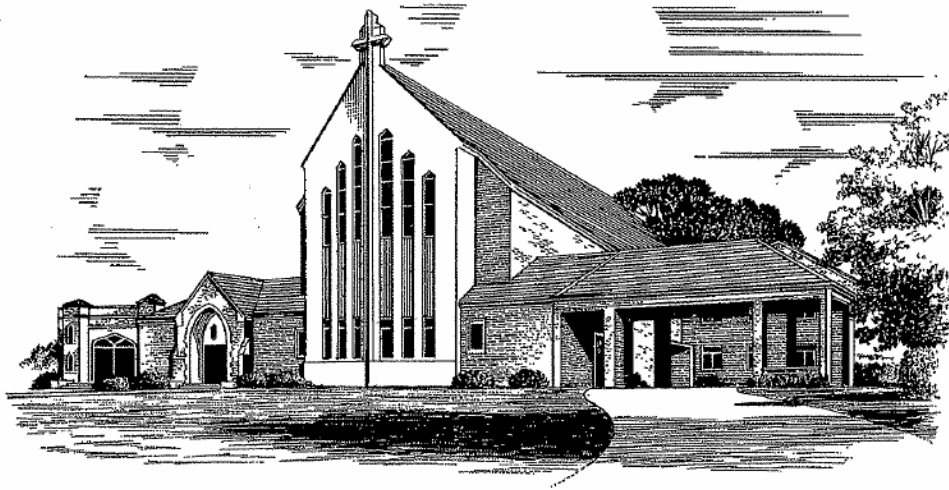


# Macedonia Evangelical Lutheran Church



*"When I was in want...my needs were supplied  
by the people who came from Macedonia."*

*II Corinthians 11:9*

**Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**November 16, 2008**

**8:15 & 10:30 Worship Service**

# MACEDONIA'S MISSION STATEMENT

**Mission:** A community of believers responding to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through faith, worship and action.

**Vision:** That Christ might have first place in everything. (Col. 1:18)

- *Invest in youth and family life.*
- *Support and develop education programs.*
- *Build community by developing strong Christian fellowship.*
- *Improve communication including the effective use of technology.*

- *Think beyond ourselves to be involved in local synodical and churchwide programs.*
- *Strengthen and develop programs to attract others to Christ.*

- *Increase cooperation and mission opportunities with Lutheran Retirement Ministries.*
- *Encourage an attitude that promotes the development of new ministries.*
- *Identify and use the talents of the congregation to meet the needs of the church and community.*

November 16, 2008  
Twenty Seventh Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Holy Communion  
Setting One – 8:15 & 10:30 (ELW)

**The Marks of Discipleship: I will strive to . . .**

- + Pray daily
- + Worship weekly
- + Read the Bible daily
- + Serve at and beyond Macedonia Evangelical Lutheran Church
- + Be in Relationship with others to encourage spiritual growth
- + Give of my time, talents and resources in a generous manner and to the glory of God

**INTRODUCTION**

*Our readings during November speak of the end times. Zephaniah proclaims that the coming day of the Lord will be filled with wrath and distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake and sober. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ's coming among us.*

*P = Pastor*

*C = Congregation*

*A = Assistant*

**PRELUDE (8:15)**                      *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*                      setting by J. Bender

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please prepare yourself for worship during the Prelude)*

**PRELUDE (10:30)**                      *Awake, Awake to Love and Work*                      arr. W. Held

*Stand*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P**            In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C**            **Amen**

**P**            God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C**            **Amen**

**P**            Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Kneel/Sit*

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**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. Amen.

**P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

**C** Amen

**GATHERING SONG**

*O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts*

**ELW 658** (*Red Hymnal*)


**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.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** (*Men Sing 1 only, Women Sing 2 only, All Sing 3 & Refrain*)


*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen

TEMPLE TALK

Diane Robinson

**FIRST READING***Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18*

**A** A reading from Zephaniah chapter 1.

Zephaniah (like the prophet Amos in last week's first reading) presents the day of the Lord as one of judgment and wrath. Descriptions of the last day in the New Testament include details taken from Old Testament accounts of the day of the Lord.

7Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is at hand;  
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,  
he has consecrated his guests.

