

# THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,  
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in Worldwide Missions*



## ✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

**OPENING HYMN** "The God of Abraham Praise" (LSB 798)  
Verses 1-4

### INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## ✠ WORD ✠

### INTROIT

*Psalm 119:57–60, 64; antiphon: v. 105*

**P** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

- C** The LORD is my portion;  
I promise to keep Your words.
- P** I entreat Your favor with all my heart;  
be gracious to me according to Your promise.
- C** When I think on my ways,  
I turn my feet to Your testimonies;
- P** I hasten and do not delay  
to keep Your commandments.
- C** The earth, O LORD, is full of Your steadfast love;  
teach me Your statutes!
- C** 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** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

### KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

### GLORIA "He Is Exalted" sung twice (Twila Paris)

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise him.

He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise his name.

He is the Lord; forever his truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high. (Repeat)

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### SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may 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.

✠ **WORD** ✠

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Genesis 18:1–10a (10b–14)* (Sarah laughs when she hears that she shall have a son.)

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (Chisholm/Trenney)  
Laura Streich, vocal soloist

**EPISTLE READING** *Colossians 1:21–29* (The mystery—that the Gentiles are included in God’s promises—is cause for rejoicing among the Colossian Christians.)

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 10:38–42* (Martha learns that her sister Mary has chosen to listen to Jesus; she has chosen well.)

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*(Please be seated)*

## BIBLE LESSON

### SERMON HYMN

"The God of Abraham Praise" (LSB 798)  
Verses 5 & 7 Women & Girls  
Verses 6 & 8 Men & Boys  
Verse 9 All We Rise

### SERMON

"By Faith - Abraham" (Hebrews 11:8-10)  
Pastor Brad Urbach

#### ***By Faith – Hebrews 11***

***<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.***

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11:00 Apostles' Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

## OFFERING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*(Please stand)*

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Everlasting God, You have made known the mystery long hidden and revealed the glory of the Gospel of Christ in us. Bring us and all the saints through the changes and chances



of this mortal life, that we may be presented by Christ to You, as those whom Christ has made holy and righteous and fit for eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Heavenly Father, You made Paul a minister of Your Word. Abide with all pastors and those studying to be pastors, with all deacons and deaconesses, with missionaries and translators, and with teachers and all who work to bring Your Word to Your people, that their labors may be fruitful and their hearts faithful. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Gracious Lord, Your Son endured the cross for our sakes and is now seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Be with the young people of the LCMS as they gather in New Orleans this week. Fix their eyes on Jesus and strengthen them with hope and confidence to endure all trials and challenges as His disciples. Bless those who work and serve them, especially their parents. Give them a safe homecoming and fill our homes with the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, we live in a land of great abundance, and we carry great responsibility for the good things of this nation. Bless all who make, judge and administer our laws, and guide our leaders to know Your ways and to follow them for the good of all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Compassionate Father, in Your mercy You behold all people in their needs, and by Your grace You supply all that we need for this body and life and for everlasting life. Hear us on behalf of the sick and those who suffer, the grieving and the dying, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] and those we name in our hearts. Help them all to rejoice in their sufferings for the sake of Christ and give healing and grace according to Your will until You deliver Your people to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord, one thing is necessary. Out of great mercy, You set that good portion before us in the blessed Sacrament. Help us to treasure this precious gift above all earthly things, and grant that it may never be taken away from us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Merciful God, You have forgiven our sins and delivered us from death through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Continue to pour out Your mercy upon us, grant to us all good things needful to this body and life and keep from us all things harmful. From You, through You and to You are all things, O Lord, holy Father, mighty God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit is one Lord, one God, now and forevermore.

**C** Amen.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.

The 11:00 am service continues on page 9 with the Benediction.



**IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION:** According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the

meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

**Communion Distribution:** We offer both the common cup and individual cup. If you desire to receive Jesus' blood in the common cup, you are invited to come forward in the first group (after the Elders and Pastors receive communion). If you desire to receive his blood in the individual cups, you may remain in your seat and the Ushers will dismiss you row by row. If you desire to receive Jesus' body and blood in your seat, please let one of our Ushers know and we will bring you communion at the end of the distribution.

