

## IN OUR PRAYERS

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Today: *Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Divine Service 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship until 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday: GriefShare 10:30 a.m. (Church Conference)  
Graceful Thread 3:00 p.m.  
Endowment Committee 6:00 p.m.  
Church Council 7:00 p.m.

Thursday: Quilters 9:00 a.m.  
Divine Service 6:30 p.m.

Sunday: *Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Divine Service 9:30 a.m.  
Voters' Meeting 10:45 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preacher: *Rev. Dr. William L. Morris*  
Liturgist: *Rev. Richard E. Mundt*  
Organist: *Mr. Brian J. Heinlein*  
Acolytes: Sadie Cowling (6:30pm)  
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## Our Communion Practice

*We welcome those who are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations to commune with us. We believe that Christ gave us His true body and blood under the forms of bread and wine in the sacrament for the strengthening of our faith, for the assurance of our forgiveness, and for the grace of God to live a God-pleasing life. We come to the Lord's Table repenting of our sins, believing in Jesus Christ for forgiveness, and with the prayerful intention to amend our sinful lives with the help of the Holy Spirit.*

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“The Compassion of Jesus”

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# † Ninth Sunday after Pentecost †

**Introit** *Psalm 147:7-11; antiphon: Psalm 145:16*

You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

**Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;\***

**make melody to our God | on the lyre!**

**He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;\***

**he makes grass grow | on the hills.**

**He gives to the | beasts their food,\***

**and to the young ravens | that cry.**

**His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,\***

**nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,**

**but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\***

**in those who hope in his | steadfast love.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 23:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

## Epistle *Ephesians 2:11-22*

<sup>11</sup>Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup>by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup>And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup>in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

## Holy Gospel *Mark 6:30-44*

<sup>30</sup>The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup>And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup>Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” <sup>37</sup>But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” <sup>39</sup>Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup>So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup>And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup>And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup>And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. <sup>44</sup>And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

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**G Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

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**G Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL

**G Glory to You, O Lord.**

**G Praise to You, O Christ.**

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SERMON

Text: Mark 6:30-44

Theme: “The Compassion of Jesus”

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**G Hear our prayer.**

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