

He said to them, "But who
do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter answered,

"You are the
Christ

SON OF THE
LIVING GOD

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Setting Seven

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

Jays & Concerns

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C. Amen

P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,

C. we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Righteous God,

C. we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P. God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

C. Amen

Gathering Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

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The Greeting

P. From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.

C. And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are in Spanish and English, with the Spanish text above the English text. The first two staves are identical. The third and fourth staves are also identical.

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra a-que-llos que a-ma el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

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And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

Prayer of the Day

A. Let us pray

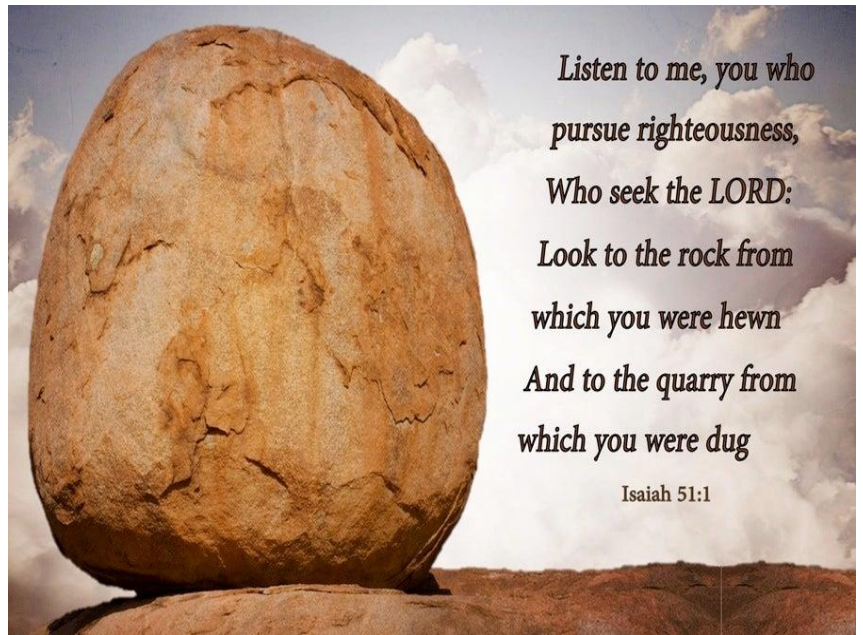
C. O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.

For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.



*Listen to me, you who
pursue righteousness,
Who seek the LORD:
Look to the rock from
which you were hewn
And to the quarry from
which you were dug*

Isaiah 51:1

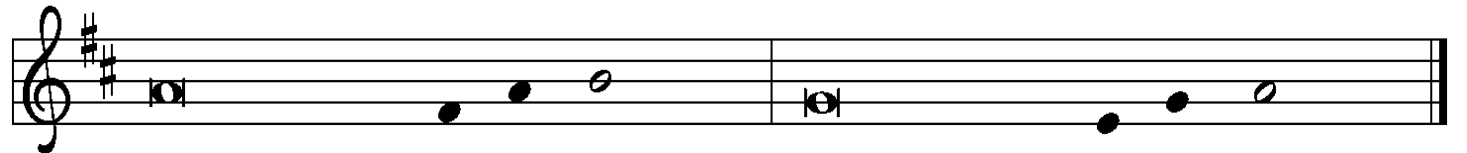
Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

L. Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Psalmody Psalm 138 (tone 1) chanted responsively



I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with ¹ my whole heart;
before the gods I will ¹ sing your praise.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your steadfast ¹ love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word a- ¹ bove all things.**

When I called, you ¹ answered me;
you increased my ¹ strength within me.

**All the rulers of the earth will praise ¹ you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words ¹ of your mouth.**

They will sing of the ways ¹ of the LORD,
that great is the glory ¹ of the LORD.

