

**Welcome!** As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

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## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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Prelude: "Adagio" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
*Originally composed for the glass harmonica or musical glasses*

Opening Hymn....."Lift high the cross".....**Hymnal #473**

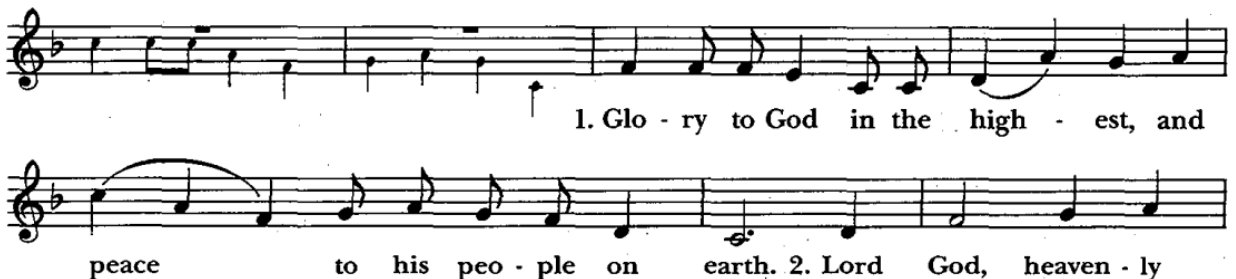
### THE WORD OF GOD

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

## The Collect

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## First Lesson

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Isaiah 50:4-9)

The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens--  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

Reader           The Word of the Lord.

People           **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-8

*The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.*



*The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.*

I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,  
for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name of the LORD:

"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."       ***Antiphon***

Gracious is the LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

The LORD watches over the innocent; I was brought low, and God saved me.

Turn again to your rest, O my soul. for the LORD has dealt well with you.

For you have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;

I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land of the living.       ***Antiphon***

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The Second Lesson

*Reader:* A reading from the letter of James (3:1-12)

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile

and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

*“Christ is the life”*



1 Christ is the life of all that is, God's pure cre - a - tive Word,  
 2 Christ is the death of all that is, a broad and beck - 'ning tomb,  
 3 Christ is the death of all that is, a bright, con - sum - ing fire,  
 4 Christ is the life of all that is, Be - gin - ning and the End;



whose pow'r be - yond and through all space the worlds to Be - ing stirred.  
 who wel - comes us from well - worn ways to dark - ness of the womb.  
 whose flames re - quire our pri - or self as kin - dling for the pyre.  
 cre - a - tive force, most peace - ful death, trans - form - ing burn - ing brand.



Christ is the life be - yond all time, cre - a - tion's birth and breath,  
 Christ is the death, the sink - ing down past all de - sire and fear,  
 Christ is the death of dust - y days of un - cre - a - tive strife,  
 Christ is the life, in whose wise love cre - a - tion lives and dies



whose la - bor brings all things to be and brings all things to death.  
 whose prom - ise in the gen - tle dark bids new - ness to ap - pear.  
 for out from fire we tread up - on the thresh - old of new life.  
 and thus for - ev - er - more shall bless the Source, the liv - ing Christ.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien  
 Music: KINGSFOLD, English melody

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## The Gospel

(Mark 8:27-38)

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

*Reader*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Eggert

## Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,**

eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayers of the People – Form V

*Leader*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy”.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond: Lord, have mercy.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Sean our Presiding Bishop-elect, for Matthew our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, especially Joseph the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, Cory the Mayor of Racine, and all those who are running for office, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community, especially the staff, volunteers and guests of the Hospitality Center and Racine Vocational Ministries, we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all the blessings of our lives, [especially: \_\_\_\_\_] , we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who are sick or suffering, [especially: \_\_\_\_\_], we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, [especially: \_\_\_\_\_], and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.



Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Luke, blessed James DeKoven, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds the following Doxology*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Confession of Sin

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. Please kneel or stand.*

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God**

**we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ**

**have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will,**

**and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your Name. Amen**

*The Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you eternal life. **Amen**

The Peace *All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

“Meditation on ‘Lift high the cross’”

Charles Callahan

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

*Celebrant* All things come of Thee, O Lord

*People* **And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

*Please Stand*

*Book of Common Prayer 367*

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

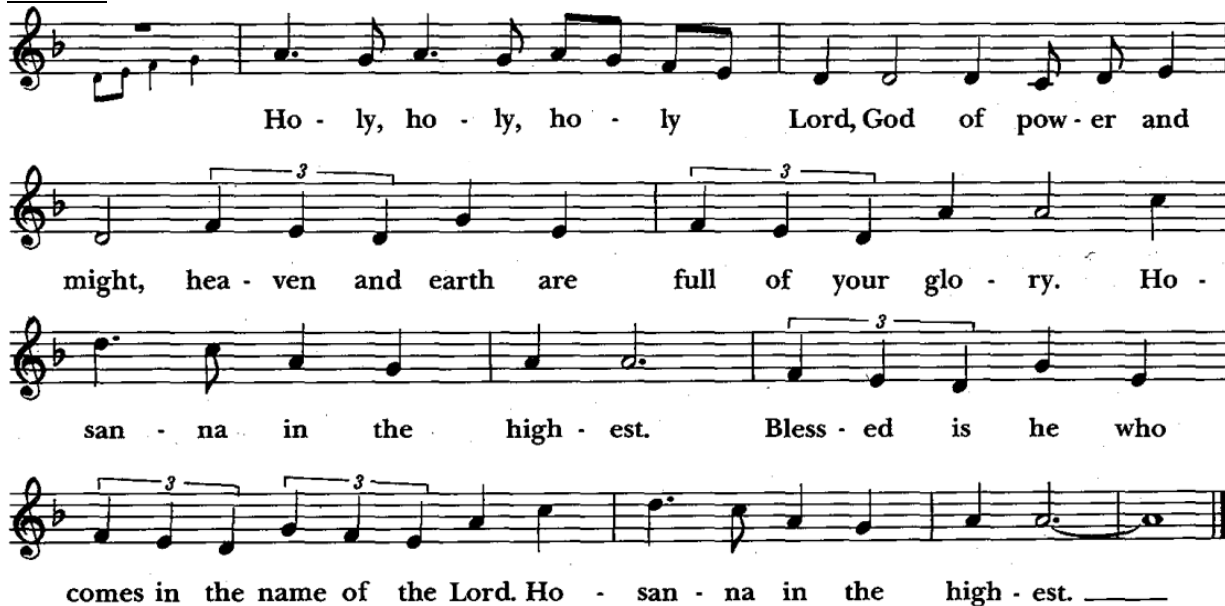
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. . . Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven 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. —

