CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jordayn Dalby, (Aug. 12); Gunta Rottman, (Aug. 12); Jane Campbell, (Aug. 13); Derk Lyford, (Aug. 14); Jennifer Lyford, (Aug. 14); Mackail Davis, (Aug. 15); Bev Gossett, (Aug. 16), Trey Muhsman, (Aug. 16); Ralph Rohr, (Aug. 16); Shadow McKim, (Aug. 18) and Ashtyn Witte, (Aug. 18). Happy Birthday!

TODAY'S HYMNS were chosen by the Kidwells.

OUR NEW INTERN for 2012-2013 is Seth Nelson. He and his wife Jen are in our congregation today. We hope you'll make it a point to reach out and welcome them.

A CANNED FOOD SHOWER is taking place for the Nelsons through the month of August. There is a box in the Gruver Room. We hope you'll help out providing this gift.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING for teachers and all those connected with our Sunday School will be held after worship this morning downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please make every effort to be in attendance. Fall Sunday school begins with Rally Day September 9th.

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC will be held on Sunday, August 26th at LaPrele Park. There will be an outdoor worship service at 11:15 a.m. followed by the picnic at noon. Please bring a dish or two to share, and your own table service. Beverages will be provided.

THE WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP that meets on Wednesday mornings will not be meeting again until Wednesday, August 29th.

OUR ADULT CHANCEL CHOIR will have its first fall rehearsal Wednesday September 5th at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining this choir please contact Larry Hazlett at 742 4117 or email him: <u>Hazlett@uwyo.edu</u>

UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS

1. Monday, August 27 & Tuesday & August 28 Pastor Ralph and Intern Seth will be at a table in the Breezeway at the UW Union. Stop by and say "Hi"!

2. Tuesday, August 28th Singularity BBQ for Campus Christian groups from 5-7 p.m. on Prexy's Pasture. Each group will have an informational table, and food & pop are free.

3. Wednesday, August 29th we will have our first Wednesday Get-Away for the year from 6-8 p.m. in the Gruver Room. Food will be provided, as well as a chance to get acquainted. So we hope you'll stop by, and bring a friend.

<u>DONATIONS</u> for a pipe organ are being solicited. If you wish to make a donation please mark it clearly "Organ Fund" and place it in the offering plate on Sunday or bring it into the church office

INTERFAITH / GOOD SAMARITAN always sees a spike in needs during the summer months. Please bring your paper goods and non-perishable goods into the Gruver Room to help out.

THE LARAMIE SOUP KITCHEN is in need of gift cards to Safeway to purchase fresh ingredients so that they can provide a salad with each meal. They can also use "to go" containers to provide meals to those in need on the weekends. The Soup Kitchen is open Monday thru Friday, 8 to 2 p.m. and is located at 104 S. 4th Street. For more information, contact them at (307) 721-4723.

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: 12th Sunday After Pentecost: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58.

Serving the Church

Lector: TODAY (8/12)
9:00 a.m. Diane Fiedler
NEXT SUNDAY (8/19)
9:00 a.m. Mark Rehwaldt

Acolyte: 9:00 a.m. Mikayla Martinez 9:00 a.m. Connor Beeston

Ushers: 9:00 a.m. Les & Karen 9:00 a.m. Al & Bobbie Schimek

Greeters: 9:00 a.m. Shirley Heggie 9:00 a.m. Barb Rouse

Janet Talbott Georgia Mitchell

Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Roz Kidwell 9:00 a.m. Tracy Kidwell

Stewards: S. Boss / J. Weatherwax Altar Guild: Cheryl Wilson

Coffee Fellowship: Judi Weatherwax

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, August 12 9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School Meeting

Tuesday, August 14 9:00 a.m. Quilters



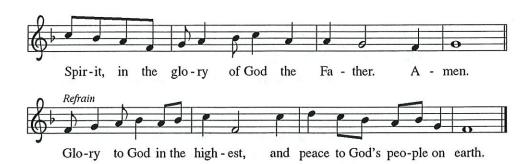
S THIS NOT JESUS THE SON OF JOSEPH? Jn.6:42

WE ARE HAPPY to have you with us today. We hope that our worship service has meaning for you and that you will come back and worship with us again soon. For those who wish, a nursery is provided during the worship service, just off the South Lobby, for children ages five and younger. Please join us for coffee in the south lobby area after the service today.

