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The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

arr. Todd Kendall



Pastor Wolfgang

Confession and Forgiveness

- **P.** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.
- P. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C. Amen.
- **P.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

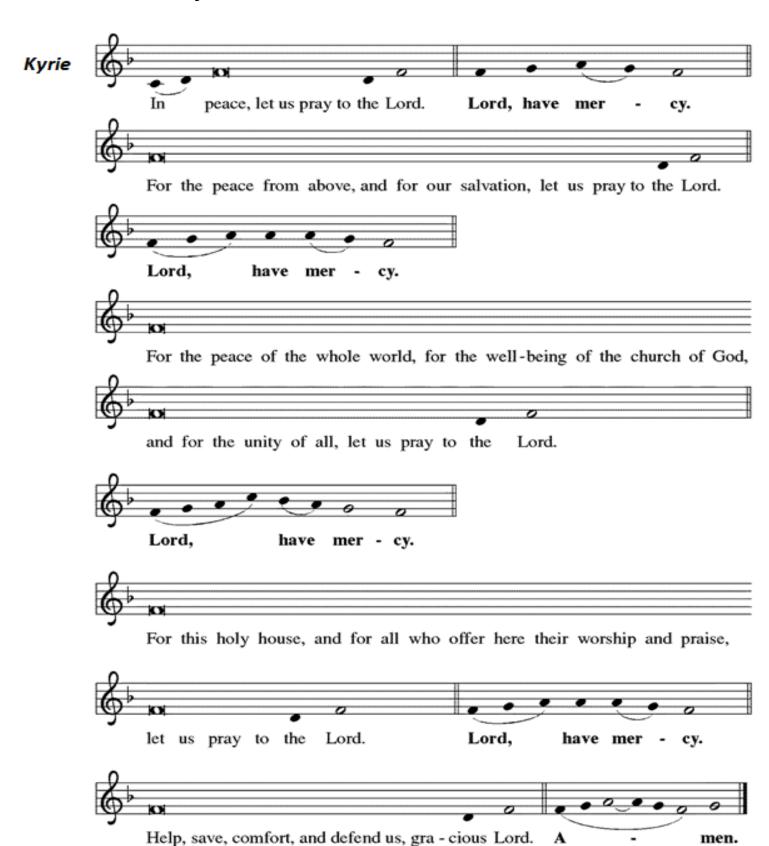
- P. Most merciful God,
- C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the 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.
- P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen

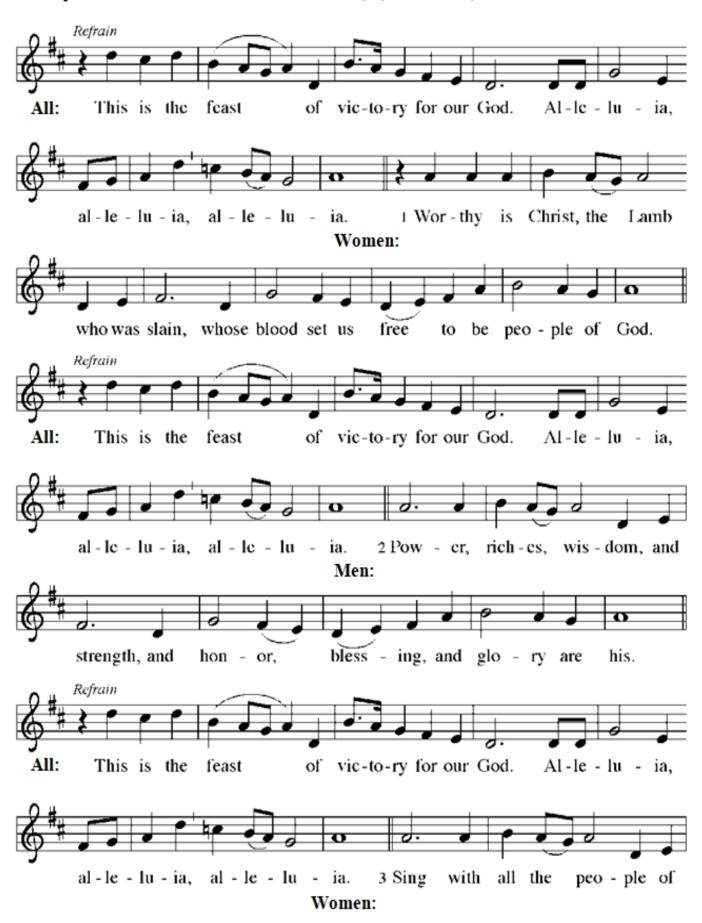
The Peace

- **P.** May the peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C. And also with you.

