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"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome to Northdale Lutheran! We are so glad you are joining us to proclaim what God has done and to sing his praises. Here the Lord also comes to us and strengthens us with his mighty Word. Take a moment to meet and greet those around you! Also:

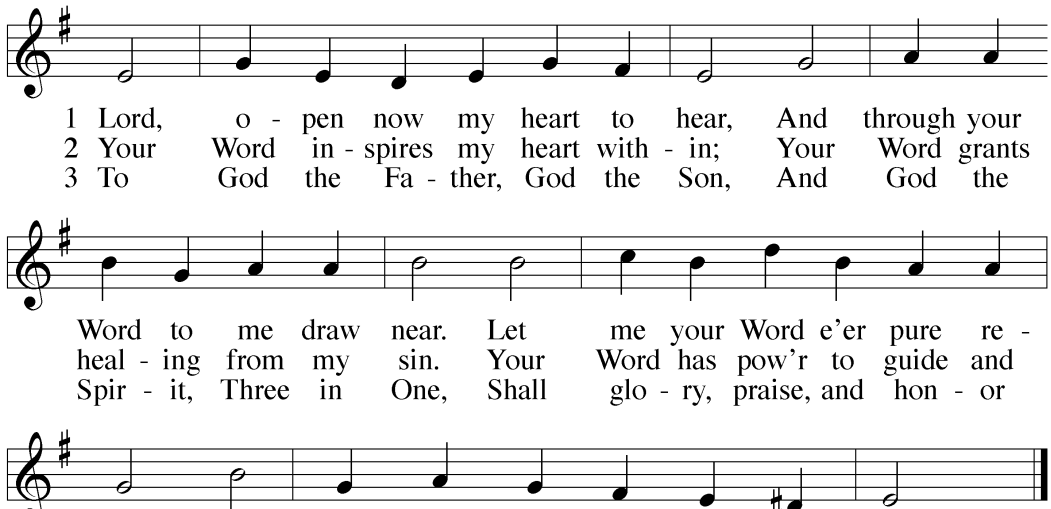
- ❖ Restrooms are in the entrance and through the nursery hallway.
- ❖ Help us be more welcoming by signing the guest registers in each row.
- ❖ To help keep the sanctuary as a quiet place of worship and meditation and for your convenience, a Quiet Room is available for the whole service for young children in the back of the sanctuary. Please make use of this room if your child becomes loud in worship. ***Please do not leave children unattended in the Quiet Room. We ask that at least one adult be present while children are in this room.***
- ❖ Everything you need for worship will be printed in the worship folder.

WORSHIP THEME

The believer hears the Word of God and listens with a trusting heart. Living according to God's will means giving the Word of God central place in our lives as the one thing needful.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN, CW #282, "LORD, OPEN NOW MY HEART TO HEAR"



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through your
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants
3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the

Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure re -
heal - ing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or

tain; Let me your child and heir re - main.
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Johannes Olearius, 1611–84; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, st. 1, 3, alt.; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 2.
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Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR (LM) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder zu Wittenberg*, Wittenberg 1543, alt.

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

(The name of the triune God reminds worshipers of their baptisms.)

- M: We worship today in the name of God the Father,
C: **who created us and who sustains us by his grace.**
- M: We worship today in the name of God the Son,
C: **our Lord, Jesus Christ, who has redeemed us with His perfect life and innocent death.**
- M: We worship today in the name of God the Holy Spirit,
C: **the Comforter who brings us to faith and renews us daily by His Word.**

CONFESSION

- M: It is by grace alone that we are saved. Today we come confessing that we are totally unworthy of God's forgiveness and love. We lay ourselves bare before him confessing our sins honestly and trusting fully in his grace. Let us make confession of our sins.
- C: **Holy and gracious God, we admit that we are altogether sinful and impure. We have not loved you nor anyone else perfectly. We have at times neglected your Word and its promises. Our faith has been lacking in zeal. Our works of love have been shallow and even nonexistent at times. We have truly sinned in thought, word and deed, and beg for your mercy and forgiveness for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

(The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners" [The Small Catechism, First: What is the use of the keys?]. See John 20:21-23.)

- M: 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 servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, we now praise the Lord!

C: *(Sing CW #239, vs 2, 4)*



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
 2 Glo - ry be to him who loved us, Washed us from each
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!— Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it,
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to him who bought us,
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!—



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
 Made us kings with him to reign! Glo - ry,
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
 glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89, alt.

