



**DO NOT HARDEN  
YOUR HEARTS.**

**HEBREWS 3:15**



# ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

**Greeter This Week:** Marvin & Norrean Sager

**Greeter Next Week:** Volunteer Needed

**Reader This Week:** Kathy Dunn

**Reader Next Week:** Neal Moritz

**Acolytes This Week:** CJ Constable

**Acolytes Next Week:** Hayden Leist

**Altar Guild This Month:** Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker

**Altar Guild Next Month:** Carol Ann Sagebiel & LeAnn Jander

**Communion Assistant This Month:** Dickie Bettge

**Communion Assistant Next Month:** Pam Haun

## MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

Worship Notes regarding Today's Service:

Thank you for attending this morning's service. We thank God that we continue to be able to gather together and worship inside our church. We are not mandating any seating, nor do we mandate wearing a mask. However if you feel more comfortable wearing one, please feel free to do so. There is hand sanitizer available at each door as you enter and smaller bottles in each pew for your use. At the place in the service where we "Share the Peace" and we would typically move about the church sharing the peace of Christ, we would ask that you remain at your seat, where you might share the peace with immediate family members or look around the church "share the peace" at a distance or give an "air-hug" to others you see. For those uncomfortable with this amount of personal contact we welcome you to continue to take part in the service by listening in your vehicle in the parking lot. We will continue to broadcast the service on FM 101.5 and you can follow the service in the bulletin as the liturgy, the organ music, hymns with the lyrics by our song leaders, and Pastor John's message will be on the broadcast. Thank you for your patience as we all look forward and pray for the day when we might worship without the concern for this pandemic.

The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude. Please show your respect with silent meditation at this time.

## **PRELUDE**

### **RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS PRAISES AND CONCERNS**

### **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for Reflection and Meditation*

L Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are in bondage 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**

L Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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**

OPENING HYMN:

*“Take My Life, that I May Be”*

LBW #406

**Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee.**

**Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King;  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from thee.**

**Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use Ev’ry pow’r as thou shalt choose.**

**Take my will and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.**

**GREETING**

L 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.**

**KYRIE**

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy**

L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord have mercy**

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord have mercy.**

L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord have mercy.**

L Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen**

L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship you, we give you thanks,**

**We praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world'**

**Have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father;**

**Receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord, You alone are the**

**Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray;

**O Lord, sustain your Church with your perpetual mercy. Without you, in our weakness we will surely fail. Therefore, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **First Reading: Amos 5:10-24**

<sup>10</sup> They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup> Therefore because you trample upon the poor and take from him exactions of wheat, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup> For I know how many are your transgressions,

and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup> Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup> Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be

with you, as you have said. <sup>15</sup> Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. <sup>16</sup> Therefore thus

says the LORD, the God of hosts, the Lord: "In all the squares there shall be wailing; and in all the streets they shall say, 'Alas! alas!' They shall call the farmers to mourning and to wailing those who are skilled in lamentation, <sup>17</sup> and in all vineyards there shall be wailing, for I will pass

through the midst of you,” says the LORD. <sup>18</sup>Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light; <sup>19</sup>as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house and leaned with his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. <sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? <sup>21</sup>“I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and cereal offerings, I will not accept them, and the peace offerings of your fatted beasts I will not look upon. <sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. <sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

### **PSALM READING**

#### **Psalm 90:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**<sup>13</sup>Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry?  
be gracious to your servants.**

<sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your lovingkindness in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

**<sup>15</sup>Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us  
and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

<sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works  
and your splendor to their children.

**<sup>17</sup>May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

#### **Second Reading: Hebrews 3:12-19**

<sup>12</sup>Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup>But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup>For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup>As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.” <sup>16</sup>For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup>And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup>And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup>So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

#### **GOSPEL VERSE**

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:17-22**

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.** (*sung*)

<sup>17</sup>As {Jesus} was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup>And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." <sup>21</sup>And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.** (*sung*)

MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN:

***"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"***

WOV #734

**Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,  
Calling for you and for me. See, on the portals  
he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.**

*Refrain*

**"Come home, come home, come home! Come home!  
You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly,  
Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"**

**Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,  
Pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger  
and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me?**

*Refrain*

**Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,  
promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned,  
he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.**

*Refrain*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father, the Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he arose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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 peace of the Lord be with you always,

**And also with you**

**Offering** – If you wish to give an offering it will be received as you leave.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a  
Right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your  
Presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from' me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
And uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**Lord, listen to Your children praying, Lord, send Your spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to Your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!**  
(after each petition “Lord in your mercy,” **RESPONSE “HEAR OUR PRAYER”**)

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen**

#### **LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:**

***“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”***

**WOV #721**

**“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love’s baptismal river, I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

**“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son’s story, here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

**“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit’s power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

**“I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.  
I the Lord will smile upon you, and give you peace.  
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.  
Go, my children, I will keep you, and give you peace.”**

**Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord**

**People: Thanks be to God**

**THE DOXOLOGY HYMN:**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

<b>Today 10/10</b>	<b>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</b> 8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class 9:00 a.m. Adult Study – “Come Holy Spirit” 10:15 a.m. Worship
<b>Mon 10/11</b>	~ <i>Office Closed</i> ~
<b>Tues 10/12</b>	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Pastor’s Office Hours 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours
<b>Wed 10/13</b>	10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Yorktown Nursing & Rehab. 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 1:30 p.m. Quilters 7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study
<b>Thurs 10/14</b>	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pastor’s Office Hours
<b>Fri 10/15</b>	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours
<b>Sat. 10/16</b>	8:30 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Congregation Fall Workday</i>
<b>Next Sun</b>	<b>Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class 9:00 a.m. Adult Study – “Come Holy Spirit” 10:15 a.m. Worship ~ <i>Called Congregational Meeting following Worship Re: Organ</i>



*Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John’s.*

*Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day’s prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.*

**October 3, 2021** General \$2,203.00, Sunday School \$27.75, MOM-NALS \$700.00, OSC \$120.00, Organ \$220.00, Building \$30.00 **Total: \$3,300.75**

**Attendance:** Worship - 91 Sunday School - 8 - Children, 11 - Adults, Confirmation - 7

### FALL CONGREGATION WORKDAY

Property Team has scheduled a fall workday for this Saturday October 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 - 11:30 for tree trimming and general cleanup. Please plan to come out to help for all or any part of the morning.



### CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a called congregational meeting following the service on October 17, 2021. This meeting is regarding information about the organ.



## Mission of the Month of October



### North American Lutheran Seminary Mission Statement

The NALC set a seminary goal in 2020 to be the denomination with the strongest and most highly respected Lutheran Seminary Training System in North America. Last year in October of 2020 Rev. Dr. Eric Riesen, President of NALC Seminary Board of Regents was our mission speaker on this topic. At that time he informed us of how this could be done. With our donations we can help the NALC attain its goal to upgrade the structure, the program, and recruitment of the seminary over the next 3 years.



#### NALC Warehouse and Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

We will be collecting for these charities all year. Each month we will feature items to be donated. We will be collecting rubber gloves and floor cleaner such as a small bottle of Pine Sol or Fabuloso both from the Dollar Tree for \$1 each.

The OCC shoebox collection is a small toy (ex. Slinky or stuffed toy) for the month of October. Our Christmas Shoeboxes & labels have arrived, please pick yours up to fill today! Do not forget to fill out your label & include your check (no cash) for \$9.00 per box for shipping costs. If you wish to pay by credit/debit card you will need to scan the QR code on your label with your phone or go on line and pay for your shipping at: [samaritanaspurse.org/activate](https://samaritanaspurse.org/activate). Please have all boxes filled with labels & shipping paid to the church no later than **Sunday, November 14, 2021**. Thank you!



#### Reformation Sunday

The Bishop, Rev. Dr. Daniel W. Selbo will be our guest speaker for Reformation Sunday, October 31, 2021. The Bishop carries out a pastoral ministry within the church, serving as pastor for the pastors and congregations of the NALC. The Bishop preaches the Gospel, forgives sins, administers the Sacraments and judges doctrine (Augsburg Confession XXVIII). The Bishop carries out a ministry of visitation throughout the church, is a defender of the faith, and promotes the mission of the church. Bishop Selbo has been married for 35 years. He and his wife, Mary, have been blessed with four children and four grandchildren. Bishop Selbo graduated from San Jose State University in 1982 with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies. He received a Master of Divinity degree in 1986 and earned a Doctorate of Ministry in Biblical Preaching in 2013, both from Luther Seminary. He enjoys golfing, fishing, working in the yard and spending time with family and friends.



Join us for a **BBQ Meal** following the service on **October 31<sup>st</sup>** in the Parish Hall. The meat & beans will be provided. Please bring a side dish & a dessert. Hope to see you there!



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

*Lyanna Dee Picard was born to  
Johnna & Nicholas Picard  
On September 30, 2021 at 5:52 pm  
Weighing 7 lbs 14 oz and 18 inches long*



**Sunday School Youth Service**

Sunday, October 24th is a youth led service with contemporary songs for the service.  
Hope to see you there!

**Fill the Warehouse!**

*(The cheapest place to shop for supplies!)*

**NALC Disaster Response  
What's in a Flood Bucket?**

- 1 bucket (5 gallon) with a lid – Firehouse Subs \$3.00 ea.  
*(Check other restaurants, donut shops, school kitchens, etc.!)*
- 1 roll paper towels – Walmart 44 cents a roll
- 1 powder cleanser – Walmart 88 cents ea.
- 1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso) – Dollar Tree \$1.00 ea.
- 1 bottle bleach – small! – Dollar Tree \$1.00 ea.
- 1 pair rubber gloves – Dollar Tree \$1.00 ea.
- 1 scrub brush – Dollar Tree \$1.00 ea.
- 1 pair leather gloves – Home Depot 3 pk under \$6.00
- 1 pair cotton gloves – Walmart 6 pk under \$5.00/Home Depot or Lowe's \$1.00 ea. Pr
- 2 contractor trash bags (3 mil) – shop around.....
- 2 rags – Don't buy! Cut up old bath & beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths.....

