

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 27, 2025 9:30 AM



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

"We live in Christ and share God's love with all people."

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Welcome to worship at Christ Lutheran Church! For all attending, we invite you to sign in on the friendship pad in your pew.

We gratefully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homelands of the Lummi Nation of the Coast Salish language group who have stewarded this land since time immemorial, and we commit to the ongoing care of our shared land and relationships with its indigenous peoples.

For our younger friends there are busy bags and worship buddies available in the back of the church. You are welcome to bring your child to the Pray Ground (accessed outside the sanctuary entrance) for any portion of the service, where you can listen to the service through a speaker.

Hearing assist units and large print bulletins are available as you enter the sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance with these or any part of the worship service.

*We encourage you to participate in worship at your comfort level. **The congregation reads the bold print and** stands as they are able.*

SUNDAY, JULY 27 | PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Presiding: Pr. Emma Donohew

Greeter: Carol Gahm

Ushers: Gary & Carolyn Jonson

Communion Assistant: Carol Soderlund

Reader: Karen Birdsall

Prayers of Intercession: Dave Schlack

Team: Matt Springer, Jenise Clausen, Anna Malpica, Steve Andres

Cantor: Erin Beebe

Piano/Organ: Don Clausen

Violin: Joanne Donnellan

Flute: Nancy Tupper

Altar Guild: Betty Behee

Livestream Technician: Beth Andres

Soundboard Technician: Sam McGrady

Liturgical Setting: WOV, Setting 5

STAFF PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

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Dave Schlack, Care Pastor: 360-768-8452

Rev. Liza Okan, preschool director: preschooldirector@clcferndale.org

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Sunday — July 27, 2025 — 9:30am

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"THERE IS JOY IN THE LORD"
"OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART"

CLC TEAM
CLC TEAM

WELCOME

DAVE SODERLUND

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PR. EMMA DONOHEW

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

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

Merciful God,

**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and
follow our own way.**

**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and
peace, but we turn away from the
abundant life you offer.**

**You surround us with patience,
kindness, and generosity, but we
grow weary in doing what is right.**

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

**Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.**

Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of † Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new
creation.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"ALL ARE WELCOME"

ELW# 641

GREETING

PR. EMMA

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

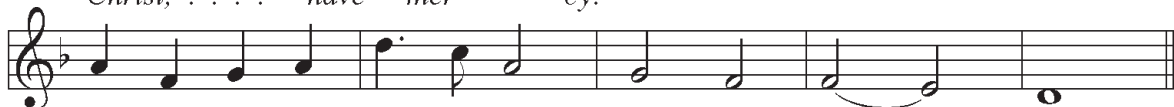
KYRIE



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: GLORY TO GOD



C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



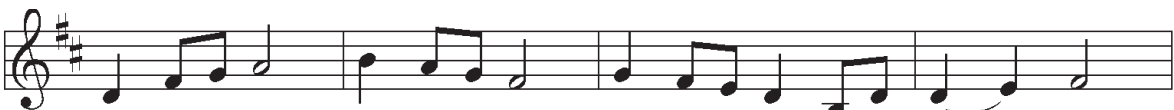
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we



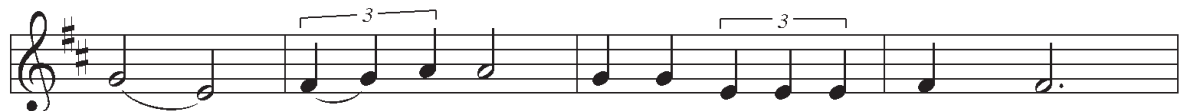
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



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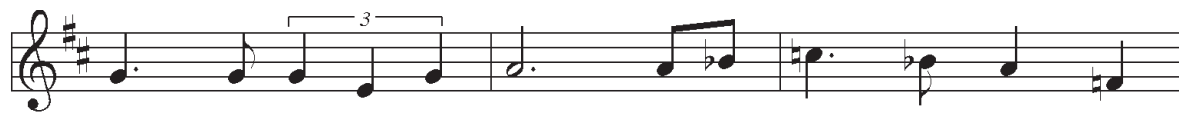
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



II 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 on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



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II 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.

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Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PR. EMMA

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty and ever-living God,

you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy.

Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:20-32

²⁰Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know."