Greeting

- **P.** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.







Prayer of the Day

- **A.** Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.

First Reading Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

- ⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
- ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!
- ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
- ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.
- ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.
- ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.
- ¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.
- ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.
- L. Word of God. Word of life.
- C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

Chanted Responsively



¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

¹³Return, O Lord; how long | will you tarry? Be gracious | to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love | in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad | all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you af- | flicted us and as many years as we suf- | fered adversity.

¹⁶Show your ser- | vants your works, and your splendor | to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God | be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; pros- | per our handiwork.

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

- **L.** Word of God. Word of life.
- C. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



- P. The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- C. Glory to you, O God.

Mark 10:17-31

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow

me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

- P. The gospel of the Lord.
- C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon "Jesus wants my checkbook? Really?" Pastor Wolfgang

Hymn of the Day Lord of Light ELW 688

Holy Baptism Jamison Ellis Stone

Pastor In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and

death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love,

and obedience to the will of God.

Sponsors We present Jamison Ellis Stone for baptism.

Pastor Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God,

do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Response We do.

Pastor

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that your child may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response We do.

Pastor

Do you promise to nurture this child in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response We do.

Pastor

People of God, do you promise to support Jamison Ellis Stone and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

People

We do.

Pastor

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

People

I renounce them.

Pastor

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

People

I renounce them.

Pastor

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

People

I renounce them.

Pastor Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit

moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People Amen.

Pastor Jamison Ellis Stone, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

People You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

Pastor Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your siblings new birth, cleanse them from sin. and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Jamison with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

People Amen.

Pastor Jamison Ellis Stone, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

People Amen.

Pastor Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Pastor Let us welcome Jamison, newly baptized, to this congregation of faith.

People We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.



A. Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence

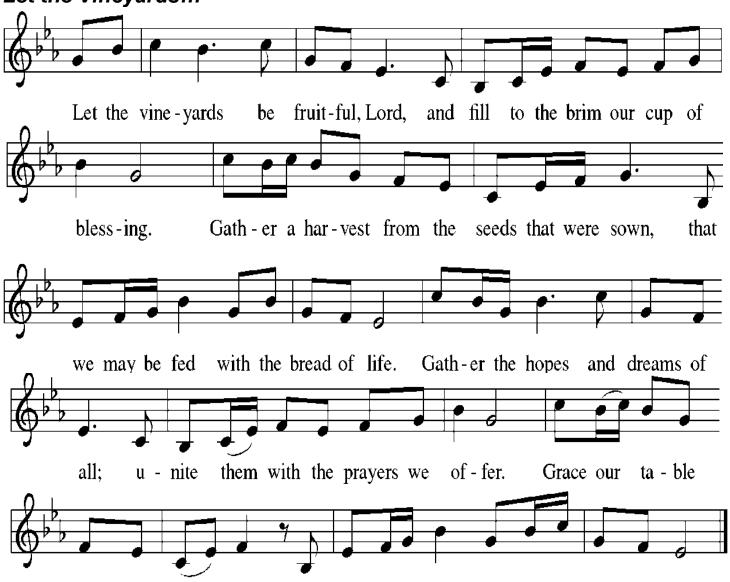
- **A.** Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.
- **A.** Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace
- C. hear our prayer.
- **A.** Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.
- **A.** Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.
- **A.** Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land. We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace.
- C. hear our prayer.

Other Prayers

- **A.** Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.
- **P.** Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.
- C. Amen.

Anthem

Let the Vineyards...



A. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

C. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

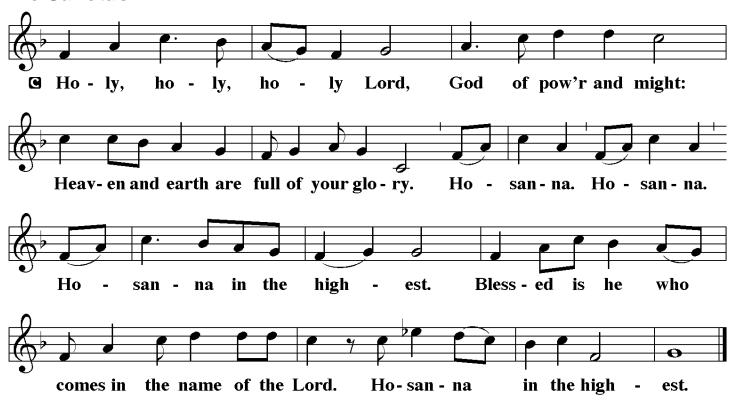


The Great Thanksgiving

- 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, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The Sanctus