**The LORD is high, yet cares ¹ for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty ¹ from afar.**

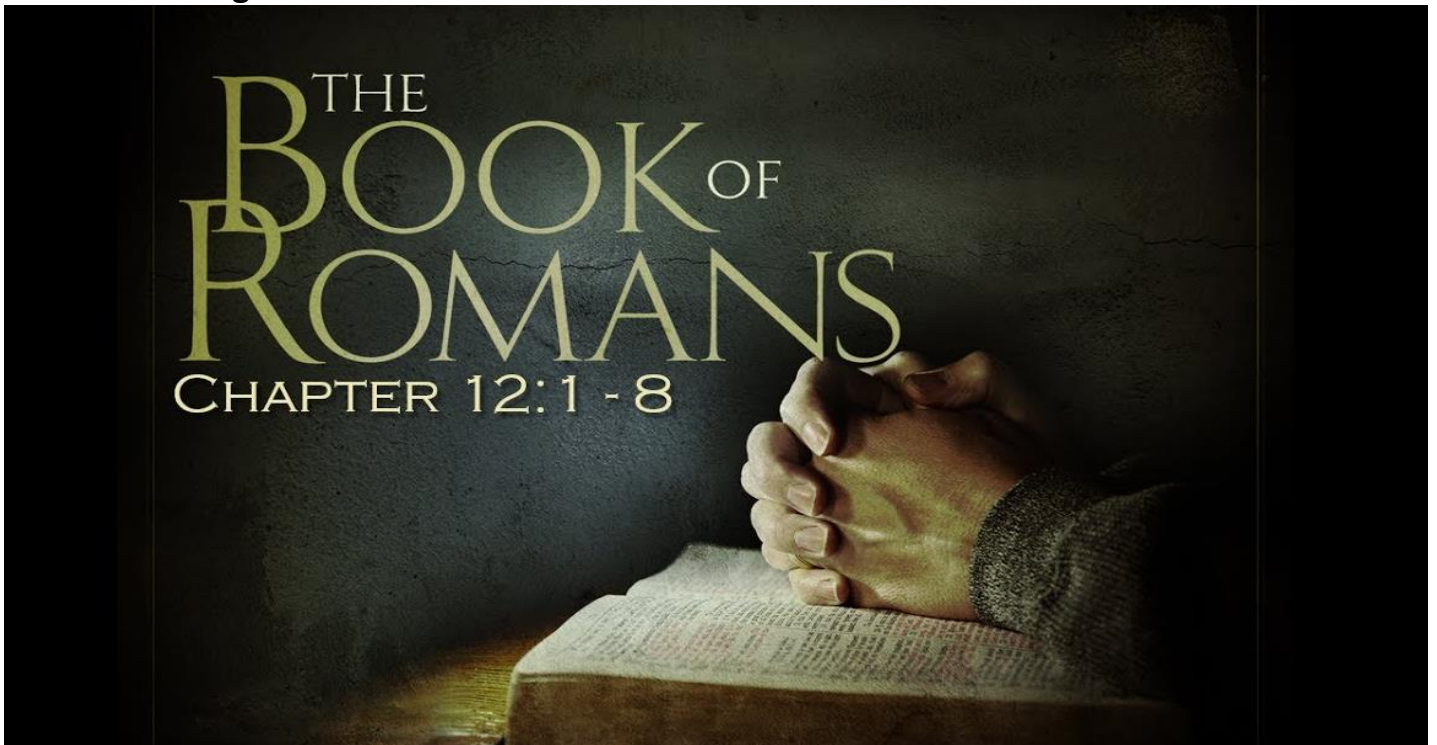
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you ¹ keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right ¹ hand shall save me.

**You will make good your pur- ¹ pose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;
do not abandon the works ¹ of your hands.**

The Lord
will fulfill
His purpose
for me;
Thy
steadfast love,
O Lord,
endures
for ever.
Psalm 138:8



Second Reading



I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

L. Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.



