GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod) LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

May 29, 2016

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH

Lord and Giver of life, You have brought me to this day even as You have given to me the things that I need for the support of this body and life. I thank you for the great provision which You shower upon me so that I may be fed and nourished for daily living. I further rejoice in Your Word which feeds me with the good things to strengthen me in my faith which receives the gift of eternal life. Grant that I remain faithful in confessing the name of Jesus and living for Him who lived, died and rose again for me. I pray this in His holy name. Amen

WELCOME

We welcome you this morning to Grace! Today begins what we know in the Church as the long season of green. Actually what we began last week with Holy Trinity Sunday was the Semester of the Church. Green reminds us of growth and throughout the second half of the Church Year we see how the Lord blessed the Church, His redeemed and forgiven people with growth in numbers and strength of faith. This is the teaching season in which the focus of our readings turns from the events of Christ's life to His teaching. We are truly glad to have you with us if you are a visitor. If you wish to learn more about our teachings as drawn from God's Word please speak with our Pastor. We are glad you are here and we invite you to come and worship with us again.

We ask that everyone fill out an attendance registration card found at each pew and return it to an Usher as the Offering is collected. Restrooms are located on the lower level of this building or across the bridge on this floor level before entering the fellowship hall. Children are welcome in our Service and will be invited to come forward for a Children's Message. Parents may accompany them if they wish. A nursery for infants and toddlers is located downstairs for anyone who has need.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the 10:45 Service today. In this sacrament we receive Christ's very body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Those who are not members of Grace are asked to speak with our Pastor before partaking of this sacrament so that the unity of faith might be established. Thank you for honoring this request.

AS WE GATHER

This Semester of the Church begins with a warning against the false gospels that are not the Gospel at all, and against those who preach those so-called gospels which seek to lead God's people away from the work and sacrifice of Jesus Christ for us and our salvation. St. Paul writing in Romans said, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, 'The righteous shall live by faith." In the reflection of God's Law we should be ashamed of our sins. In the light of the Gospel we are given to understand that Jesus experienced the shame of the cross in our place so that we might be given His righteousness. That is the Gospel and there is no other.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God and the beautification of His House by Jack and Pat Funk in honor of her dad, Bill Jones, as he celebrates his 98th birthday today and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor: Organist:		Rev. James C. Walter Dr. Jess Anthony
Choir Director:		Matthew Golladay
Piano Accompanist:		Carly Golladay
Secretary:		Pat Funk
Early Childhood Center Director:		Colleen Moorman
Acolyte:	(8:15)	Katie Williams
Cantor:	(8:15)	Paula Walter
Ushers:	(8:15)	Bobby Bemberg, Daniel Loyd
		Tim Loyd, Ed Mahnken
Greeters:	(8:15)	Debbie Craig, Mildred Wilkins
Altar Guild:	(8:15)	Pat Funk
Acolyte:	(10:45)	Annalia Buchanan
Cantor:	(10:45)	Jeff Ralston
Communion Assistant:	(10:45)	Shaun Baker
Ushers:	(10:45)	Rudy Bischof, Stacy Johnson, Richard Sanders
Greeters:	(10:45)	Dave, Diane and Alex Roberts
Altar Guild:	(10:45)	Beverly Sanders
Coffee Hosts:		The Manchester and Roberts Families
Altar Guild:	(Wed. evening)	Suzanne Raddle
Nursery Attendant:	_	Mary Ann Dyer

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – The appointed readings for next Sunday, June 5th, The Third Sunday After Pentecost, are: The Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 17:17-24, The Epistle Reading: Galatians 1:11-24, and The Gospel Reading: Luke 7:11-17.

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THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pre-Service Music

Lighting of the Chancel Candles

Prelude Herzliebster Jesu – Johannes Brahms

Ringing of the Church Bell

Opening Hymn: From All That Dwell Below the Skies LSB 816

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9

- **P** 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.

