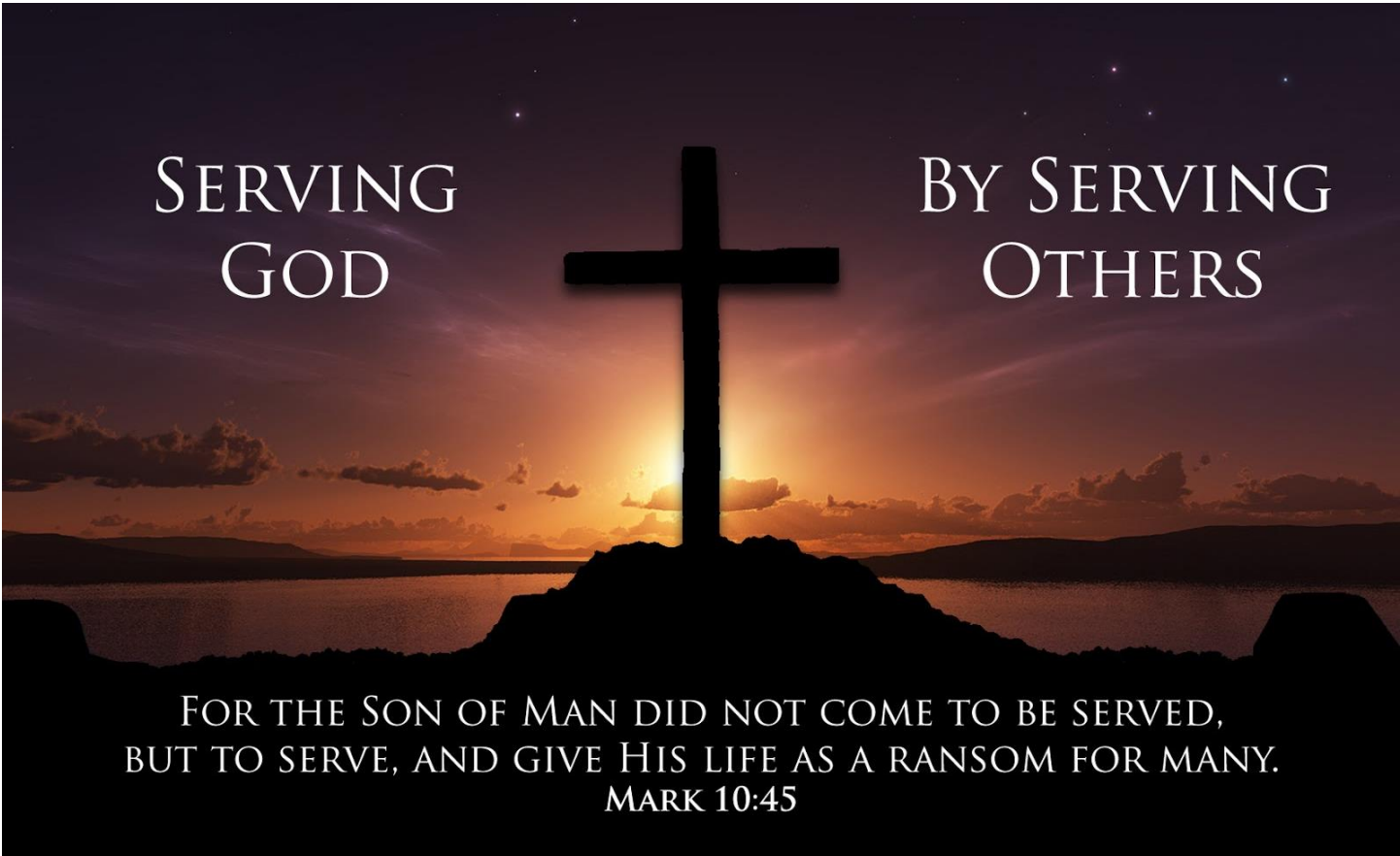


SERVING
GOD

BY SERVING
OTHERS



FOR THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED,
BUT TO SERVE, AND GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY.
MARK 10:45

22nd Sunday after Pentecost October 20, 2024

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Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

Welcome

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.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

All: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
Men

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

All: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

- A. Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. ⁹They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. ¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:9-16

Chanted Responsively



⁹Because you have made the [|] LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your [|] habitation,

¹⁰**no evil [|] will befall you,
nor shall affliction come [|] near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge [|] over you,
to guard you in [|] all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will [|] bear you up,
lest you strike your foot a- [|] gainst a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion [|] cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion [|] and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who [|] cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they [|] know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will ¹ answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and ¹ honor them.