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

**8:30 am service**

### WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25*

### PAX DOMINI

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

**C** Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared" (LSB 622)

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" (LSB 729)

"Thine Forever, God of Love" (LSB 687)

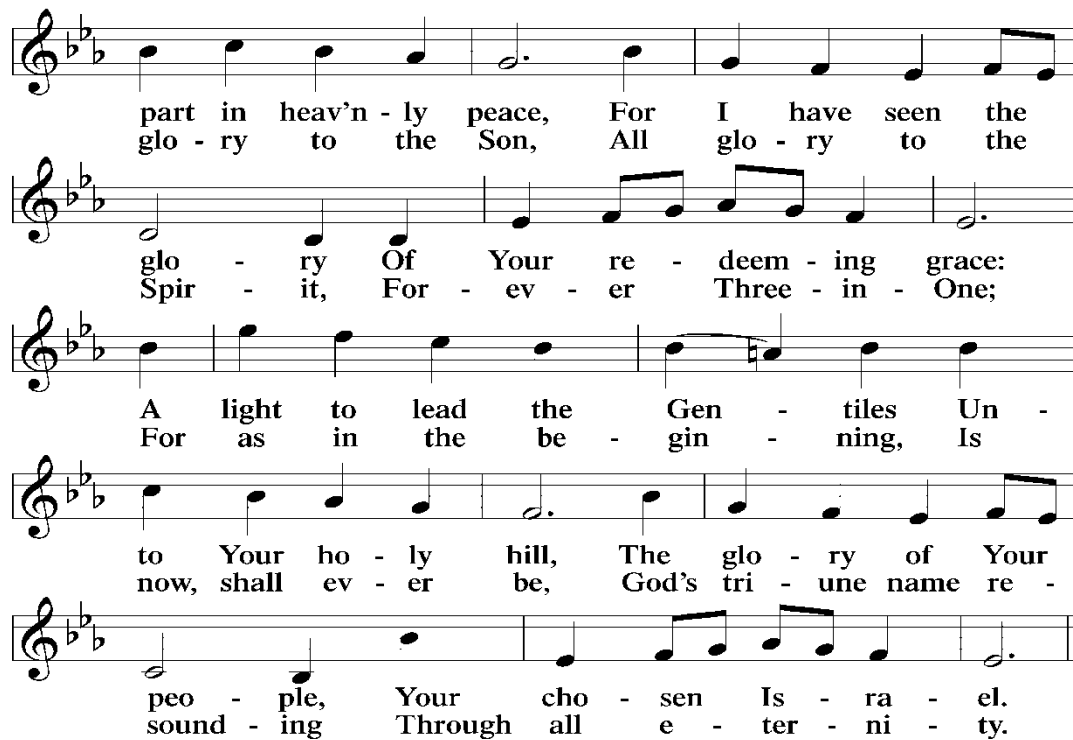


*(Please stand)*

### NUNC DIMITTIS

Musical notation for the hymn "Nunc Dimittis" in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is written on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the staff, with two verses indicated by a 'C' in a square and the numbers 1 and 2.

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is  
to now, Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**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.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICAMUS

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



## BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

**P** <sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup> equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us<sup>[a]</sup> that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

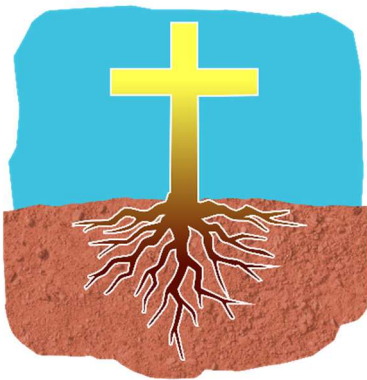


**C** Amen. (Spoken)

**CLOSING HYMN** "God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven" (LSB 877)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**AS WE GATHER** We try to exercise our freedom and planning, but God's way is always better. It was better for Abraham and Sarah in the Old Testament Reading and gets Mary's attention in the Gospel. It was still taking some time for the new believers of Colossae to fathom that God had done so much for them in Christ. And when their friends found the treasure of the Gospel, they, too, must have laughed that God had such gracious plans for them, plans that are always better than they imagined.

*As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him. Colossians 2:6–7a*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion card.

Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

*"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b*

**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Sixth Sunday after Pentecost!** We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

**Preaching** this morning is Rev. Brad Urbach, our Visitation Pastor. Rev. Sam Handschke is at the National Youth Gathering.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



**Hebrews** Come, join us for Word, coffee & mini muffins courtesy of the book of Hebrews. Today we will finish Chapter 10 and read chapters 11 & 12 and see what passages reach out and grab us!