 $Silence\ for\ reflection\ on\ God's\ Word\ and\ for\ self-examination.$

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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

Declaration of Grace (8:15)

John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen

Absolution (10:45)

John 20:19-23

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen

Service of the Word

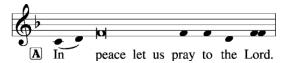
Introit

Ps. 86:1–4, 13; antiphon: Ps. 86:11

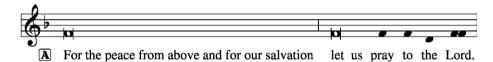
- P Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;
- **C** unite my heart to fear your name.
- P Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me,
- **C** for I am poor and needy.
- **P** Preserve my life, for I am godly;
- save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.
- **P** Be gracious to me, O Lord,
- C for to you do I cry all the day.
- **P** Gladden the soul of your servant,
- for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
- **P** For great is your steadfast love toward me;
- you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

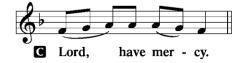
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen
- **P** Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;
- unite my heart to fear your name.

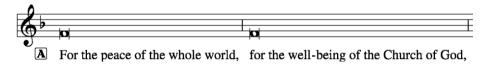
Kyrie Mark 10:47

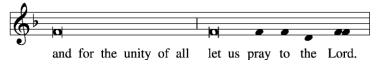




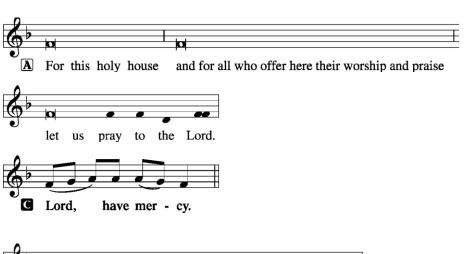


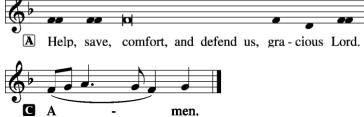






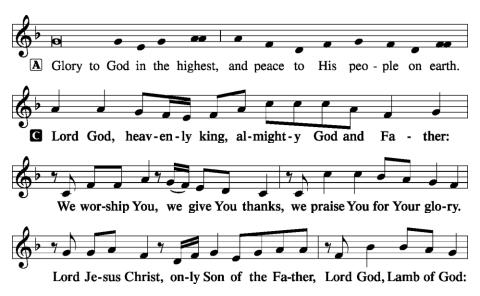


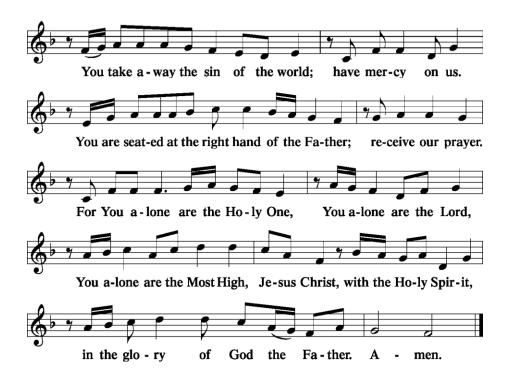




Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, by Your almighty Word You set in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful, and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 8:22-24, 27-29, 41-43

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual Rom. 10:8b, 10



The word is near you, in your mouth and | in your heart,* the word of faith that | we proclaim.

For with the heart one believes and is | justified,* and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

Epistle Galatians 1:1–12

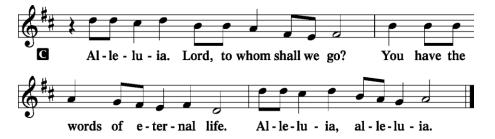
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Luke 7:6c, 7b

P Alleluia. Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof. But say the word, and let my servant be healed. Alleluia.



Holy Gospel Luke 7:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.



The reading of the Holy Gospel.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn: By Grace I'm Saved LSB 566

Sermon Galatians 1:1–12

"A Different Gospel?"

