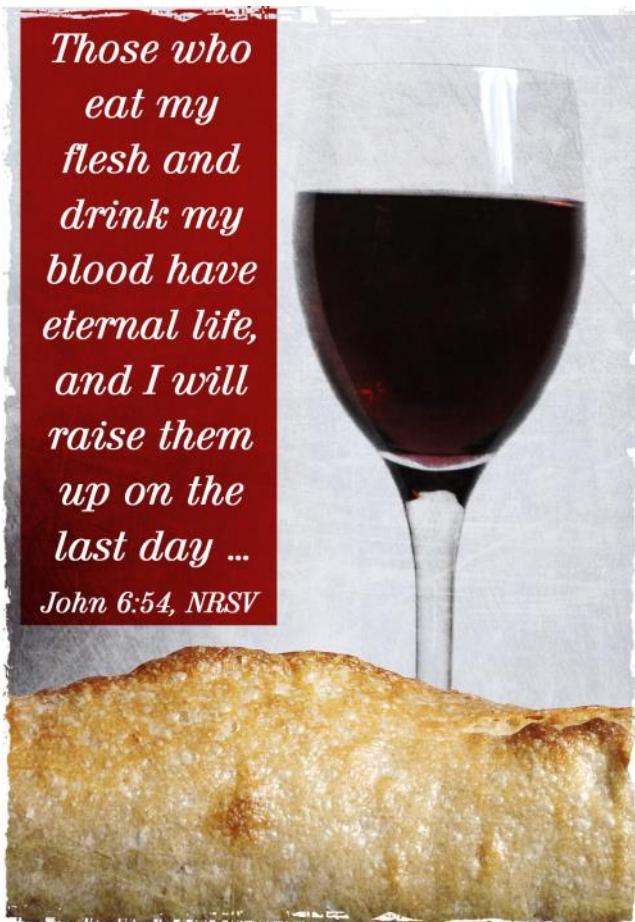


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# ***WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN***

*Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.*

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*Those who  
eat my  
flesh and  
drink my  
blood have  
eternal life,  
and I will  
raise them  
up on the  
last day ...*

*John 6:54, NRSV*

***First Lutheran Church  
Tiffin, Ohio***

***August 18, 2024***

***“The 13th Sunday after  
Pentecost”***

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## ***PRELUDE***

*A VA DE*

*Tim Fields*

*Partita on Come, Let Us Eat*

*I. Theme*

*II. Variation on the Theme*

*IV. Happily, somewhat detached*

*Please stand.*

## **THE CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: **Amen.**

L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sins:

*A time of silence and self reflection is provided.*

P: God, our provider,

C: **Help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God:

In Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: **Amen.**

# *GATHERING HYMN*

# 468

## *AROUND YOU, O LORD JESUS*



1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still  
2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;  
3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath



to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.  
your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.  
we will be true and nev - er—in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my  
It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your  
de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"  
bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.  
dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. composite  
Music: O JESU, ÄN DE DINA, H. Thomissön, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569  
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# *GREETING*

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.

## **THE GATHERING LITANY**

L: You are the treasured people of the Lord.

C: **A people holy to the Lord our God.**

L: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart, teach them to your children.

C: **Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

L: For one does not live by bread alone,

C: **But by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's  
people on earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Lord God, heav - enly  
king, \_\_\_\_\_ al-might-y God and Fa-ther,  
we wor-ship you, \_\_\_\_\_ we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to  
God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on  
earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Lord Je - sus Christ, \_\_\_\_\_

on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord

God, Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sin of the world: have mer - cy, have

mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, you a -

lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the

Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## *PRAYER OF THE DAY*

P: Let us pray together, Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world.

C: **Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually. This we pray in the name of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

# *A READING FROM PROVERBS*

9:1-6

R: A reading from Proverbs the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.

<sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.

<sup>3</sup> She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town,

<sup>4</sup> “You that are simple, turn in here!” To those without sense she says,

<sup>5</sup>“Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

<sup>6</sup> Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

R: The Word of the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***A READING FROM EPHESIANS***

**5:15-20**

R: A reading from Ephesians the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>15</sup> Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R: The Word of the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

## ***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION***

*Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia.

# ***A READING FROM JOHN***

**6:51-58**

P: This is the Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

P: Jesus said,] <sup>51</sup> “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” <sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup> for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup> Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord



Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

# **TODAY'S REFLECTION**

*Vicar Jacinda Jones*

*Please stand.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**# 491**

### ***COME, LET US EAT***

Cantor



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.  
in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.  
rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.

Cantor



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.  
in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.

Music: A VA DE. Billema Kwillia, adapt.

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## **THE CREED**

L: In Christ, we have heard the word of truth, the gospel of our salvation.