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## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**Wed. Jul. 9, Att. Not recorded;** Offering \$0.00; **Sun., Jul. 13, Att. 247;** General Fund \$7,049.98; Building Fund \$235.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$1,055.00; Broadcasts \$105.00; Medora Trip \$3,183.00; Circuit Bible Camp \$80.00.

**ENDOWMENT FUND** When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

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**Women's Fun Night**

**When: Monday August 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

**Location: Old Mesa's Diner – 1601 N Harrison**

**Menu: Taco Bar and Dessert**

**Cost: \$17.50**

**Sign-up sheet is on the desk in the Narthex**

**Sign-up until July 29<sup>th</sup>**



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**ADULT BIBLE STUDY - COMING THIS FALL, 2025**

**A Study of the Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ.**



*Is the message of The Revelation one of Terror or one of Comfort?*

*Does The Revelation describe future events in chronological order or in some other order?*

*What is "The Tribulation" and when will it begin, or has it already begun?*

These and many other questions will be answered during our study.

**Watch for sign-up sheets beginning July 20 through August 17. Class size will be limited, so there will be two or more opportunities to attend during the week.**

**Due to limited classroom space, the Study will be scheduled Sundays between Services (9:45 to 10:45 AM), and one or two alternate times during the week, depending upon interest.**

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**Thanks to “Do-Gooders”** – Each week we will highlight people who are doing good within our church, community, and world, with the intent of affirming the ways that all of us “Do Good.”

This week we would like to thank the members of the Mary-Martha Circle for serving lunch at the funeral service of Judy Gerig: Kathleen Monfore, Char Arneson, Loretta Jochim, Mary Buxcel, Dawn Koch, Rena Ortbahn, Joan Rogotzke, Laurie Schultz, Grace Schmitgen, and Laura Streich, as well as the ladies of the Berea Circle: Donna Gohl, Arlene Even, and Bernadine Hinckley. Judy was a member of Berea as well as her sister, Tina Haug, and sister-in-law, Carol Fosheim. This lunch gave Judy’s family an opportunity to share memories and stories in an uplifting atmosphere. Thanks to the ladies of both the Mary-Martha and Berea Circles.

**Medora Trip** We have two openings left if anyone would like to join us on our trip to Medora. Please contact the office **soon** at 224-2216 if you are interested. You may go to [faithluth.com](http://faithluth.com) and click on the Medora button (on the far right) for more information and a tentative schedule. The trip is Monday, August 11 through Wednesday, August 13. We leave Monday morning from the Faith Lutheran parking lot at 8:30 am. It will be a fun trip!



## **COUNTRY FAIR GIFT BASKETS NEEDS – DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 1st**

Mark your calendar! The Faith Lutheran LWML will once again host the Country Fair fall bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 1 pm.

Gift baskets are a popular item at the Country Fair. Good quality baskets (*not the type typically used for Easter baskets*) are needed, along with new items that will fit in a basket. Please leave donations in Narthex coat closet – mark them “for gift baskets”.

### **Among items needed by September 1st:**

- \$5 or \$10 gift cards from Scooter’s, Caribou Coffee, Taco John’s, Subway, Dairy Queen, etc.
- Christmas-themed items
- Snowman items
- Baby blankets, baby toys, rattles, baby bath wash, baby books
- Assorted (wrapped) hard candy, candy bars, jerky sticks
- Individual serving size packets of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, soup
- Wooden spoons, soup mugs, small (new) cookbooks
- Hand soaps, lotions
- Candles, cute notepads, cloth napkins
- Small home décor items that will fit in a gift basket

**NOTE - A limited number of gift baskets are made, so some items may be held over for future use.**



**Building Healthy Families:** Each person’s experience with grief following an important loss is unique, yet we share one thing in common: we all need someone to hear us, listen to our stories, and be witness to our deep loss, without becoming overwhelmed or needing to fix it for us. Many are struggling with grief. Lutheran Family Service’s grief specialist Dr. Mark Vande Braak - a life-long LCMS Lutheran - is available to you or anyone you know who has suffered

traumatic loss or grief. Meet with Dr. Mark in-person in Sioux Falls, South Dakota or via your phone, tablet, or computer from anywhere in the United States. Reach out to LFS today for more information or to schedule a time to talk with Dr. Mark. It's why we're here. Email [info@lutheranfamilyservice.org](mailto:info@lutheranfamilyservice.org), call 605-271-1081, or use the "contact us" link on the LFS website. We'll be happy to hear from you. **Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

**Main Street Living** "Main Street Living" is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, "This is the Life." Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) to view current and past episodes. **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), and are available the day before they are broadcast.