Stand

Apostles' Creed (8:15)

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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

Nicene Creed (10:45)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

whose kingdom will have no end.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God. Light of Light. very God of very God. begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father. by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen

Prayer of the Church

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

Each petition ends with the following:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with the following:

- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen

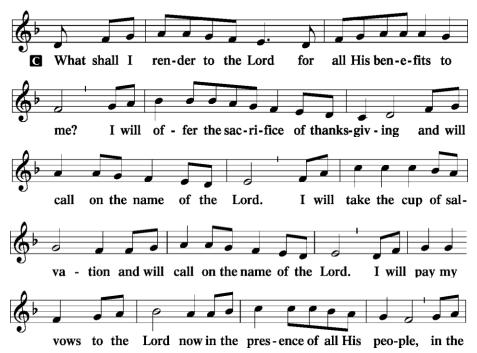
Sit

Offering

O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen – Johannes Brahms

Stand







10:45 Service continues on the next page

Service Concludes (8:15)

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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 forever and ever. Amen

Closing Collect

- P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen

Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord lift His countenance upon you and H give you peace.
- **C** Amen

Closing Hymn: You Are the Way; through You Alone

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Postlude

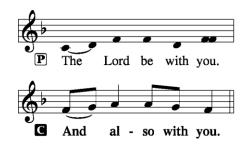
Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele – Johannes Brahms

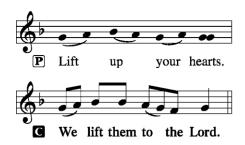
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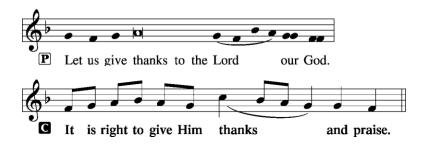
Service of the Sacrament (10:45)

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



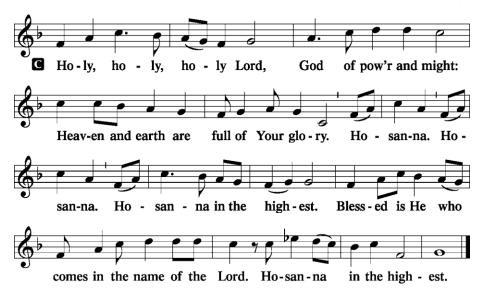




Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

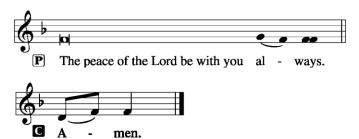
- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

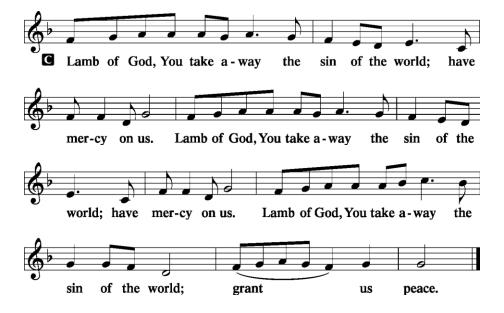
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;

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
forever and ever. Amen

Pax Domini John 20:19



Agnus Dei John 1:29



Distribution

Communion Instructions: The Pastor invites the communicants, those who are able, to kneel and then distributes the host which may be received into the hand or the mouth. The Elder distributes the individual cups. The communicants are asked to hold their cups until the Pastor says, "Take and drink."

Hymn: Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

Hymn: The Law of God Is Good and Wise

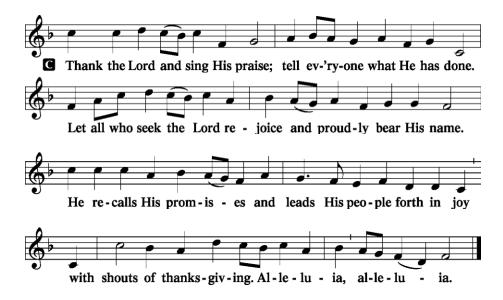
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Hymn: The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace

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Stand

Thank the Lord



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your

saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction Numbers 6:24–26



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.