Tune: WORCESTER (87 87 47) Walter G. Whinfield, 1865–1919.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

BE SEATED



THE WORD OF GOD*

THE FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 18:1-14

While the world laughs with Sarah at the seemingly impossible promises of God, we hear the Word of the Lord and believe it. With the Word of the Lord in it's rightful, central place in the life of the believer, nothing is impossible.

The Lord appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ²Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

*The Word of God

"The reading of the Lessons is a highlight of a service. The spiritually hungry have come to be fed and nurtured and to drink from the waters of life. Knowing that 'faith comes from hearing the message,' God's people listen intently with attention aroused to be blessed by the hearing

⁶So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. “Quick,” he said, “get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread.”

⁷Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹“Where is your wife Sarah?” they asked him.

“There, in the tent,” he said.

¹⁰Then one of them said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son.”

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. ¹¹Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, “After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?”

¹³Then the Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Will I really have a child, now that I am old?’ ¹⁴Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son.”

*Let us Go to the
House of the Lord*

PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 119A*

Refrain



Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Psalm tone



Refrain

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless,*
who walk according to the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes*
and seek him with all their heart.

You have laid down precepts*
that are to be fully obeyed.

Refrain

Oh, that my ways were steadfast*
in obeying your decrees!

Then I would not be put to shame*
when I consider all your commands.

I will praise you with an upright heart*
as I learn your righteous laws.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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THE GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 10:38-42

There is one needful thing- to hear the Word of God. The busyness of Martha is contrasted by the devotion of Mary to Jesus' words. When this one thing needful is truly treasured in the believer's life, everything else falls into place and it will not be taken from us, even into eternity.

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. ³⁹She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

⁴¹"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴²but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

BE SEATED



SERMON HYMN, CW #735, "SPEAK, O LORD"



1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you To re -
 2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly
 3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of your Ho - ly Word.
 rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
 grasp the heights of your plans for us.



Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
 Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the
 Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, That will



fash - ion us in your like - ness That the
 ra - di - ance of your pur - i - ty. Cause our
 e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



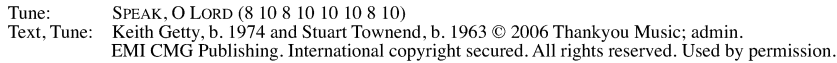
light of Christ might be seen to - day In our acts of
 faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic
 grace we'll stand on your pro - mis-es, And by faith we'll



love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
 love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
 walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, as your



fill in us All your pur - pos-es for your
 nev - er fail, Let their truth pre - vail o - ver
 Church is built And you fill the earth with your



THE SERMON TEXT: COLOSSIANS 1:21-29

²⁸He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. ²⁹To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

SERMON THEME:

There is No Better Way

THANKSGIVING

PLEASE STAND

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word.)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

Please sign the Friendship Register in each of the pews and pass it to those sitting next to you.

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:34) The members of Northdale Lutheran joyfully give our offerings to the LORD in response to His Word and in thanks for the many ways he has blessed us. We have joined together as a congregation to use these offerings to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world through the work of our Synod. Your gifts moved by the Holy Spirit out love for God and his blessings are welcome.

Online giving is now set up and available through our membership software entitled Breeze. You can give through Breeze two ways: 1) You can give by texting "Give" to (813) 652-0408. 2). You can go to <https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online>. You can certainly ask if you have any questions.

PLEASE STAND (8:00 AM SERVICE ONLY)

INSTALLATION OF BETHANY SCHWARTZ (10:30 A.M. SERVICE)

THE OTHER STAFF MEMBERS AND AIDES ARE INVITED FORWARD.

COMMISSIONING OF STAFF FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

P: Northdale Lutheran Church and School has called or hired you to serve as teachers and aides in our congregation's Lutheran Elementary School. Are you committed to faithfully carrying out the duties of your work, viewing your work as a ministry of service to the children entrusted to your care?

Teachers and Aides: I am and I ask God to help me.

P: Are you willing to take up your service in Christian Education with enthusiasm, filling your own heart and life with the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ, and demonstrating an example of a godly life in worship, Scripture study, and Christian service?

Teachers and Aides: I am and I ask God to help me.

P: Will you strive to serve in harmony with one another and with this ministry's administration, praying for one another daily, seeking to advance the mission and accomplish the goals of the ministry of Northdale Lutheran Church and School individually and collectively?