**July 20, 2025**

*KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1*

**10:00am - "Love Not Enough"** - A young couple struggles mightily with the decision to marry, exploring what is truly important.

**10:30 AM - Rev. Brett Simek**, pastor at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD, presents a message titled "The Good Portion". The sermon is based on Luke 10:38-42. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com)

**Life Quotes** "Sometimes the answer to a problem is as simple as asking for help. Let's not hesitate to bring all our questions, troubles, and needs to the Lord. Thank Him for the people He provides for our help. Pray that He will give you the opportunity today to be His help to others." *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

# Faith Lutheran Youth



Our youth group left Friday for the LCMS Youth Gathering! **Please keep them in your prayers!** The LCMS Youth Gathering is July 19-23, 2025, in New Orleans, Louisiana. LCMS youth and adult leaders will visit the city under the theme Endure based on Hebrews 12:1-3. Held every three years, LCMS Youth Gatherings provide young people an opportunity to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity. During the five-days of the Gathering youth spend time together in worship, God's Word, prayer, song and service. This event is organized by LCMS Youth Ministry in Saint Louis, Missouri.

**VBS** This year's VBS theme is: Epic Australian Adventure. VBS will run from August 3<sup>rd</sup> through August 7<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 pm. Our Boards will be serving a light meal for staff and participants at 5 pm.





## ***This Week at Faith Lutheran***

### **Today: Jul. 20**

National Youth Gathering  
8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Hebrews Reading  
11:00 am Communion  
1:00 pm Bd. Steward/Endow.  
3:00 pm Board of Education

### **Mon: Jul. 21**

National Youth Gathering  
6:30 pm Prayer Care

### **Tues: Jul. 22**

National Youth Gathering  
8:00 am Staff Devotions  
10:30 am Women's Study (Joshua)

### **Wed: Jul. 23**

National Youth Gathering  
7:00 pm Chapel/Communion  
8:00 pm LYF

### **Thurs: Jul. 24**

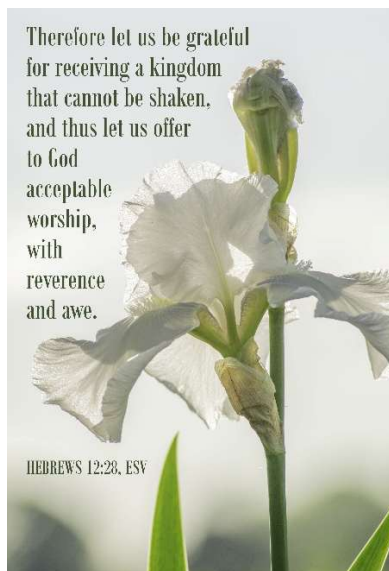
National Youth Gathering  
8:00 am Staff Devotions  
12:00-6:00 pm Main St. Living  
Taping