C: **We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C: **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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*We respond to each petition.*

L: Merciful God  
C: **Receive our prayer.**

## **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*You are encouraged to share the Peace of Christ with those around you as you feel comfortable.*

## **OFFERING & ORGAN MEDITATION**

*BUNESSAN*

*Paul Manz*

*Praise and Thanksgiving, Opus 21, No. 2*

*Please stand.*

## **THE PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION**

L: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C: **Amen.**

# **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**



The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, common time, with a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line of text corresponding to a specific melodic line. The lyrics are:

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## **PROPER PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# ***SANCTUS***

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

Lord God of Pow'r and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed,

bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - - san - na in the high - est.

## ***THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER***

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In your mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal light and life.

We give thanks to you for the gift of salvation that you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in this holy supper.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: In the night 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 to remember 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 to remember me.

## ***LORD'S PRAYER***

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

C: **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.**

*Please be seated.*

## ***INVITATION TO COMMUNION***

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

*Communion is distributed in two manners at First Lutheran.*

- *You may commune in your pews. Individual communion kits are available at the Narthex Doors. Pastor will share a blessing and all communing in place will commune together.*
- *You may come forward, where you will receive the bread from pastor and a small cup of wine from the worship assistant. Cups can be disposed of in a basket located by our projector.*

# *AGNUS DEI*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

# COMMUNION HYMN

# 485

## *I AM THE BREAD*

*The verses will be sung by our Cantor.  
The Congregation is invited to sing the refrain.*

*Refrain*  
All

“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

and I will raise you up on the last day.”

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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*Please stand.*

## ***THE TABLE BLESSING***

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

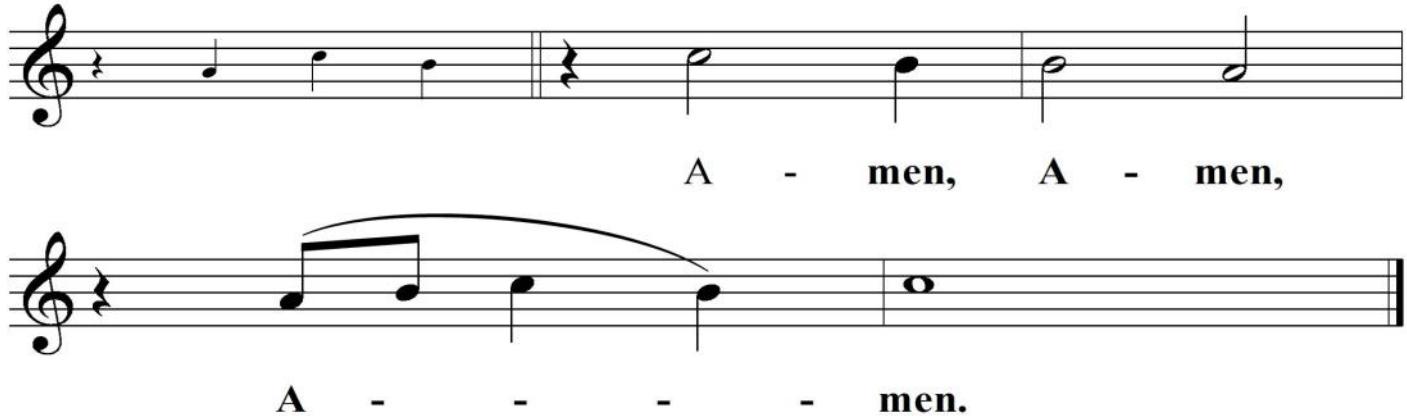
## ***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION***

L: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

## ***THE BENEDICTION***

P: May God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be with you now and forever.



A - men, A - men,

A - - - - men.

# SENDING SONG

# 689

## PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things  
2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our  
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's  
4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the  
neigh-bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work  
guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -  
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.  
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.  
joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.  
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.

Music: BUNESSAN. Gache tune

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# THE SENDING

L: Go in peace!  
P: You are the body of Christ!  
C: **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

*I AM THE BREAD*

*Jeffrey Honoré*

*Fanfare & Trumpet Tune  
on  
I Am the Bread of Life*

*Today's  
Worship Leaders*

**Cantor:** Elijah Shiley  
**Facebook Camera:** Wendy Bailey  
**Reader:** Melissa Chester  
**Host:** Nominee Family  
**Slide Show Operator:** Andrew Bailey  
**Guest Vicar:** Jacinda Jones

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## This Week's Calendar

<b>Sunday</b>	August 18
10:00 am	Worship on The 13th Sunday of Pentecost
<b>Monday</b>	August 19
1:30 pm	Bookworms
<b>Thursday</b>	August 22
1:00 pm	West Ohio Food Bank
<b>Next Sunday</b>	August 25
10:00 am	Worship on The 14th Sunday of Pentecost

## Handicap Parking

The handicap parking on the south side of the building have deteriorated making it difficult for members using walkers and wheelchairs to enter the building. We have a very generous church member who is willing to donate \$5,000.00 towards the project. We would like to challenge the congregation to match the donated funds. Cost for the south side is \$7,800 to repave all away across the driveway and \$4,536.00 to pave halfway across the drive. The handicap parking spots on the North side of the building are uneven. There are spots that are sinking, causing unsafe walking conditions. The cost for this project is \$6,875.00

Anyone interested in making a donation may contact the office or place it in the offering plate marked PAVEMENT.