Teachers and Aides: I will and I ask God to help me.

The congregation is asked to stand.

P: Children and families who will be served through Northdale Lutheran Church's Lutheran Elementary School: Jesus our Savior has promised eternal life to those who trust in him. Will you show your love to Jesus by cheerfully obeying your teachers and their aides, so that you benefit from their instruction and care, especially as they teach you God's saving Word? Will you give them honor and respect, so that their work will be a joy for them and an eternal blessing to you?

Children, Families & Congregation: We will and we ask God to help us.

P: Let us pray. Gracious and most merciful Lord, we thank you for providing faithful teachers and aides to your Church to proclaim your holy gospel among us and serve our children. Grant your grace and your blessing upon all of our teachers and aides, so that by their labors your lambs may be fed and your people strengthened and sustained in the saving faith, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen

P: Go, then, and take up the work to which you have been called.

With your blessing, Lord, strengthen all of these servants of yours in their ministry of Christian Education. Let your Spirit enlighten their minds and guide all their actions that they may be renewed in faith, united in love and encouraged to use their gifts in service to the mission of your Church.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

INVOCATION FOR THE START OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR

P: We begin this school year in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

8:00 a.m. service continues here

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Let us pray to the God of all knowledge and wisdom that the Church may be renewed and strengthened for her mission.

Silent prayer.

M: O Lord, you have revealed your good and gracious will to your people on earth. Forgive us for pursuing that knowledge that serves only our selfish desires and for using what we have learned to exploit and hurt others. Cleanse our guilty hearts of the apathy we feel for searching out the deeper truths of your Word.

C: Holy Spirit, hear our prayer that we may put self aside and rejoice in the truth that builds up.

M: Heavenly Father, send the Spirit of Jesus into our hearts so that like the Bereans of old we eagerly learn of you. As the deer pants for streams of water, may we be instilled with a longing to explore the mysteries of your grace.

C: Holy Spirit, increase in us the knowledge of your truth.

M: As you sent your Son among us as the Word made flesh, so bless the efforts of schools, colleges, and seminaries to train those who proclaim your

presence among us in Word and sacrament.

C: Holy Spirit, instill in us a desire to teach others the wisdom of your ways.

M: God of light, give to the Church renewed wisdom and fresh understanding that the message of your salvation may shine ever brighter in this dark age.

C: Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love so that others may see our good deeds and praise our Father in heaven.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Holy Spirit, renew the face of the earth so that at the name of Jesus every knee may bow.

C: May your peace, which transcends all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

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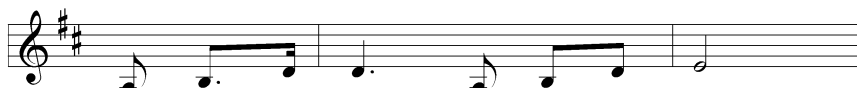
HYMN, CWS #752, "IN CHRIST ALONE"



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found.
 2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh,
 3 There in the ground his bod - y lay,
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,



He is my light, my strength, my song;
 Full - ness of God in help - less babe.
 Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
 This is the pow'r of Christ in me;



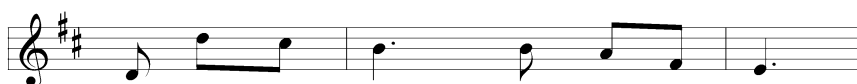
This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground,
 This gift of love and right - eous - ness,
 Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day
 From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,



Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 Scorned by the ones he came to save.
 Up from the grave he rose a - gain!
 Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y.



What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died,
 And as he stands in vic - tor - y,
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man



When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!
 The wrath of God was sat - is - fied;
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
 Can ev - er pluck me from his hand;

My Com - for - ter, my all in all,
 For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid.
 For I am his and he is mine—
 Till he re - turns or calls me home,

Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 Here in the death of Christ I live.
 Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

(Fine)

This christological hymn summarizes the sacrificial, earthly life of our Savior and the glory that is now his forever and ours through faith.

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FINAL PRAYER

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

BE SEATED

Copies of today's sermon and last week's sermon can be found on the table in the narthex on the way out of church. You can also find them on our website at www.northdalelutheran.org. In addition, all of our services are live streamed & can be viewed through the live streaming link located on our church website. We also e-mail out daily devotions. If you would like to receive these daily devotions, please e-mail Pastor Vann at pastor@northdalelutheran.org and let him know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.



WELS

Christ's Love, Our Calling.

