

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 24, 2025 | 9:30 AM



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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, AUGUST 24 | PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Presiding: Pr. Liza Okan

Greeter: ElRae Morgenthaler

Ushers: George & Susan Holmes

Communion Assistant: Jennifer Petersen

Youth Assistant: Natalie Springer

Reader: Susan Holmes

Prayers of Intercession: George Holmes

Team: Janet Wilhoite, Matt Springer, Linda Osgood, Erin Beebe

Cantor: Janet Wilhoite

Piano/Organ: Don Clausen

Violin: Joanne Donnellan

Flute: Nancy Tupper

Altar Guild: Dana & Russ Creydt

Livestream Technician: Kelly Dietsch

Soundboard Technician: Sam McGrady

Liturgical Setting: WOV, Setting 5

STAFF PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Rev. Leigh DeVries, lead pastor: pastor@clcferndale.org

Dave Schlack, Care Pastor: 360-768-8452

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

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Sunday — August 24, 2025 — 9:30am

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"I WILL SING OF THE MERCIES"
"MEET US HERE"

CLC TEAM
CLC TEAM

WELCOME

DAVE SODERLUND

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PR. LIZA OKAN

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

"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY"

ELW# 858

GREETING

PR. LIZA

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: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



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



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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: GLORY TO GOD



G 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.



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



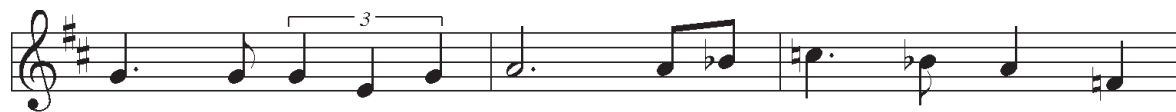
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



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,

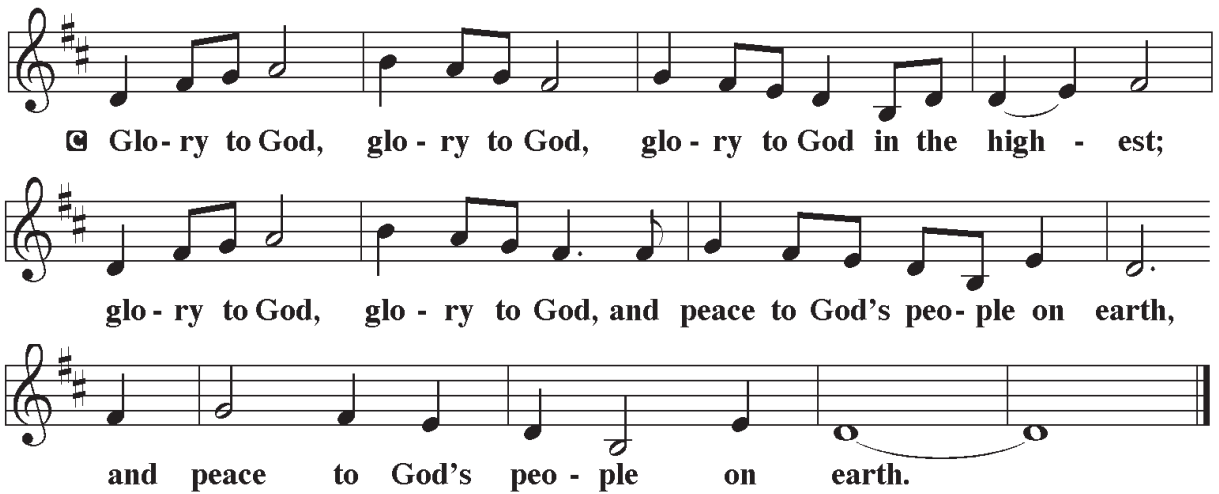


you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

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G 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. LIZA

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, mighty and immortal,

you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:9b-14

⁹ If you remove the yoke from among you,
^b the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
 and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
 then your light shall rise in the darkness
 and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually
 and satisfy your needs in parched
 places and make your bones strong,

and you shall be like a watered garden,
 like a spring of water whose waters
 never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
 you shall raise up the foundations of
 many generations;

you shall be called the repairer of the
 breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

¹³ If you refrain from trampling the
 Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests

on my holy day;
 if you call the Sabbath a delight
 and the holy day of the Lord honorable;
 if you honor it, not going your own ways,
 serving your own interests or pursuing your
 own affairs;
¹⁴then you shall take delight in the Lord,

and I will make you ride upon the
 heights of the earth;
 I will feed you with the heritage of your
 ancestor Jacob,
 for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.
 The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: PSALM 103:1-8

¹Bless the Lord, O my soul,
 and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

²**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
 and forget not all God's benefits—**

³who forgives all your sins
 and heals all your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life from the grave
 and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵who satisfies your desires with good things
 so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶**O Lord, you provide vindication
 and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷You made known your ways to Moses
 and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸**Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,
 slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.")