²²So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that

the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³²Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: PSALM 138

¹I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

**²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because
of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name
and your word above all things.**

³When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.

**⁴All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵They will sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.

**⁶The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save
me.

**⁸You will make good your purpose for me; O Lord, your steadfast love
endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:6-15[16-19]

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [

¹⁶Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food or drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or Sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the body belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, initiatory visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with a growth that is from God.]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 11:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."² So he said to them,

"When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? ¹³If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PR. EMMA

MESSAGE

PR. EMMA

HYMN OF THE DAY

"THIS IS MY SONG"

ELW #887

APOSTLES' CREED

PR. EMMA

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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 dead².**

**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

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Loving God, create in your church a desire for union with you in prayer. Raise up leaders to teach Christ's devotion to prayer and model Christ's way of prayer, until all people experience prayerful intimacy with you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Reveal to humanity the sacredness of all creation. With the breath of your Spirit, realign the balances of nature. Grant persistence in prayer and action for the sake of the earth, our common home. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Teach rulers of the earth to sing of your ways, caring for the lowly and having no preference for the powerful. Direct the heart of every person to seek your will on earth as in heaven. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

To all whose prayers are cries for help, give your good gifts, and satisfy their deepest needs. Gather them to your constant, loving presence, that they may rest in the confidence of life with you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Center the ministries of this assembly on prayer and service. Guide our relationships in the wider community, being ready to assist those who seek help. Strengthen feeding, clothing, and housing ministries and community partnerships. Help us to grow in our loving acceptance and affirmation of all people, that we may be a place of safety in this community. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Be with our pastor Leigh during her time away. Renew her in mind and spirit during her time away and return her refreshed and strengthened for her ministry among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for all who have gone before us. May we trust your steadfast love and continue in hope until we are united with all your saints. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

PR. EMMA

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may be seated.

MEAL

GIFT OF MUSIC

"I WILL PRAISE THE LORD"
- BY CLAUSEN & DON CORSON

ANNA MALPICA
JENISE CLAUSEN
ERIN BEEBE

CALL FOR OFFERING

PR. EMMA

Stewardship is a response of gratitude and thanksgiving for what God has done for us. You are invited to respond to God's gifts with your own financial gifts through the offering. You may use offering envelopes (found at the end of the hymnal rack) or give using any of these ways:

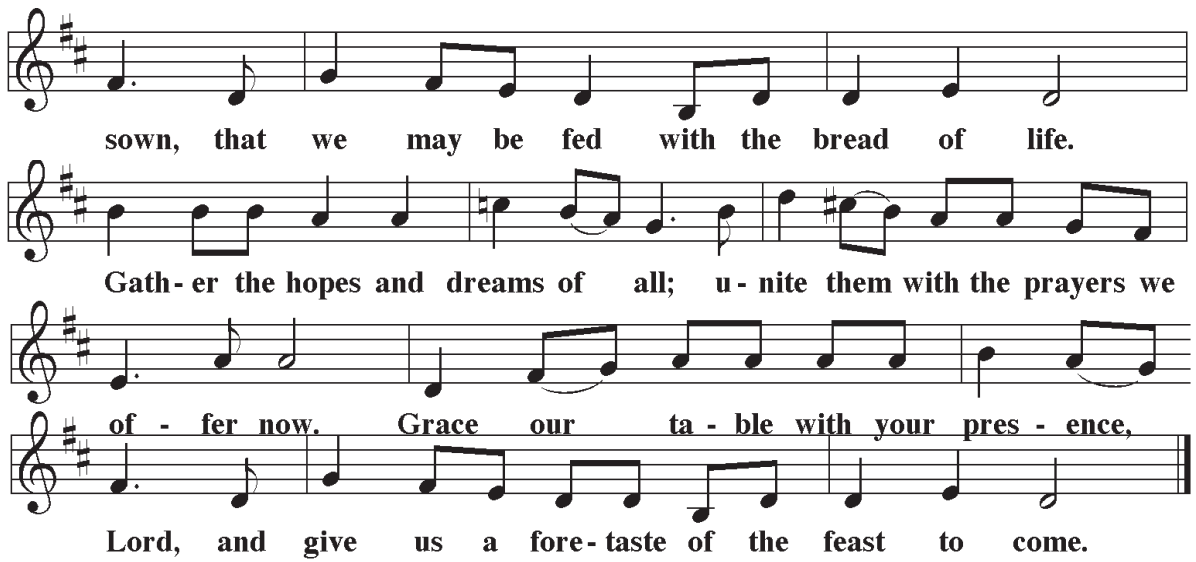
- Mail checks to the CLC P.O. Box 845 or send a check through your bank's Bill Pay service. Please be sure to add "Attn: Financial Secretary" to the envelope;
- Give through the Church Center App (use QR code to access);
- Or through Church Center online: christ-lutheran-church-ferndale.churchcenter.com