Announcements:

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Today we continue our Sunday morning Bible Study entitled, “***Agents of Grace***.” David was the greatest king of God's Old Testament people, the Israelites. Throughout his life, God used many people to mold David into the man and leader he came to be. This Bible study looks closely at those people, but also helps us focus on the people God brings into our lives for the same purpose. Join us at 9:25 for this interesting study.

Installation: This morning we are installing our new called teacher, Bethany Schwartz, into her position as K-1 part time teacher in our school. We thank the Lord for leading Bethany to join our staff and are excited for to join us. May we lift her up in our prayers and support her as best we are able as she undertakes the work to which she has been called.

Congregational Call Meeting Called: The Ministry Leadership Team has called a call meeting for Sunday, August 11 after the second service to extend a part time, 1 year call to Joanne Mattes to serve as our Preschool/Childcare director. While enrollment is behind because of the difficulty in obtaining our preschool zoning and the late receiving of our license, the MLT after much discussion decided it was important to move forward with this ministry. We are hopeful to add a few more students in these last 2 weeks before school starts. We would appreciate your presence for this meeting and your support for this ministry.

Audio Visual Help: We are looking for some people who are interested in helping us in worship by running the Livestream. We will be doing some training and putting a schedule together in the near future. If you are interested in helping, please talk with Chris Teeples or me. Starting this summer, we will also have to reintroduce Hymnsoft into our worship services. We will be looking for people willing to help with this as well.

School Starts This Week! Our Northdale Lutheran School begins on Wednesday, August 14 at 8:00 a.m. The first day is only a half a day. The Parents Orientation of Back to School Night is scheduled for Monday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m. We would like all of our families to be present for this meeting. Mr. Mattes will be sharing some important information for the school year. It's essential that everyone be present for this meeting. We look forward to a great school year as we continue to carry out our mission to serve our children and their families.

New Bible Information Class: The mission which our Lord Jesus has given to every single believer is to go into all the world and make disciples for him. The first step in the process is sharing Jesus with people and teaching them about all he has done for them. This is the work that every single one of us has the privilege of participating in. You can take part of that work by inviting a friend or neighbor or relative or co-worker to learn more about Jesus through our Bible Information Class. Pastor will be starting a new class on August 27. It's a month out, which seems a long time away. But now is the time to start talking to people about it and inviting them to take part in it. If you have someone you'd like to invite to class, please do so. Offer to come with them. Share the name with Pastor Vann so he can plan on them coming. This is a precious privilege we have the joy of sharing in. We pray for God's blessings on our efforts to share Jesus with our world.

Called Staff

Pastor Charlie Vannieuwenhoven: 813-787-4854

Principal Dane Mattes: 920-588-7599

Aimee Hardman: 813-464-5113

Christopher Haring: 517-202-7283

Bethany Schwartz: 920-222-9279

Amy Vannieuwenhoven: 813-787-5025

This Week:

Monday (8/12)	6:00pm - Back to School Night 7:30pm - Elders
Wednesday (8/14)	8:15am - School Opening Worship Service 6:30pm - Financial Advice Team
Sunday (8/18):	8:00 & 10:30am - Worship 9:25am – Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: Tabitha Vannieuwenhoven

Ushers: 8:00—Brian Busch

10:30—Dave/Barb Hartwig

Acolyte: 8:00—Julia Busch

10:30—Tyler Berg

Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music:

Ushers: 8:00—Brian Busch

10:30—Dave/Barb Hartwig

Acolyte: 8:00—Mateo Amaya

10:30—Jack Hill

Elder: David Mosakowski

Attendance Last Week

8:00 a.m.—25

10:30 a.m.—77

Total: 102

Yearly Average: 103

% of Members in Worship: 45%

Financial Information

Contributions for 8/4/19: \$1,218.00

Contributions online though 8/4/19: \$925.00

Contributions budgeted: \$4,234.08

Contributions budgeted to date: \$22,115.40

Contributions received to date: \$15,732.00

Ahead or (Short) through 8/4/19: (\$6,383.40)

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00

Received Last Week: \$80

Total received to date: \$310,118.22

Projected Completion date: March 2020

Kids Pages

Jesus Sends Out Workers

He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Luke 10:2 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 10:1-11 (NIV).



E H O U S E Y H P U R S E V Y
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J S A N D A L S U C P E A X C
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ROAD	EATING	BAG	FIELD	WAGES

Telling Jesus' Good News

Coloring Page

