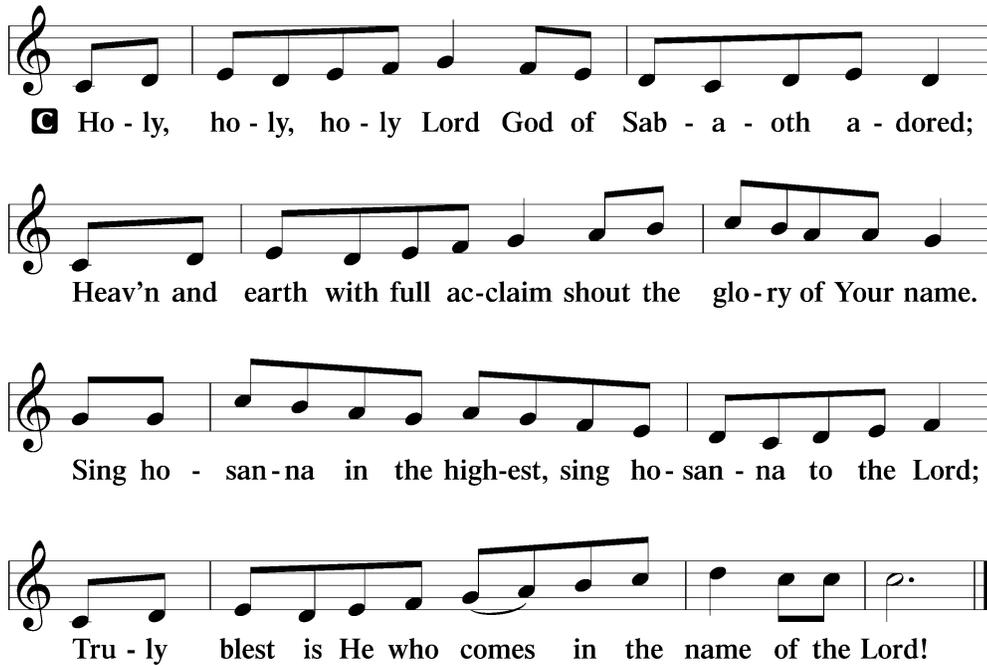
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**All: 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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: And also with you.

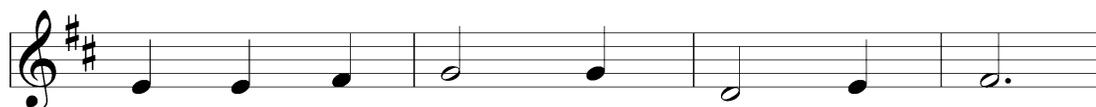
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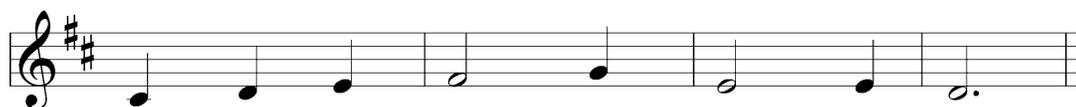
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Please be seated)

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”



1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, My eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow For my a - bid - ing place;



The shad - ow of a might - y rock With - in a wea - ry land,
The ver - y dy - ing form of one Who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of his face;



A home with - in a wil - der - ness, A rest up - on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, Two won - ders I con - fess:
Con - tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,



From the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat And bur - dens of the day.
The won - der of his glo - rious love And my un - wor - thi - ness.
My sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all, the cross.

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”



1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care,
2 *Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my pe - ti - tion bear*



1 And bids me at my Fa - ther's throne Make all my wants and wish-es known:
2 *To Him whose truth and faith - ful - ness En - gage the wait - ing soul to bless:*



1 In sea - sons of dis - tress and grief My soul has oft - en found re - lief,
2 *And since He bids me seek His face, Be - lieve His Word, and trust His grace,*



1 And oft es - caped the tempt - er's snare By thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.
2 *I'll cast on Him my ev - ery care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.*

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share?
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be-cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

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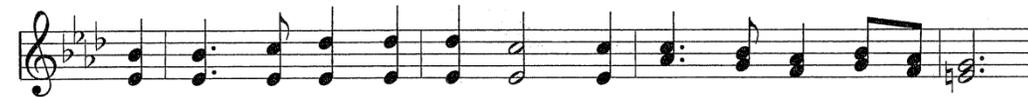
"I Love to Tell the Story"



1 I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: How pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best



Of Je - sus and his glo - ry, Of Je - sus and his love.
What seems, each time I tell it, More won - der - ful - ly sweet!
Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, For some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
The mes - sage of sal - va - tion From God's own ho - ly Word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.



I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo - ry



And tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and his love.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to You. The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you His peace.

People: Amen.

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY September 5, 2021

	8:00am	9:30am	11:00am
Elder:	Tom Waddell	Dave Hutter/ Bob Weaver	Al Bosman
Greeters:			Donna Pickler
Readers:	Blaine Wanke	Brian Nomi	Mike Elbert
Acolytes:	Judy Nomi		Marisa Denninger
Ushers:	Bob Lacy Jim DeVries		Dave Schmidt Roy Poehler
Altar Care:	Linda Young		
Organist:	Karen Foote		

THIS WEEK AT PEACE August 29, 2021

Today: 8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Communion Services
9:30 am Praise Service (FH)
9:30 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeehouse)
10:42 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeehouse)
1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: *Office closed* ++++++

Tuesday: ++++++

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers
6:00 pm High School Bible Study

Thursday: 6:45 am Men's Bible Study
9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study
10:00 am LifeLight Bible Study via zoom

Friday ++++++

Saturday: 10:00 am-noon Praise Band practice

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 29, 2021

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY-This study of "Joshua" is on **Thursdays**, at 6:45am with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Our study will also be available on Zoom. For more info, call Dave Hutter (805)386-7007.

THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY- A Zoom Bible study on **Thursdays**, at 10AM, will explore a new 5 week video lesson by Ray Vander Laan on Thursdays @ 10 AM, "God heard their cry". This video is filmed on location at these biblically significant sites. Contact Blaine or Diana Wanke 805-465-0485 if you would like to watch this series.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets @ 9:30AM in rotating homes, with a study of the Gospel of John. If you have any questions please call Dave Schmidt @ 805-482-3867.

TUESDAY TITUS WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets 9/7 at 10am in the Coffee House. For more information contact Kerry DeVries @ 805-482-7989 or at devriesscientific@hotmail.com

HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME 9/9 @ 5:45PM- Consider joining us and learn how to ring the beautiful English Brass Handbells as a member of our ensemble. Questions or concerns call Linda La Jeunesse at the church office.

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME 9/9 @ 7PM -Come join us in praise, as we rejoice in a new season of hope and thanksgiving for all our blessings. Questions or concerns, call Linda La Jeunesse at the church office.

PRAYER CHAIN- If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail footsteps@verizon.net.

THE FOOD BANK- Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex. All donations will be taken to the pantry on a weekly basis. Shelf stable milk, cereal, canned vegetables, tuna, and peanut butter are always needed, but all non-perishable, unexpired donations are greatly appreciated. The pantry serves our Camarillo seniors and families that need a helping hand. We thank you for your continued support.

IN-SERVICE CHILD CARE NEEDED- We are planning to re-open our Nursery in the Fellowship Hall, and are in need of 2 people to care for the children during the 9:30am & the 11am service. This is a paid position. Please contact the church office, if you are interested.

CALLING ALL ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS- The Altar Committee is once again looking for volunteers for the remainder of the year. Call Linda Young at 805-236-4820 or Carol Yung at 805-987-5952.

LUTHER'S ATTIC NEEDS VOLUNTEERS- To help call or see Nancy Fitch, 805-484-5900 or Carol Yung 805-987-5952.

MANY MEALS-We are looking for an onsite liaison/coordinator for our once monthly hosting of Many Meals at the Presbyterian Church in Camarillo. They are planning to restart this ministry mid-September. If you are interested in becoming a part of this outreach, please contact Irene Hutchison. Thank You!

SAVE THE DATE!- Covid rules permitting, it is that time of year again for Elder BBQs. We will be having them on **September 12th & 19th**. We are asking members to bring desserts if they are able, along with an appetite. Tri tip, chicken, beans, bread, salad, fruit and drinks will be provided. Please come to one or both events! This is also a great time to invite friends and family. We hope to see you all there!

Our Semi-annual Voters Meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, September 7th at 6:30 PM.

This Voters Meeting will focus on the June 30, 2021, Year-end Financial Report, the 2021/2022 Spending Plans for the Church and Preschool, approval of Officer and Board nominations for the 2021 – 2022 year. **The meeting will be conducted via Zoom (logon and instructions to be forthcoming).** Please note that the Ballot and the Financial Reports / Spending Plans will be posted on the white board outside the Fellowship Hall by Sunday, August 22, 2021. They will also be distributed to Voters by email. Your Council looks forward to seeing you on Zoom and hope that all voters can attend this weeknight Voters Meeting!!!

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL! Your social concerns ministry was able to send 27 filled backpacks to Lutheran Social Services! Fourteen were for elementary age children, five were for middle school and eight were for high school age children. Your support was most generous and all extra supplies were given for future needs. You have helped to lighten the burden for these families in transition! Thank you.
Social Concerns

FALL IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, and so is the next Blood Drive! This **Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Saturday, September 25, 2021** from **9:30AM to 2:00PM** in the Fellowship Hall. If you are a young adult, sixteen or seventeen with parental permission or a ninety-nine year old, you are eligible to donate. If you have donated in the past, please donate again. If you have never donated, now is the time to give it a try. During this pandemic time, the need for blood is even greater than in the past. Signups will be taken following the services in September. If you have any questions, call Linda Young at...
805-236-4820.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray for...

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Lili Baehr, Barbara (Diana Wanke's sister), Brandee Brand, Edith Braukis, Terry Breckinridge, Marshall Denninger, Mike Elbert, Bill Fitch, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Larry Goesch, Ken Haugrud, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Jacque Hendricks (Pat Massey's daughter in-law), Rick Mahlke, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mark Reuter, Toni Rizer, Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Shelton (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Don Schultz, Dale Sieber, Llewyn Rae Spencer (grandson of Gary & Char Spencer), David Stafford, Gertrude Stenke, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Bev Toro, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Elle Zorkocy.

Pray for all military men and women especially: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Palos, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Amy Waddell, Lucas Wentland.

Also remember their families in your prayers.