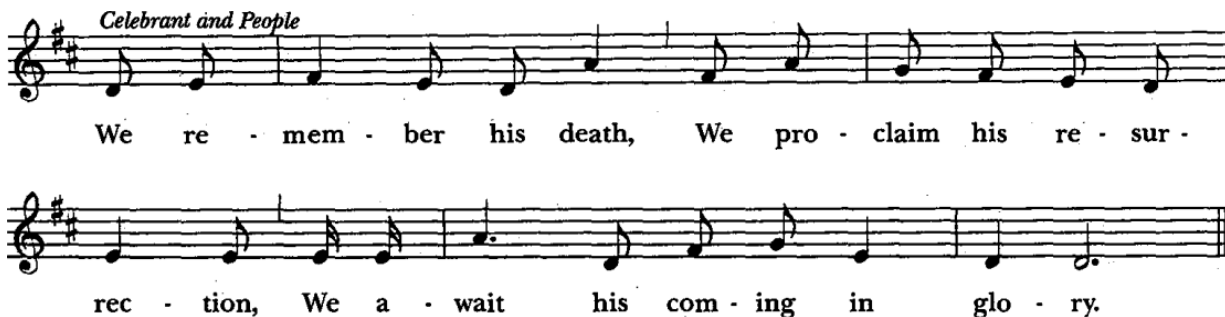
Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*The people may kneel or stand.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. . .

Therefore, according to your command, O Father,



*Celebrant and People*  
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -  
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you O Lord of all. . .  
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours,  
Almighty Father, now and forever.



Setting: McNeil Robinson II (b. 1943)

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People:*

A series of eight lines of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb). The melody is a simple, steady line of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating that the notes are sustained across the words. The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread. and for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,"

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be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. and for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,

and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Plainsong; Adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Fraction

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 there - fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Communion

*In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord. If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine.*

Communion Hymn.....“*And now, O Father, mindful of the love*”.....Hymnal #337

Post-communion Prayer

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

*Celebrant* (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).  
*People* **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of  
Christ's presence.**

*Celebrant* May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that  
community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All* **Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn                      *"Take up your cross, the Savior said"*                      Hymn #675

Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude                      *"Postlude in F minor"*                      Luise Adolpha Le Beau

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If you are visiting St. Luke's, we welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord.

If you have any questions or want to know more about St. Luke's Church, please speak with an usher.

## **TODAY'S MINISTERS**

**ACOLYE:** Michelle and Sofia Reyes

**ALTAR GUILD:** Marshall Cushman, Chris Schatzman

**FIRST READER:** Mick Burk

**SECOND READER:** Cindy Ganzel

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Tricia Frost

**PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY:** Hazel Dickfoss

**USHERS:** Tricia Frost, Debbie Bruno

**CANTOR:** Jim Cook

**COFFEE HOUR:** Men of the Church

**NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR:** Vestry

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

For our Parish

### **For those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound**

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Chris, Ron, Gerald, Lisa, Jean, Pam, Jack, Neil, Olivia, Bill, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Esther, Elias **Homebound:** Barbara, Jeanne

### **For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:**

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's  
Diocese of Milwaukee Hospitality Center  
Racine Vocational Ministry,  
The DeKoven Center

### **For the Church: In the World**

The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)  
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti  
Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

### **Special Offering**

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **Racine Vocational Ministries**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Becky Turk to the glory of God and in memory of her father, Robert Hart's birthday

## **Planning for End of Life- September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Pat and Deacon REGS Scheeler will present the second part of their two-part workshop on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The purpose of the workshop is to aid in addressing the wishes of those at the end of life and easing the distress and grief of those left behind. Pat worked in a financial setting for over 30 years and REGS has served as a deacon in the Diocese of Milwaukee for over 44 years. The workshop consists of a program called ‘*Five Wishes: A Way of Planning for and Discussing Care at the End of Life*’, and includes how to record data that will help the person organize their thoughts and wishes. End of Life planning can spare those left behind unnecessary grief, distress, and expense of time following the person’s death. Please plan to join us in the parish hall on September 22, following the worship service. It doesn’t matter if you were unable to attend the first session on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **Sunday School Program**

St. Luke’s Sunday School program for toddlers through Confirmation-age youngsters is today. Meeting after church in Simpson Hall. We are always happy to welcome children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and neighbors! Help us fill our classes youngsters who will learn about God’s amazing love for them!

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