Alleluia

Gospel Acclamation



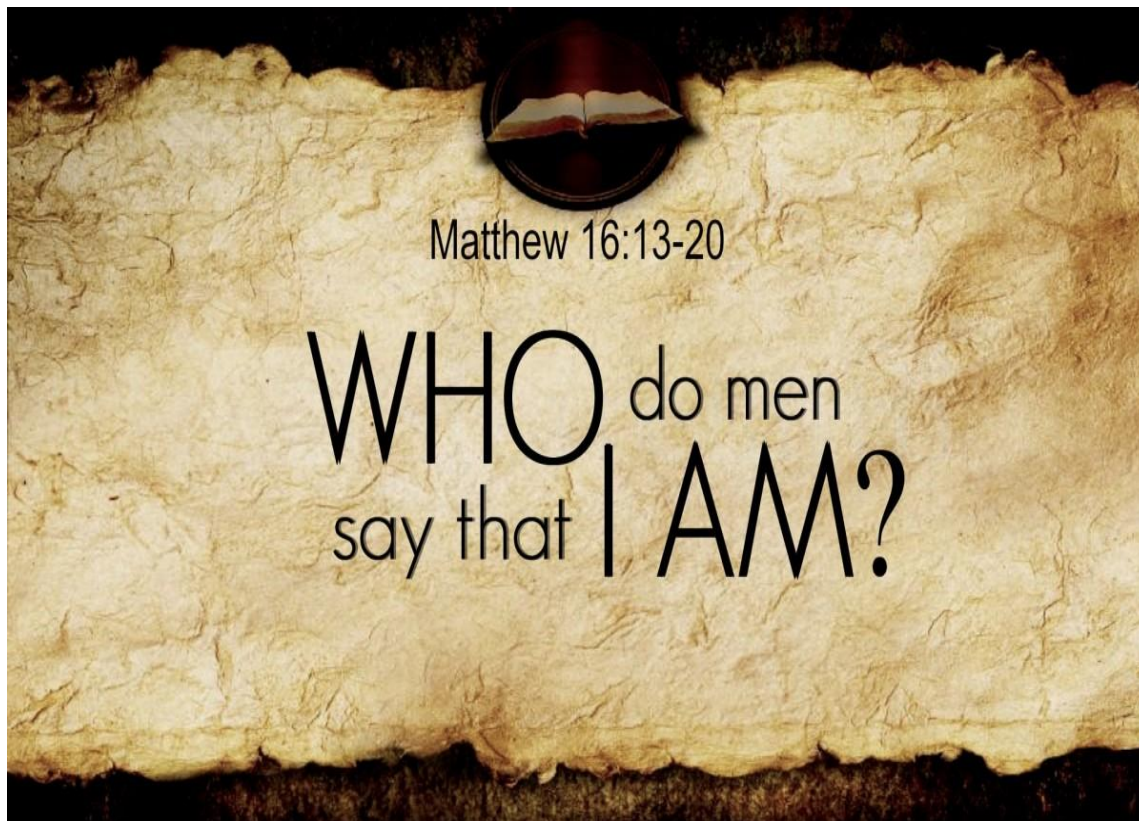
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P. The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew, chapter sixteen.



Matthew 16:13-20

WHO do men
say that I AM?

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

P. The gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Pastor Timothy J. Brown

Hymn of the Day

Built on a Rock

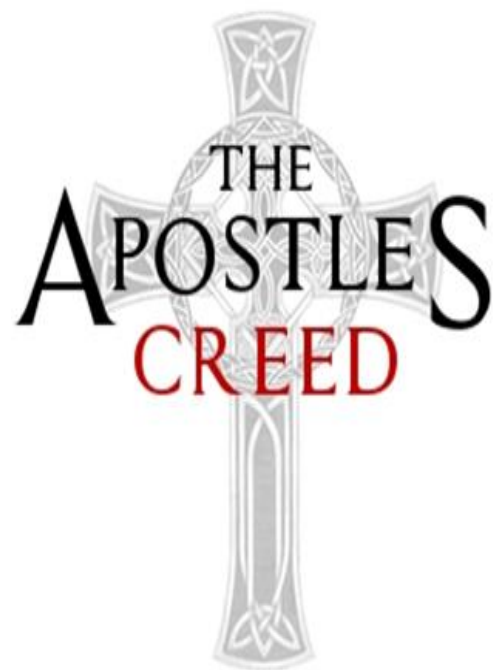
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The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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



Prayers of Intercession

- A. Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence

God of Sarah and Abraham, inspire your church to pursue righteousness in its ministry. Equip us to share your compassion that unites us as one family of faith. Hear us, O God.

C. Your mercy is great.

- P. Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

C. Amen.

The Peace

- P. Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled. May His peace be with you always.

C. And also with you.



The Offering

Anthem

*You Are the Christ **

~ L. Larson

*Today's anthem, sung from Peter's perspective, recounts his experience as Jesus's disciple and concludes with his powerful affirmation of faith: "You are the Christ."

Let the Vineyards . . .

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

A. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right . . .



The Sanctus



San - to, san - to, san - to_es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to_es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.



San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to_es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,



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Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on



tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne_en el
earth. Blest is he who comes in the



nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



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di - to el que vie - ne_en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.
Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.