Closing Hymn: You Are the Way; through You Alone

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Postlude

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele – Johannes Brahms

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY: 8:15 a.m. – Divine Service

Coffee and Fellowship in the Parlor

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School downstairs in Parker Hall

9:45 a.m. – Junior and Senior High classes downstairs in the church

9:45 a.m. – Pastor Walter's Bible Class upstairs in Parker Hall

10:45 a.m. – Divine Service with Holy Communion

MON - FRI: 7:30 a.m. – Early Childhood Development Center

MONDAY: Memorial Day – Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY: 6:30 a.m. – Men's Bible Study (St. Vincent's)

7:00 p.m. – Mid-Week Service

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL - The Sunday School lesson for this week focuses on the story of "Jesus and the Little Children." In our sin, we are like small children: helpless, dependent, and needy. So Jesus came to bestow His love and eternal gifts upon us. *Parents could discuss, "How did Jesus show His compassion on these little children? How does Jesus shower His compassion on us?"*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for children ages 3 years through 6th grade meet in the lower level of the Family Life Center. **JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES** meet in classrooms downstairs in the church.

PASTOR WALTER'S CLASS meets upstairs in the Family Life Center in Parker Hall. Pastor Walter is leading a study on St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans and today will finish Lesson 9 – "Jesus Christ—The End of the Law" – (Romans 9-10).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO:

May 29 – Bill Jones

May 30 - Kari Klein, Myrna Smith

May 31 – Allen Deislinger

June 1 – Steve Gertsch, Pastor Paul Jilg

June 2 – Danielle Wilbert

June 3 – Jacob Ralston

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO:

June 1 – Ame and Roy Andrews

June 2 – Margaret and Eldon Schulz

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Marion Meins is hospitalized at UAMS.

Irvin Clawitter hospitalized at St. Vincent's Medical Center

Rachel Allen is recovering from a fall.

Dennis Fastenau has returned home and continues treatments.

Suzanne Raddle is recovering following foot surgery.

Wilma Richter is recovering following knee replacement surgery.

LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP – **Attendance:** Sunday 5/22: 184 (8:15 – 91 and 10:45 – 93). Mid-Week Service 5/25: 17. **Offerings:** Sunday 5/22: \$7,014.00. Mid-Week Service 5/18: \$260.00. Missions: \$175.00. Memorials and Honorariums: \$225.00. Scholarship Fund: \$25.00. Building Fund: \$625.00.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to the family of Harvey Holzhauer who died last Sunday, May 22nd, in Gillett. Harvey is the grandfather of Lyndsey Dilks and cousin of Carroll Holzhauer. Please remember Harvey's family in your prayers.

<u>VBS WISH LIST</u> — There is a sign-up sheet in the breezeway for supplies that we will need during VBS, June 5-9. Please take a moment to sign up for an item or two! Thank you for your support of our VBS. We are very excited to share God's Word with the children. We couldn't do it without you! Also, registration is open so please fill out a form (found on the table) for your children or grandchildren. If you have any questions, contact Catherine Manchester, Gina Junkans or Diane Roberts.

AN HONORARIUM was given to the Grace General Endowment Fund by Rudy and JoAnn Bischof in honor of Matt and Carly Golladay.

AN HONORARIUM was given to the Grace General Fund by Irvin and Sherry Clawitter in honor of our confirmands, Ethan Andrews, Bailey Cannon and Matthew Warren.

AN HONORARIUM was given to the Grace Music Fund by Riley Middaugh in honor of Anna, Christina, and Emily Junkans.

MEMORIALS -

IN MEMORY OF FRANK GUTIERREZ

TO THE GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND

By Rudy and JoAnn Bischof



BARNYARD ROUNDUP

Jesus Gathers Us Together
June 5 – 9

VBS 2016 is "farm-tastic"! In *Barnyard Roundup* VBS, your children will learn that Jesus gathers us together! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts where Jesus graciously gathers us together to be with Him with His abundant provision and saving protection, now and forever. **VBS begins next Sunday, June 5**th and goes through Thursday, June 9th. Register today!! There are forms on the table in the breezeway. Contact Diane Roberts for registration information.

Be part of *Barnyard Roundup*!!! Call Catherine Manchester at (770) 905-5531 or email cmanchester@icloud.com for more information. Join us to see how Jesus gathers us together!