²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth, but now

he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.”
²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.
 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 13:10-17

PR. LIZA

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PR. LIZA

MESSAGE

PR. LIZA

HYMN OF THE DAY "SOURCE AND SOVEREIGN, ROCK AND CLOUD"



1 Source and Sov-'reign, Rock and Cloud, For - tress, Foun-tain, Shel - ter, Light,
 2 Word and Wis-dom, Root and Vine, Shep-herd, Sav - ior, Ser - vant, Lamb,
 3 Storm and Still-ness, Breath and Dove, Thun-der, Tem - pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,



Judge, De - fend - er, Mer - cy, Might, Life whose life all life en-dowed:
 Well and Wa - ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:
 Com - fort, Coun-s'lor, Pres - ence, Love, En - er - gies that nev - er tire:

Refrain

May the church at prayer re - call that no sin - gle ho - ly name



but the truth be - hind them all is the God whom we pro-claim.

APOSTLES' CREED

PR. LIZA

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

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A brief silence.

You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all. Give wisdom to bishops, synod councils and staff, and congregation leaders (leaders may be named) as they pursue a more just and equitable church and society. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

You inspire all creation to sing and bless your holy name. Send healing rains to parched places and relief to flooded lands. Lead us to enact policies to rebuild ruined ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness. Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Invigorate worship planners and leaders with creativity to aid this assembly in fresh and faithful prayer and praise. Enable all who gather here to be nourished and renewed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for our congregation and its ministry in this time and place. Help us to grow in our loving acceptance and affirmation of all people, that we may be a place of safety in this community. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for our pastor Leigh. Renew her in mind and spirit during her time away and return her refreshed and strengthened for her ministry among us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

With your apostles, prophets, and saints, we give thanks and bless your holy name. As they now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of their lives to pursue your reign, which can never be shaken. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may be seated.

MEAL

GIFT OF MUSIC

MELANIE HALSELL, EUPHONIUM

"DAY BY DAY, AND WITH EACH PASSING MOMENT"

ARR. LLOYD LARSON

CALL FOR OFFERING

PR. LIZA

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



☪ Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. 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. LIZA

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. LIZA

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:

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. LIZA

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. LIZA

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

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

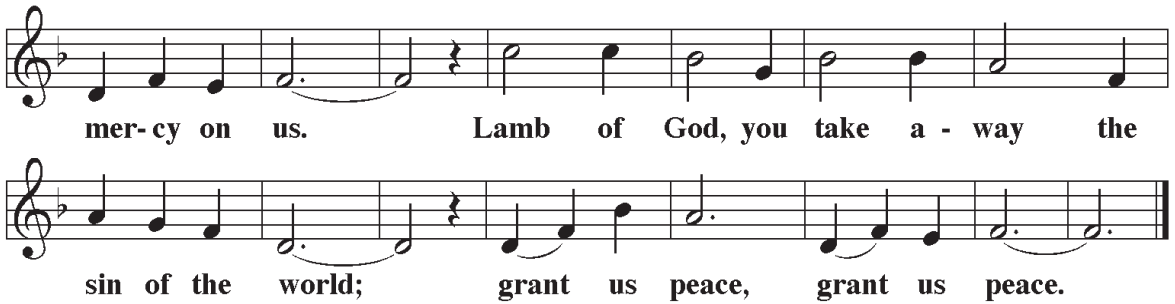
All who desire a renewed relationship with Jesus are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Children of any age, with the consent of a parent or guardian, are welcome to commune, or may come forward to receive a blessing instead. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you have any 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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, starting with a fermata over the first note. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

☩ 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

"EAT THIS BREAD"

"BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN"

CONGREGATION

ELW #472

ELW #474

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PR. LIZA

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. LIZA

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

BLESSING

PR. LIZA

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 "OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING"

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DISMISSAL

PR. LIZA

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Summer Office Hours

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10ish-2ish

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CLC?**Sunday 8/24**

9:30am: Worship with Pr. Liza Okan

10:45am: Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall

Monday 8/25

9:00am: Quilting, Fellowship Hall

5:30pm: Pub Church, Downtime Taps

Wednesday 8/27

9:30am: Walk & Talk*

Sunday 8/31

9:30am: Service of the Word with Pr. Page

10:45am: Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall: **Celebrate Harvey Bishop's 101st Birthday!**

11:30am: Final "New Wineskins" Q&A Workshop with Page, Fellowship Hall*

More info in eNews*

PLEASE HOLD THESE PEOPLE IN PRAYER:

- Lynne, Elizabeth, Becky, Marisa & Karl, Linda, Kelly, Jim, Victoria, Dolly, Darlene, Marilyn, Paul, Christine, Rachel, Mary K., Scott, Paula, Marina, Ruthanne, Nancy, Sean, Mike, Teri, Jeremiah, Ken, Pat, 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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