12At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,  
and I will punish the people  
who rest complacently on their dregs,  
those who say in their hearts,  
"The LORD will not do good,  
nor will he do harm."

13Their wealth shall be plundered,  
and their houses laid waste.  
Though they build houses,  
they shall not inhabit them;  
though they plant vineyards,  
they shall not drink wine from them.

14The great day of the LORD is near,  
near and hastening fast;  
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,  
the warrior cries aloud there.

15That day will be a day of wrath,  
a day of distress and anguish,  
a day of ruin and devastation,  
a day of darkness and gloom,  
a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16a day of trumpet blast and battle cry  
against the fortified cities  
and against the lofty battlements.

17I will bring such distress upon people  
that they shall walk like the blind;  
because they have sinned against the LORD,  
their blood shall be poured out like dust,  
and their flesh like dung.

18Neither their silver nor their gold  
will be able to save them  
on the day of the LORD's wrath;  
in the fire of his passion  
the whole earth shall be consumed;

for a full, a terrible end  
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

A A reading from 1 Thessalonians chapter five.

*Though we do not know and cannot calculate the day of Christ's return, we live faithfully in the here and now as we anticipate the day when we will be given eternal salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

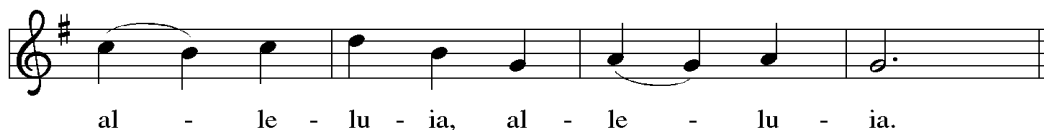
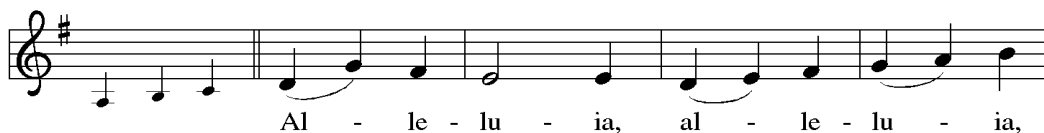
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. 2For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; 5for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. 6So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; 7for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. 8But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Repeat alleluia*



**GOSPEL**      *Matthew 25:14–30*

**P**      The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

**C**      **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus tells a parable about his second coming, indicating that it is not sufficient merely to maintain things as they are. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.*

14For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. 17In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. 18But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?' 27Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

**P**      The Gospel of the Lord.

**C**      **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**Pastor John Weinbach**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Christ, Be Our Light*

**ELW 715** (*Red Hymnal*)

**CREED**

**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.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**A** Gathered with the saints by the river of life and surrounded by the great cloud of their witness, let us pray for the well-being of the church of God, the peace of the whole world, and the welfare of all people.

*Kneel/Sit for a brief silence of reflection.*

**A** Judging God, without your mercy we are left with only our fear. Look upon the efforts of local, national, and international relief organizations with your favor, that those they touch will know security, safety, and solace. We pray in hope,

**C make all things new.**

**A** Creating God, without your pervasive presence we are left with only ourselves. Motivate and equip us to use our gifts and abilities to their fullest, that the goodness of your grace in the world you made will multiply. We pray in hope,

**C make all things new.**

**A** Saving God, without your love we are left with only our limited goodness. Release us from all attempts to save ourselves, and renew in us a trust in the death and resurrection of your Son for us and our salvation. We pray in hope,

**C make all things new.**

**A** Giving God, without your generosity we are left with only our own resources. Open our hearts to your extravagance in our lives, that the mission of this congregation would be uplifted by cheerful givers and faithful stewards. We pray in hope,

**C make all things new.**

**A** Satisfying God, without your abundance we are left with only our need. Fill the emptiness of all who suffer illness, hunger, malnutrition, distress, or any devastation, that they would be filled with your overflowing compassion. We pray in hope,

**C** **make all things new.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**A** Consuming God, without your grace we are left with only our own efforts. Give us a glimpse of your eternal throne, that with all the faithful departed of every time and place we may praise your name and join their unending hymn. We pray in hope,

**C** **make all things new.**

**P** All blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be yours, O God, through Christ the crucified and risen one.