Words of Institution

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

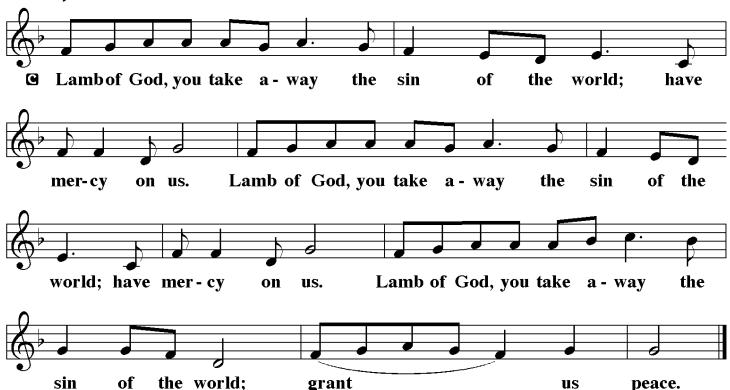


Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Invitation to Communion

- **P.** Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God. All are welcome, no exceptions.
- C. Alleluia!

Jesus, Lamb of God

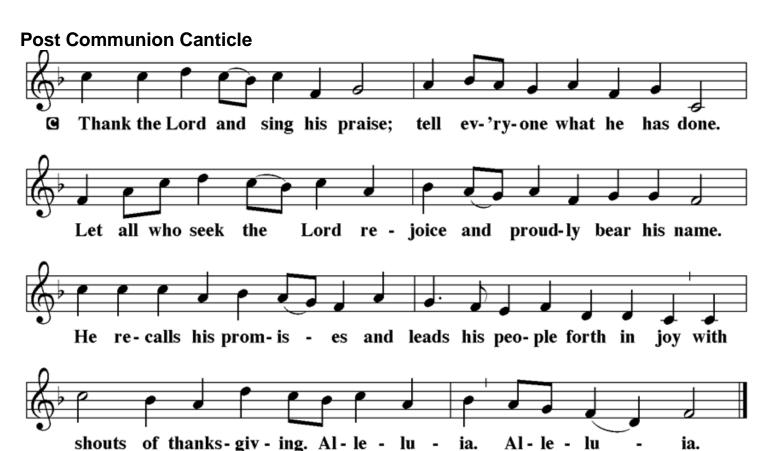


Communion Hymns

Post Communion Blessing

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

C. Amen



Post Communion Prayer

A. Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.





Blessing

- P. Now may the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ⊕ give you peace.
- C. Amen.

Dismissal

- A. Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
- C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Voluntary Allegro ~John Garth

Gail Hrobuchak

Servers for Sunday, October 13th

Assisting Minister/Reader.		Shannon Thomsen
Reader		Sharyl Eggert
Altar Guild		Sylvia Lambert
Greeters/Counters	Terry Barnes /	Shannon Thomsen
Acolyte		Antonio Smith



Please consider spending time giving glory to God on a Sunday morning by filling one of the various worship assistant positions. Sign-up sheets on the BB in the hallway



Flowers this week are in memory of Thomas Isaacs.

Candles this month are given by Gail Hrobuchak in memory of Dorothea Goodling and Dorothy Hrobuchak.



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 board in the hallway.

Family of Thomas Isaacs

Donna Hanna

Jerry Hart

Connie Fortmeyer

Tom Harrison

Phil Garoutte

Kim

David Van Benschoten

lan Lambert

Bob DeVito

Mike Ritts

Patti Flynn

Marianne Ternig

Pray for the hurricane victims



LOL in the news: Our Blessing of the Animals service last Sunday was featured on ABC11 Eyewitness News at 11! If you missed it, here is a link to the broadcast; coverage starts at 15:10 minutes: https://abc11.com/15399483/

We rejoice in the baptism of Jamison Ellis Stone. Join the family for a coffee and cake reception after worshp in the Fellowship Hall.

The church office is closed Monday, October 14, in observation of Indigenous Peoples' Day.

All are invited to the "Luther and the Reformation" workshop next Saturday, October 19, from 10 am until 1 pm. We will be viewing the 2003 movie, "Luther" with Joseph Fiennes and will discuss the basics of Lutheran theology. Lunch is included so please sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office so we have an accurate count for lunch. Those who can are invited to stay afterwards and help us pack goodie bags for the Trick-r-Treat the Trails event on October 31.

We are still in need of candy! We need to prepare goodie bags for 2,000+ children! And the collection box in the narthex has plenty of room left for donations.





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