**What's in a Health Kit?**

- Soap: 1 regular size bar or 2-3 travel size\*
- Shampoo: 2 or 3 travel size\* (or 1 small size)
- Lotion: 1 or 2 travel size\*

*\*Ask for donations from people you know that stay in hotels!*

- 1 deoderant – Walmart 88 cents ea.
- 1 toothbrush – Dollar Tree 4 for \$1.00
- 1 toothpaste (travel size) – Walmart (or for a bigger tube) 77-90 cents ea.
- 1 comb – Dollar Tree 12 pk for \$1.00
- 1 bath towel – Walmart \$1.97 ea.
- 1 drawstring bag – Make 2 from an old pillow case!

**NEW UPDATE: Worship Team Notes**

Worship services will be in the church sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. Communion will go back to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month by stations. The service will still be broadcasted on the radio station FM 101.5 for those who wish to stay in their vehicles. We will continue to commune those worshipping remotely “in the parking lot” in their vehicles. Please note state and local guidelines are subject to change and we will continue to attempt to follow those for the health and safety of all. Guidelines and changes in those will be posted in the bulletin, on our website & FaceBook page. Please check these for changes and updates. Please Note: The service will NO longer be videoed & posted to the church website.





## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Sunday School News

Dear parents,

This week we examined a passage with a powerful teaching from Jesus, Matthew 22:37-40. In this passage, the Pharisees were trying to trick Jesus into saying something they could use against him later on. But Jesus gave an answer that is simply genius in its simplicity. This is what he said were the most important commandments from God:

*“You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”*

Engage your teenager in thinking through this passage by using some authentic conversation this week. Here are some suggested questions and ideas:

- How do you think our family shows that we love God?
- Could we do a better job of loving people? Do you have suggestions about how we could go about that?
- If these two commands from Matthew 22 are equal, how do we communicate our love for God to the people around us?
- Consider changing the wallpaper on your home computer or smart phones to something that, for your family, represents loving God and others. It’s a visual reminder of the command of Christ.

As always, thank you for allowing us to make a small investment in the spiritual life of your family. It’s an honor to come alongside you as you continue to show your teenager the walk of a Christ-follower.

Thank you,  
Johnna Picard

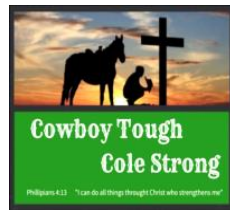
### NEW Church Renovation Update

Remaining items for the construction progress are to correct construction errors related to landing elevation and drainage, modification of steps to meet original architectural plans, and elimination of flatwork ponding on approach to elevator, at contractor’s cost. After completion, a final walk through will be held to address any items that need to be touched up. The current invoiced total for cost of construction, change orders, materials testing, architect, grass planting, and incidentals is \$600,850.80. Designated giving and memorials received to date total \$602,383.30.



### + UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole

Cole is at home doing well surrounded by the love and support of all his family and friends. He continues to have therapy on a daily basis at his home and is now receiving therapy in Victoria on his new fabulous walking machine, the Lokomat Pro. This machine is a robotic training system that allows Cole’s legs to be attached to robotic legs that assist with basic walking functions. It’s an awesome machine and God has truly blessed Cole once again.



Cole and his family want others, in need of this type of therapy, to share in this wonderful blessing and be able to also use this machine. God is truly at work thru Cole. God continues to be with Cole each and every day strengthening his faith, patience, and courage as he travels down this long and difficult journey. We thank each and every one again for all your prayers, concerns, and support for Cole and his family. We ask for you to continue praying for Cole’s healing and for strength and patience for him and his family. Thank you and God Bless.

**+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+**

**At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:**

*Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual*

*To help family stay strong*

*Patience*

*Stay positive*

*The drive to keep trying (perseverance)*



**PRAYER REQUESTS:** If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500 or Pastor John (361)243-0373. We ask that you would update the prayer request regularly. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Our Military and their families:**

Jeff Zengerle - U.S. Army NG  
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves  
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky  
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Hawaii  
Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Virginia  
Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, 2-4 CaB, Charlie Company, Black Hawk  
Medevac Pilot, Fort Carson, Colorado  
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force  
Michael Petrash II - 1<sup>st</sup> LT, United States Army  
Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL  
Jacob Redmond - USMC, San Diego, CA  
Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina



**Please Pray for:** Adam Womble  
Hunter Jacob  
Kenny Jacob  
Cole Ohrt  
Joy Hoy  
Marie Liner  
Bill Roeske  
Britany Jank Tomas  
Bea Fagg  
Clint Coles  
Mrs. Stiles  
Ryon Preslar

**Nursing Home:**

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Alfred Rangnow, Marjorie Ideus



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## **Pentecost 20**

*October 10, 2021*

### **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 23 (Year B)**

We often ask God to do things for us and provide us with blessings, but we fail to live according to his will and his ways. There is a response that emerges in our lives out of faith and obedience to Christ, but it is a costly one. A life centered in Christ is one that seeks to care for others, to provide for those in need, and to set aside our worldly desires. Only when we give up what is most dear do we find true life.