**C** **Amen**

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

### **OFFERING**

**ORGAN OFFERTORY** (8:15) *Songs from Taiz'e* J. Berthier

**CHOIR ANTHEM** (10:30) *Soon and Very Soon* A. Crouch

**OFFERTORY HYMN** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* **ELW 182** (*Red Hymnal*)

### **THE PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray.

**A** Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The second staff has a double bar line after the second measure. The third and fourth staves end with a final double bar line.

## THE PREFACE *(Spoken by the Pastor)*

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**P** 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 covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C** **Our Father in heaven,**  
**hallowed be your name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done,**  
**on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
**as we forgive those**  
**who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours,**  
**now and forever. Amen**

## COMMUNION

**P** Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.  
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

**A** The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*And each person may respond Amen.*

## LAMB OF GOD (Sing Twice)



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

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*Bread of Life from Heaven  
 This Little Light of Mine*

**ELW 474** (Red Hymnal)  
**ELW 677** (Red Hymnal)

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -  
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the  
 sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions  
 and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
 Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

## PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

**A** Let us pray.

**A** God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

## BLESSING

**P** The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*Rise, Shine, You People!*

**ELW 665** (*Red Hymnal*)

## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE (8:15)

*Allegro non Troppo*

F. Mendelssohn  
setting by J. Kimball

(10:30)

*Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

arr. D. Cherwien

**With genuine joy, we welcome** all of you here today. Please join us as we seek God's guidance in our lives.

**Visitors!** We are delighted you are with us. Please give us your name, address and phone number on a Welcome Card in the pew pocket or in the Friendship Register.

The **Altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of J. V. Tickle, Jr., Gary Tickle and Chris Crumpler by Alyse Tickle and family.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Boyd Black, Joan Blomberg, Gary Britt, Alice Hunley, Amanda Klusman, David Millsbaugh, Eloise Oliver, Aubrey, Laura & Brian Parks, John Tarbox, Flat Rock Playhouse, the family of Rev. Robert Edessell, the family of Bill Harrison, the family of Sam Lewis. (*Requests are to be renewed weekly by contacting the church office.*)

**Loaves and Fishes** – For the month of November please bring saltine crackers, jelly & toilet paper.

We welcome **Pastor John Weinbach**, a retired ELCA Pastor, living in Gibsonville, to our chancel area this morning. Pastor Rust and Joy are in Wayne, Ohio today due to her father, Bill's death which occurred in November 12, 2008. Pray for healing and a safe arrival home for the Rust family!

The celebration of **First Communion** for our young people and their families has been rescheduled for Sunday, November 30, 2008 during the 10:30 worship service.

The **CHERUB CHOIR** will not meet today. The event will be rescheduled for a later time.

**Youth in Grades 6-12** will meet at the church at 6:15 p.m. tonight to travel to Twin Lakes where we will tour the Memory Care Center. Following that we will join the residents in a "Sing Along," asking for favorites from the residents and the kids. We will end with dinner at CiCi's (\$5.00).

**Chrismon Workshop** will meet Tuesday, November 18, at 7:00 pm.

The **N & N** have a new breakfast location. Come and have breakfast this Wednesday morning 8:00 a.m. at Grill Worx, 1233 W Webb Ave, Burlington. Contact Bill Poovey for further information at 227-7596.

**FOSTER CHILDREN's Christmas** . . . you've probably noticed the tree in the narthex with names on the "ornaments." These represent Alamance County children in foster care. If you'd like to take part by providing for these children who have so little, please see one of the committee members before or after church, who will explain how this ministry works. Provide one gift or several items on their "wish list" or make a check payable to **Foster Children's Christmas Fund**. We'll be set up November 9 and November 16 in the narthex. Other times, call Vicky Hunley at 584-3407. Bring all gifts to the church by November 24th.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, November 23** at noon in the sanctuary. All confirmed members in good standing are asked to be there. After the meeting, we will gather in Luther Hall for a delicious *hamburger soup luncheon* sponsored by the Social Ministry committee. Donations for the meal will be taken. All Proceeds will be given to the community ministries that we support.

**THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE & PIE FEST!** We gather in our sanctuary on Wednesday, November 26 at 7:00 p.m. to celebrate Holy Communion. We give our thanks to God for our many blessings and we are asking everyone who comes to bring a bag of groceries and place them in front of the altar. They will be given to *Loaves and Fishes!* Following the service we will meet in Luther Hall for a Pie Festival. We ask that every family bring a pie to share and come and join us in thanksgiving!

## ALSO SCHEDULED THIS WEEK

- Today            FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 8:15    Worship/Communion
  - 9:30    Sunday School
  - 10:30    Worship/Communion
  - 4:45    Reformation Ringers
  - 6:15    *Middle & High School Youth Meeting*
  - 6:30    Circle #7
- Monday           - 9:00    Good Shepherd Kitchen
- 4:00    Crossways I, #6
  - 7:00    Boy Scouts
- Tuesday           - 9:00    WELCA Bible Study
- 10:30    WELCA Board
  - 12:00    Downtown Clergy Luncheon
  - 4:30    Macedonia Ringers
  - 5:15    Melody Choir
  - 5:30    Cherub Choir
  - 7:00    Chrismon Workshop
- Wednesday       - 8:00    N & N's (*Grill Worx - 1233 W. Webb Ave.*)
- 7:30    Chancel Choir
- Thursday           - 1:00    Young-In-Heart
- Sunday (11/23)   - 8:15    Worship/Communion
- 9:30    Sunday School
  - 10:30    Worship/Communion
  - 4:45    Reformation Ringers
  - 5:30    8th & 9th Grade Confirmation
  - 6:15    *Middle & High School Youth Meeting*
  - 6:30    Crossways II, #39

Offering (11/09)    General: \$10,153.76    Capital: \$773.00

Hymns For Healing CD: \$3,600.00    Poinsettias Purchased: 84 (*Way to go!!*)

Attendance (11/09)    SS: 80    (8:15): 67    (10:30): 154



## **Fear Not—Give of Abundance**

All this talk of talents used wisely and unwisely is just a bit disconcerting. Although today's gospel specifically refers to talents as money, it is difficult for us to hear this reading and not relate it to the talents and gifts that we have been given.

Whatever God gives us is to be invested, not buried because we don't know what to do with it. Not hidden because we are afraid of God's wrath if we don't do what we think God intends us to do with it. Fear can be a very powerful tranquilizer. For many people, fear is the dominant power in their life. They hoard their money and possessions, because they are afraid of losing them or having them taken away. They hide their talents and gifts, because they are afraid that more will be asked of them than they are willing to give. When we live in fear, our focus is drawn inward and we are not able to share what God has given us.

In the baptismal liturgy we are called to reject the devil and all the devil's empty promises. In those baptismal waters we are washed clean and raised to new life in Christ, so that the fear and doubt that threatens to overtake us finally does not have the last word on our lives. We can trust that Jesus Christ, who walked 40 days in the desert, who wept at Gethsemane and called out to God the Father from the cross, felt fear and knows our fear. But he will not let us remain in bondage to it. In Christ we are freed to share what we have been given knowing and trusting that, where much is shared, much will be given—in abundance.

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**November 16, 2008**

**Twenty seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Monday	Psalm 9:1-14, Zechariah 1:7-17, Romans 2:1-11
Tuesday	Psalm 9:1-14, Zechariah 2:1-5; 5:1-4, 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18
Wednesday	Psalm 9:1-14, Job 16:1-21, Matthew 24:45-51
Thursday	Psalm 95:1-7a, 1 Kings 22:13-23, Revelation 14:1-11
Friday	Psalm 95:1-7a, 1 Chronicles 17:1-15, Revelation 22:1-9
Saturday	Psalm 95:1-7a, Isaiah 44:21-28, Matthew 12:46-50

The *2009 Flower Chart* is now up outside of the church office. Please sign up for a date to provide flowers for our sanctuary during worship services next year. Also, those of you who have perm ant dates in place , please call the church office to verify.