TABLE HYMN: FIVE VINEYARDS

STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

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 dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we

of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,

Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

THE OFFERING IS PRESENTED AND THE TABLE IS PREPARED

OFFERING PRAYER

PR. EMMA

Creator God,
**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
 and the harvest is plentiful.**
**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
 and our labor,**
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PR. EMMA

The Lord be with you.
And also 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.

It is indeed right and salutary
 that we should at all times and in all places
 offer thanks and praise to you,
 O Lord, holy Creator, through Christ our Lord;
 who rose beyond the bounds of death and,
 as he had promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples.

At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy.
And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical score is written on five staves of a single treble clef in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: 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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your
Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and
suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms
to all.
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.
Remembering, therefore, his death,
resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit,
that by this Holy Communion we may
know
the unity we share with all your people
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PR. EMMA

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us in the language of our hearts.

1983 Version

**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.**

1892 Version

**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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO TABLE

PR. EMMA

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

All who desire a renewed relationship with Jesus are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Children of any age, with the consent of a parent or guardian, are welcome to commune, or may come forward to receive a blessing instead. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you have any allergies or sensitivities to gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, soy, nut, or corn, please ask for the wafer alternative, as they are made in a facility that is free of these allergens. If you prefer to take communion at your seat, please notify an usher to have it brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Lamb of God



☐ 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; have

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

CLC TEAM

"TAKE, O TAKE ME AS I AM"**"BEAUTIFUL THINGS"****PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

PR. EMMA

Mothering God,

you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.**Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.****Amen.****SENDING****ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTH/BATHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES**

PR. EMMA

*Happy birth/birthday to you, happy anniversary to you,
may the Lord bless and keep you another year through.***BLESSING**

PR. EMMA

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.**Amen.****SENDING HYMN "GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING"****ELW# 543****DISMISSAL**

PR. EMMA

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CLC?

Sunday 7/27

10:45am: Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall

11:00am: Week 2 Workshop with Page, Fellowship Hall*

"New Wineskins: Getting our hearts and minds ready for a new expression of God's love."

Monday 7/28

9:00am: Quilting, Fellowship Hall

5:30pm: Pub Church, Downtime Taps*

Wednesday 7/30

9:30am: Walk & Talk*

5:00pm: Narnia Book Club!*

Sunday 8/3

9:30am: Worship with Pr. Liza Okan

10:45am: Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall

11:00am: Week 3 Workshop with Page, Fellowship Hall*

"New Wineskins: Getting our hearts and minds ready for a new expression of God's love."

PLEASE HOLD THESE PEOPLE IN PRAYER:

- Becky, Marisa & Karl, Linda, Jim, Victoria, Dolly, Darlene, Marilyn, Paul, Christine, Rachel, Mary K., Scott, Paula, Marina, Ruthanne, Nancy, Sean, Mike, Jeremiah, Ken, Carol, Mary Ann, Janet, Sarah, Sara, Caitlin, Jacob, Christine, Ashley, Amore, Amber, Darryl, Victoria, John, Rosemary, Angel, Eric, Kim, Lucia, Michele, Ken, Tony, Amanda, Rick, Jim, Kevin, Lindsey, Kent, Leslie, Rob, Paul, Aimee, Kennedy Sue, Luna, Jo Ann, Shane, Rich, Pam, Connor, Lynn, Ken, Kathy, Nathan, Carolyn, Howard;
- all who are homebound, or in assisted living facilities;
- those who travel;
- Brandon, Ron, Melissa, Robert, Scott, Thomas, Rick, and all serving in the military;
- those struggling with addictions and illnesses affecting the mind and spirit;
- those struggling with deteriorating health.

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