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

Invitation to Communion

P. All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

C. Amen.

O Lamb of God

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
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Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Communion Hymns

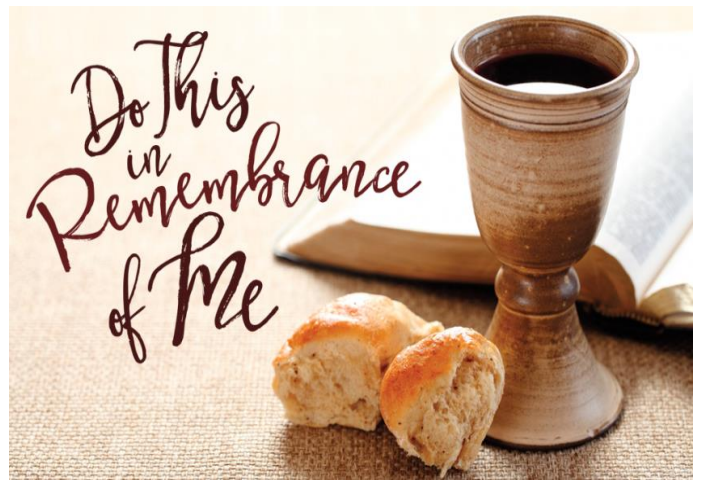
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me ELW 623

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us ELW 358

Post Communion Blessing and Canticle

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace and peace.

C. Amen



Lord, Now You Let Your Servant Go in Peace



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace. Your WORD has been ful-



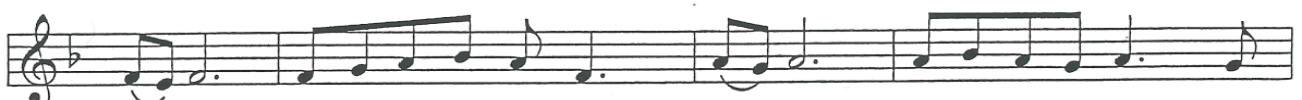
filled. My own eyes have seen the SAL-VA-TION which



You have pre-pared in the sight of ev'-ry peo-ple: a LIGHT, to re -



veal You to the na-tions, and the GLO-RY of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el!



Glo ry! Glo-ry to the FA -THER! Glo- ry! Glo-ry to the SON! And



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to the HO - LY SPI - RIT!



As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and will be for -



ev - er, A - men. A - men. A - men.

Post Communion Prayer

- A. We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.
Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our
dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.

Blessing

- P. The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and
sustain you now and to the end of the age.
- C. Amen.

Sending Hymn

We All Are One in Mission

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Dismissal

- A. Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Servers for Sunday, August 27th

Assisting Minister..... Shannon Thomsen
Reader Mary Cook
Altar Guild Helen Holderman
Greeters/Counters Alecia Harrison/Sylvia Lambert



Flowers this week are in honor of
Dr. Brad Hunnicutt.

Candles this month are provided by Julia
Lochra in celebration of family Birthdays.

Honor a loved one by making a donation for
the candles in the sanctuary for the month or
the flowers that beautify the church each
Sunday.

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board
in the hallway.

*After Worship Fellowship today
will be a Pot Luck Farewell Luncheon
in honor of Dr. Brad Hunnicutt.*



*Pray for your
Call Committee*

Family of Monna Stamm

Kathy Hart's brother, Dan – released from rehab, recovering from a stroke

Ginny King's sister, Mary Anna Strickler – broken hip; hip replacement

Sylvia Lambert's grandson, Ian – deployment to Republic of Niger, West Africa

Tess Andrews' brother, David Van Benschoten

Holly Hans' sister, Heather House & her family

Wendy Casey's mom, Barbara – under hospice care

Father of Julya Mirro - (Gale's friend)

Lora Clark's friend, Rebecca Bowman – recovering

Clyde Bogle's sister-in-law, Wanda – cancer

Judy Stewart – multiple health issues

Carolyn Watkins – recovering from minor stroke

Mr. Smith, neighbor of Carolyn Watkins

Sheryll's friend Tony – terminal cancer

Rebecca Swanson's sister in PA – Post Polio Syndrome

Rebecca Swanson's Great-Niece, Hope Emmaline – on-going health issues

Rebecca Swanson's nephew – Dr. David Shaefer

Tim & Rita's sister-in-law, Jane Clark – breast cancer has returned

Pam Klawiter's co-worker, Carolyn Harbertson – breast cancer

Linda Hash's brother, Charles Barlow

Linda Hash's sister-in-law, Beth Hash Lennon

Holly Han's mother, Carol Hardy

Diana Havenstein

Donna Hannah – bad fall

Mary Ann Jackson

Dayshaun

Peg Stamp, myeloma

Jim Powers

Jonathan McCoy

Sharon Vietri

The logo features the word "prayer" in a large, dark grey, serif font. A green palm frond is positioned behind the letters "ay". Below "prayer", the words "EVERY DAY" are written in a smaller, dark grey, sans-serif font.

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