## 2009 Flower Chart Schedule

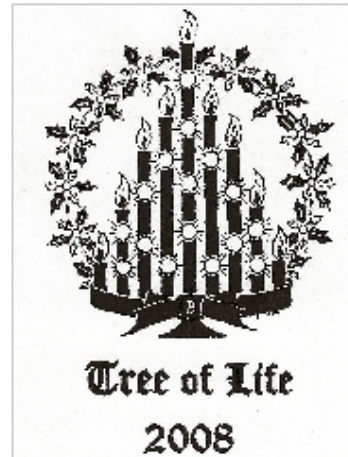
01/04/09		07/05/09 John & Xylda Gee (P)
01/11/09 Harold & Peggy Fogleman (P)		07/12/09 Paul & Gail Cobb (P)
01/18/09		07/19/09
01/25/09		07/26/09
02/01/09 Eloise Bryan (P)		08/02/09 Nancy Simeonsson (P)
02/08/09		08/09/09
02/15/09		08/16/09
02/22/09 Alda Hahn (P)		08/23/09
03/01/09		
03/08/09		09/06/09 Bill & Connie Poovey (P)
03/15/09		09/13/09
03/22/09		09/20/09
03/29/09		09/27/09
04/05/09	Palm Sunday	10/04/09 Eloise Bryan (P)
04/12/09	Easter Sunday	10/11/09 Danny & Beth Van Fleet (P)
04/19/09 Shawn Easter (P)		10/18/09 Ingeborg Warschow (P)
04/26/09 Rusty O'Kelly (P)		10/25/09 Boyd & Betsy Black (P)
05/03/09		11/01/09 John & Sharon Walker (P)
05/10/09 Men of Macedonia (P)	Mother's Day	11/08/09
05/17/09		11/15/09 Tickle Family (P)
05/24/09		11/22/09 Betsy Black (P)
05/31/09		11/29/09
06/07/09 Marina Wilder (P)		12/06/09
06/14/09		12/13/09 Grace Roth (P)
06/21/09 Ladies Bible Class (P)	Father's Day	12/20/09 Paul & Gail Cobb (P)
06/28/09		12/27/09

## TWIN LAKES AUXILIARY NEWS

Twin Lakes Auxiliary is again sponsoring the **TREE OF LIFE**. For those of you who are new to our community, **THE TREE OF LIFE** offers everyone an opportunity to memorialize or honor the people who have touched your life in a special way by placing a light on the **TREE OF LIFE** outside Foley Chapel. A minimum of \$5 is requested for each person you wish to remember. An acknowledgement card with your name will be sent to each

honored person(s) or the family of the memorialized person(s). Your name and theirs will also be recorded in the **HONOR AND MEMORY BOOK** which is on display in Foley Chapel year round.

The lights will be placed on the tree and lighted at a beautiful and meaningful dedication service on *Sunday, December 14, 2008, at 5:30 PM,* in Foley Chapel in the Health Care building. Anyone who wishes is invited to attend this dedication service. In order for your names to be recorded in the **HONOR AND MEMORY BOOK** by the time of the dedication service, they will have to be received by Friday, December 5, 2008. Donations can be made after that date until December 31, 2008. Our goal this year is to raise \$12,000 to purchase hand bells and choir chimes. A generous donor has offered to match each gift. A flyer with additional information and forms to make your donation are available in the narthex and the church office. Participating in the **TREE OF LIFE** is a meaningful way to honor your loved ones.



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Director, Chancel Choir and Reformation Ringers .....	Sylvia R. Crews
Organist (8:15).....	Mary Anne Dettman
Organist (10:30).....	Joy H. Rust
Organist Emeritus .....	Terry G. Woodings
Director, Cherub Choir.....	Joy H. Rust
Director, Macedonia Ringers and Melody Choir .....	Sylvia R. Crews
Sunday School Superintendent.....	Ruth W. Matkins
Crucifer.....	Kyle Rippenhagen
Acolytes.....	Rachel Spencer, Kari Spencer
Children's Message .....	.....
Lay Reader .....	(8:15) Mel Petersen. ....(10:30) Ruth Matkins
Communion Preparer .....	Dan Voelkert
Communion Assistant .....	(8:15) Frank Rhue. ....(10:30) Dave Robinson
Greeters .....	Debbie Gunyan, Elizabeth Murray, Max Sigmon, Betty Sigmon
Nursery Attendants.....	Heilig Barnwell, Paige Claypool
Ushers.....	Tommy Turner-Chief
Sound System .....	Rich Semmel
Dust Covers.....	LaVonne Rhue, Debbie Gunyan

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