### **Sat: Jul. 26**

3:30 PM Kaiser/Kusler Wedding

### **Sun: Jul. 27**

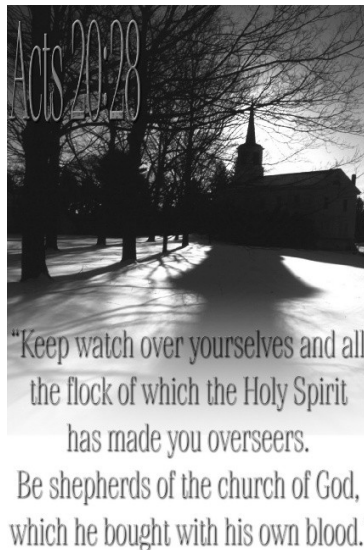
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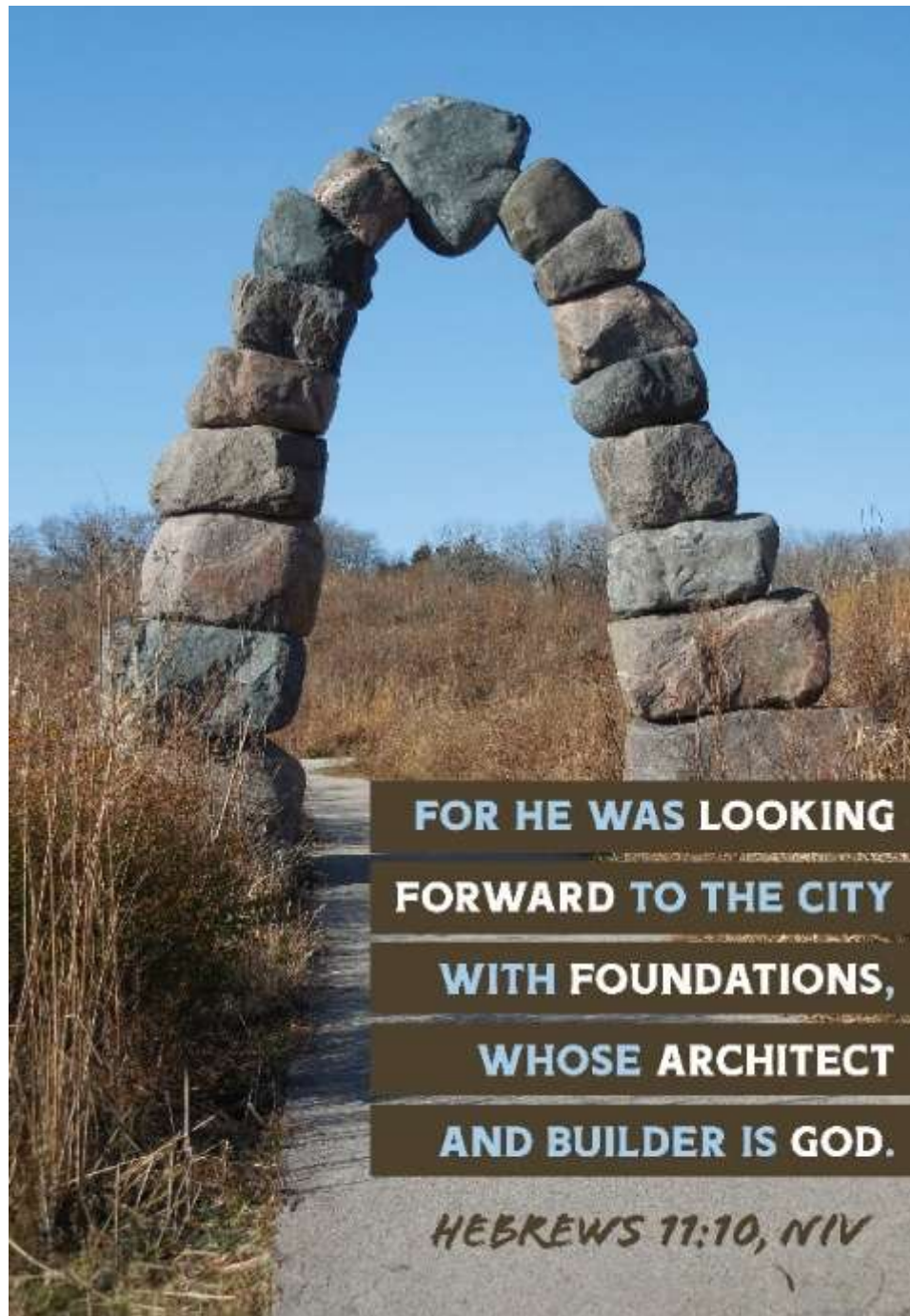




**Here is a list of our Elders and the letter of the alphabet of the names of members they are responsible for. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact your assigned Elder.**

<b>John Barber</b>	<b>responsible for</b>	<b>(K, N)</b>
<b>Justin Bell</b>		<b>(H, Z)</b>
<b>Ron Bren</b>		<b>(C, G)</b>
<b>Travis Cornelison</b>		<b>(D, E)</b>
<b>Bill Dunn</b>		<b>(M)</b>
<b>Bob Green</b>		<b>(L, Q)</b>
<b>Dan Haberling</b>		<b>(S)</b>
<b>Dallan Hoefener</b>		<b>(R, I, J, Y)</b>
<b>Peter Iverson</b>		<b>(V, W)</b>
<b>Matt King</b>		<b>(F, T, U)</b>
<b>Paul Poppe</b>		<b>(B)</b>
<b>Dennis Ryckman</b>		<b>(A, O, P)</b>





**FOR HE WAS LOOKING  
FORWARD TO THE CITY  
WITH FOUNDATIONS,  
WHOSE ARCHITECT  
AND BUILDER IS GOD.**

*HEBREWS 11:10, NIV*