## Welcome our Special Guest



Jacinda Jones

Today we welcome Jacinda Jones, as she brings the Gospel to life for us today. Pastor got to know Jacinda through teaching the Synod's Diakonia classes. Through her studies she felt the Call to ministry, and has been attending Seminary. Pastor Bailey is grateful for her worship leadership and is honored to partner with her as they lead worship together this weekend.

## News from the Pews

Pastor will be attending a Spirituality Retreat the week of August 26th.



## Cookies

Cookie Sign up sheets are located on the Dietz Room wall. Fellowship time is before and after Church Service. Approximately 4 dozen cookies are needed each week.



## The West Ohio Food Bank will be here



### Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> Distributing begins at 1p.m.

If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance please share the invitation to come and let the WOBF help fill their food pantries.

## LWR Bookbags

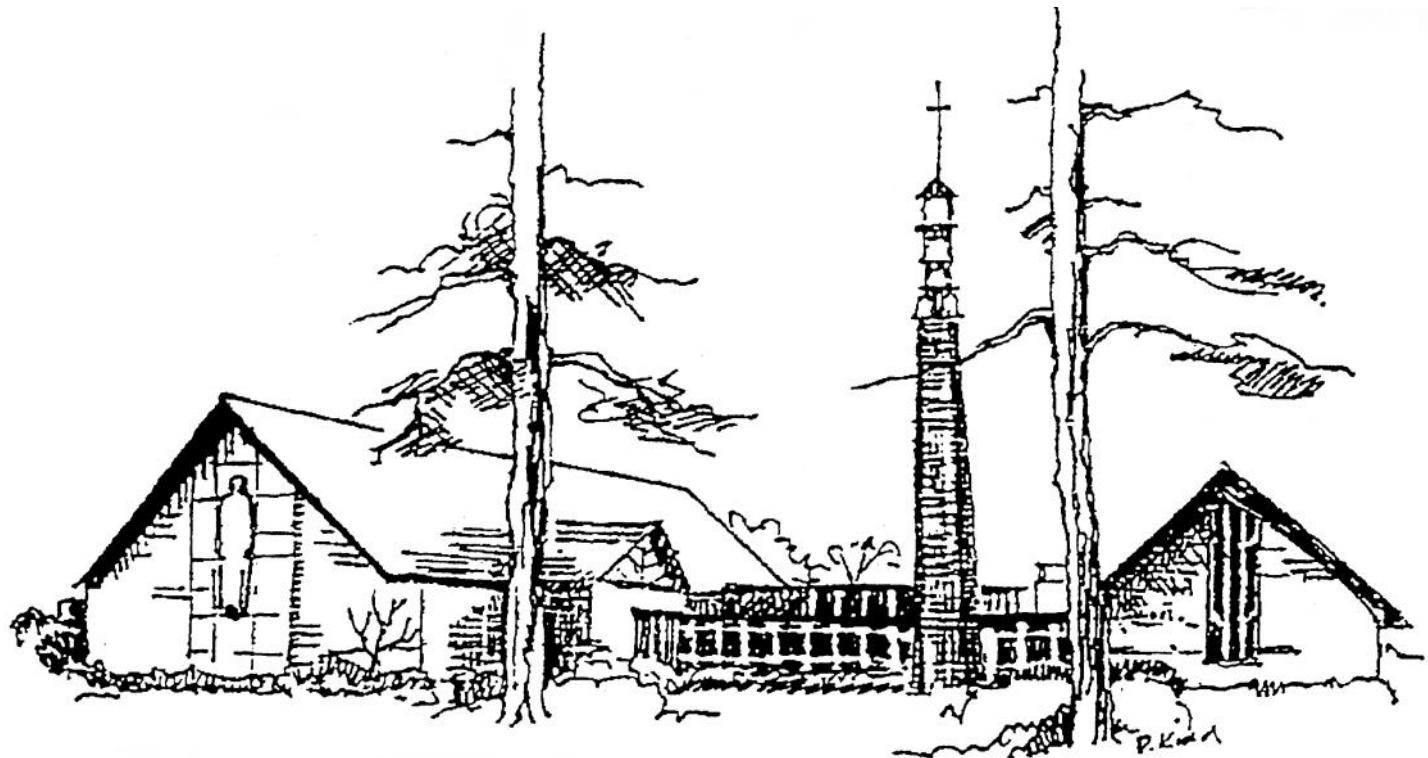


The supply list for LWR is very, very specific. Perhaps as you are out and about and come across good sales on supplies you could help fill our bookbags.

Any extra supplies, or supplies that do not conform to the LWR standards will be donated locally.

### We are still in need of the following items:

70 sheet notebooks  
boxes of 16 or 24 count crayons  
unsharpened #2 pencils w/erasers  
black or blue ballpoint pens  
pencil sharpeners  
30-centimeter rulers



## *Our Mission Statement*

**“God is among us!”**  
**“We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel,  
forgive, reconcile and trust God for all that we need.”**