

**IN OUR THOUGHTS/PRAYERS:** *Mick Pytlik (Marleen's son), Kate Lehr (Pat Beil's grandniece);* Others we hold in our hearts & those in need; Community leaders (Mayor, Commissioners, Police/Sheriff Dept.); COVID Cares/deaths; Casa de Fe (orphanage/ Ecuador); Central African Rep. (C.A.R./companion synod; Luth. World Relief; *PEACE*



**“TRINITY FAMILY” TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK:** Chad & Tanya COUTURE (Racheal & Brinley, Keegan), Carol & John CRANDALL (Nicolai, Noel), Elaine DAHL, Jerry & Michelle DAHL

**TODAY, September 19, 2021—PENTECOST 17 Sunday**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Welcome to you who are visitors among us; please sign our guest book, take a “Welcome” bag home, and do come worship with us again. *To those of you looking for a church home, we invite you to join this community of faith, as we seek to grow and serve in God's grace and love. “Love God. Love Others.”*

**THIS WEEK at TLC:**

**TODAY, Sept. 19th, 2021—We're glad you're here!**

**9 a.m.** Sunday School (PreK-gr. 6)

**10 a.m. WORSHIP/Holy Communion**

**Tuesday, Sept. 21st: 10:30 a.m.** Bible study **12 p.m.** WELCA

**5 p.m.** Altar Guild meeting

**Wednesday, Sept. 22nd: 9 a.m.** Quilters **1 p.m.** Gr. 7 & 8 Confirmation class *(early school dismissal)*

**Thursday, Sept. 23rd:** *October Newsletter items due into TLC office*

**NEXT Sun., Sept. 26th: PENTECOST 18 Sunday**

**9 a.m.** Sunday School (PreK-gr. 6)

**10 a.m. WORSHIP** with Shar Gumke (Eastern ND ELCA Synod office)

*\*Please stay for an informal forum (with Shar) after Worship. Treats provided!*

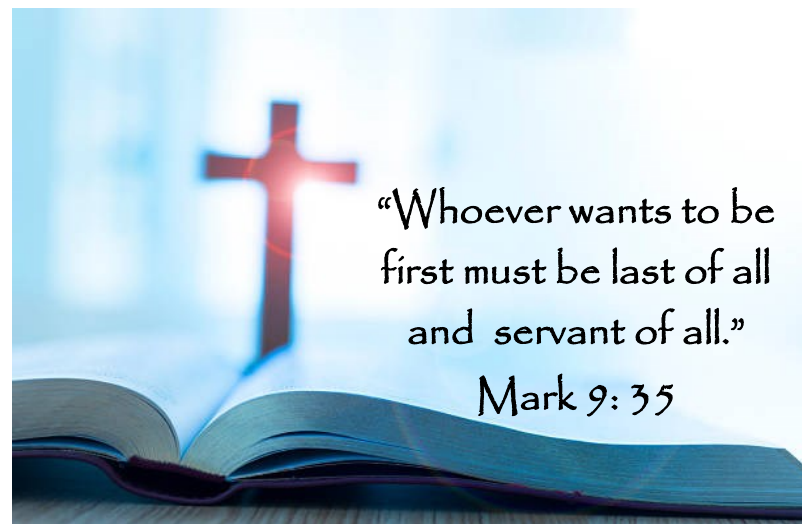


Can you help?? Our school kits for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) are almost complete, but we are **still in need of 70 notebooks... either wide-ruled or college-ruled (the 70-sheet kind).** Please drop off notebooks by 9/30 to the TLC Gathering Area. Thanks!

# GATHERING TO WORSHIP

September 19, 2021 - 10 a.m.

*17th Sunday after PENTECOST*



“Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.”

Mark 9: 35

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God's work. Our hands.

\*Please stand, in body or in spirit.

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Blest be the GOD of Love,

C: **Whose splendor fills all the earth!**

**OUR CONFESSION & GOD'S FORGIVENESS:**

P: Most merciful God,

C: **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.**

\***GATHERING HYMN:** "Spirit of Gentleness" #396

\***APOSTOLIC GREETING** (C: And also with you.)

\***KYRIE** (*spoken*), pg. 138 ELW

\***PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*Today's Readings insert*)

**RESPONSIVE PSALM** Psalm 54

**SECOND READING** James 3:13—4:3, 7-8



\***Gospel Acclamation:** "Come Now O Word of God" (D. Haas)

(*Amy sings first time through, congregation joins in second time*)

**"Fill our minds, that we may hear your wisdom; touch our lips, that we may speak your truth; hold our hearts, that we may always follow you; come now, O Word of God."**

\***GOSPEL READING:** Mark 9: 30-37

**SERMON** "Why Would I Do That?"

**HYMN:** "Children of the Heavenly Father" #781

**APOSTLE'S CREED**, pg. 104 ELW

**OUR PRAYERS/INTERCESSIONS** (C: *Lord, hear our prayer.*)

**OUR TITHES/OFFERINGS**

\***Offertory:** "We Give Thee But Thine Own" #686

\***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**, p. 144 (*spoken*)

*All are welcome to join us in celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion, believing the Risen Christ is present with us in the bread and wine, assuring us of GOD's love and forgiveness.*

**HOLY COMMUNION/Kneel or stand at Communion rail**



(*Please receive the bread in your hand and place your empty cup in the side basket. Gluten-free bread/juice are available. If to be served in your pew, please raise your hand after pianist served.*)

\***THE BLESSING** (C: Amen!)

\***SENDING HYMN** "Praise, Praise, Praise" #875

\***P: Go in peace...** (C: Thanks be to God!)

**POSTLUDE**



**THE LORD'S PRAYER**



Father, yours is the glory.  
Father, yours is the power.  
Father, yours is the kingdom.  
Father, deliver us from evil;  
lead us not into temptation'

forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
give us this day our daily bread.

Father, your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven;  
your kingdom come;  
hallowed be your name.

In heaven.

Our Father.

Amen.

— Herbert F. Brokering —

**OUR "THANKS!" TO THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY:**



**Pianist:** Amy Anderson **TLC Council Greeter:** Linda Anderson

**Reader/Communion Assist.:** Sharon Anundson **Usher:** Jerry Yokom

**Acolyte:** Teagan Zaun