¹⁶**With long life will I ¹ satisfy them,
and show them ¹ my salvation.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-106

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; ⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P. The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C. Glory to you, O God.

Mark 10:35-45

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."
³⁸But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

P. The gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Alecia Harrison

Sermon

"Not to be served, but to serve"

Pastor Wolfgang
and Meryem Teke



"All religions are paths to reach God. They are—to make a comparison—like different languages, different dialects, to get there. But God is God for everyone. If you start to fight saying 'my religion is more important than yours, mine is true and yours isn't', where will this lead us? There is only one God, and each of us has a language to arrive at God. Some are Sheik, Muslim, Hindu, Christians; they are different ways to God." – Pope Francis, 9-15-24

Hymn of the Day

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

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WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS TO THE CONGREGATION

P. Today, we welcome eight persons as new members of our congregation through Affirmation of Baptism. We welcome (please come forward as your name is called):

James and Hannah Bayless
Scott Maxwell
Ray and Donna Stone
Shane Chadek and Kori Gay, with Nate

P. Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these siblings, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

The Apostles' Creed

L. With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C. 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 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 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**

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

P. In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Response: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P. People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

C. We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

WELCOME

P. Let us welcome these new siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

C. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence

A. Holy One, we give thanks for all servant leaders of the church. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons (*local leaders may be named*) with humble wisdom and ground them in your love. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

- A.** Creative One, we give thanks for the delicate balance of the natural world. Kindle in us a spirit of caring strength in the preservation of habitats, food availability, and centers of refuge, that all wildlife may thrive. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.**
- A.** Empowering One, fill the leaders of governments with a spirit of service that prioritizes those on the margins due to job loss, underemployment, unsafe working conditions, and immigration status. May economic equity be achieved for all people. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.**
- A.** Restoring One, send your angels to watch over, rescue, and protect those who are injured or ill. Nurse those who suffer hardship, disease, injury, or difficulty with your comfort and peace (*especially*). God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.**
- A.** Abiding One, you call pastors to shepherd the congregation toward faithful living as servants and followers of Jesus. Inspire all ordained ministers and seminarians (*local clergy or seminarians may be named*) to ministry that challenges, engages, and comforts those in their care. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.**

Other Prayers

- A.** Saving One, we give thanks for the disciples James and John and all saints who have faithfully served you. We rejoice in a promised place at the feast of victory that we receive by your grace alone. 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.**

Temple Talk

Alecia Harrison

Anthems

The House of the Heart is Full of Light
Oh Lover of the Heart

Triangle Cardinals

Yusuf Zeybek		Soloist
Ugur Somuncuoglu		Soloist
Serif Dogru		Nay
Sakir Keskin	Darbuka	Drum
Murat Bakir		Qanun



Let the Vineyards...



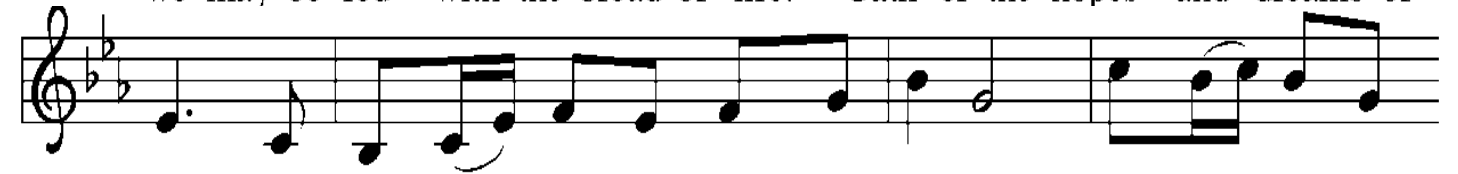
Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



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. 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.
- 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, 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:

*Lift Up
Your
Hearts*

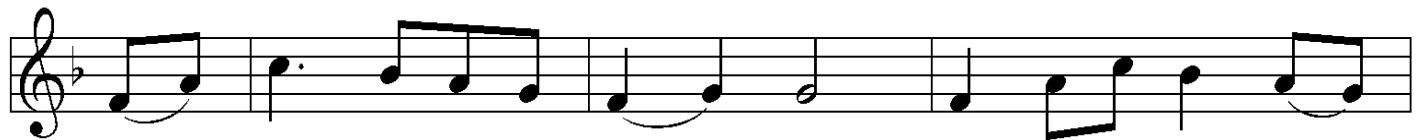
The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.



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.

The Lord's Prayer

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

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Hymns

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service
Precious Lord, Take My Hand

ELW 712
ELW 773

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 Canticle



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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.

C. Amen

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

All Are Welcome

~Marty Haugen

Gail Hrobuchak

Servers for Sunday, October 20th

- Assisting Minister/Reader Shannon Thomsen
- Reader Mary Cook
- 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

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Flowers this week are in given by Alecia Harrison in celebration of Tom's 75th Birthday.

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



- David Van Benschoten
- Ian Lambert
- Kim
- Bob DeVito
- Mike Ritts
- Patti Flynn
- Marianne Ternig
- Denny Garner

Pray for the hurricane victims



STAY IN THE LOOP

MEMBER NEWS

Reminder: Worship & Music Committee meets today at Noon!

Pastor Wolfgang will be out of town Oct. 21-24, attending the biannual gathering of former ELCA bishops in Phoenix, Arizona. He is available by email or phone, wolfgangherzlane@gmail.com, 919-810-3534.

Elections to the Congregation Council will be held at the annual meeting on January 26, 2025. There are three open seats, and the Council is soliciting potential candidates. If you are interested in serving on council for a three-year term, see Sharyl Eggert, nominations chair, 919-412-6827, sharyd@aol.com.

LOOKING AHEAD: Next Sunday, October 27, is Reformation Sunday. We will welcome our Bishop, Tim Smith, to LOL. He will be preaching, participating in two confirmations, and leading a Question & Answer session about the NC Synod during fellowship hour.

The annual Raleigh CROP Walk takes place on Oct. 27. The Walk will start from First Baptist Church Raleigh in the Salisbury Street Parking Lot (1776 Hillsborough Street); participants will walk either one or three miles (your choice) from First Baptist and back to the church. Registration starts at 2:30 pm, step-off is at 3 pm. Tom and Alecia Harrison will walk the one-mile course; they can meet you between 2:30 and 3 pm at First Baptist.

You Are Invited to the NC Women of the ELCA
2024 FALL CONFERENCE GATHERING
“WOW – Women of Wonder”



WHAT: 2024 Triangle Conference Fall Gathering where we will gather for food and fellowship, collect offerings, experience a thought-provoking Bible Study, and hold a Candlelight Service of Remembrance for the Christine Bohr-Anderson Seminary Scholarship. **BIBLE STUDY:** “WOW – Women of Wonder” Wonder is a Spiritual Emotion that invites us to be surprised by God’s mystery, to let God be big, to enjoy moments when God fills us and this world with beauty, even when the world around us looks anything but beautiful. Wonder leaves us feeling more connected rather than alone in this world. As Women of the Word and Women of Wonder, we’ll explore the stories of three New Testament Women of the Bible – Phoebe, Anna and Joanna – and discuss how their stories relate to our world today.

WHEN: Saturday, November 2, 2024

WHERE: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC 27607

COST: \$5.00 for continental breakfast (lunch not included), checks made payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, memo: WELCA Triangle Conference Fall Gathering

REGISTER: Kathy Pearson, c/o Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC 27607 (Questions about registration? Contact Kathy at klpearson573@gmail.com .

REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Wednesday, October 30, 2024

OFFERINGS: Regular Offering to **Feeding the Carolinas**

<https://feedingthecarolinas.org>

an organization dedicated to ending food insecurity in the Carolinas.

2024 Pennies Offering to **Sleep In Heavenly Peace**

<https://shpbeds.org> Their mission is simple – “No kid sleeps on the floor in our town!”



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