<u>PRAYER REQUEST CARDS</u> are found in the back of the pew in front of you. If you wish, please fill them out and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. <u>PEW PADS</u> are found at the inside end of each pew. Please fill them out, pass them down to the end, and then return them to the center.

<u>PLEASE RECYCLE THE BULLETINS</u>: You are encouraged to take home any part of the bulletin that you would like. **Please** recycle the pieces that you do not choose to keep by putting them at either end of the pews at the back of the church. Help us save some trees! Thanks.

Announcements continue on the inside



*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Let us pray.

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME:

"Look Inside"

Pastor Rohr

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God; and afterwards Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:1-8

'I will bless the LORD | at all times; the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

²I will glory in the LORD;

let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD; let us exalt God's | name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, who | answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD | and be radiant, and let not your faces | be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and ¹ the LORD heard me and saved me from ¹ all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD and de- | livers them.

*Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take ref- uge in God.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son:
and to the | Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now and e- | ver shall be:
world without end. | Amen.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



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

GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41-51

Glory to you, O Lord.

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

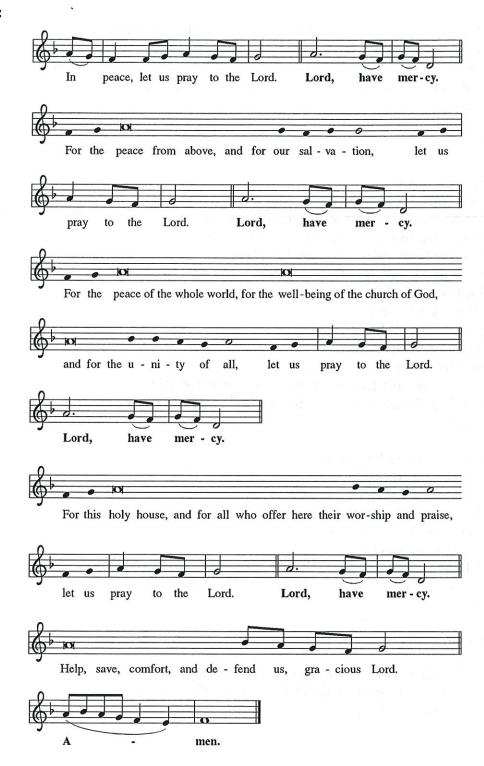
be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN: "O Bread of Life from Heaven" #480



*KYRIE:



SERMON: "Watch What You Say" E

Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Pastor Rohr

HYMN:

"O God beyond All Praising"

#880

*APOSTLE'S 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 to the dead.*

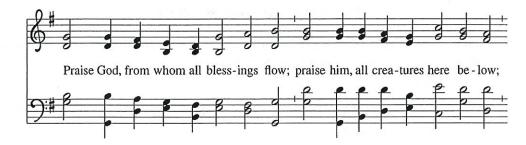
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

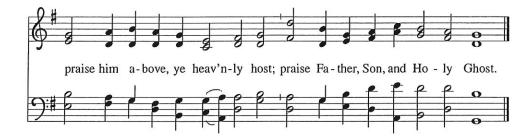
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING:

*OFFERTORY:

*CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY: "Praise God from whom ..."





*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

With reverence for the earth, those in need, and the whole human family, let us offer our prayers to God.

*A brief silence.

That you sustain the church on its pilgrimage from death to life. Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

That national and political leaders turn from bitterness, wrath, slander, and malice, and speak words of truth and justice. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That you nourish the earth with sun and rain, and that you feed creatures great and small with the harvest of the land. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That you deliver all in trouble, affliction, danger, or need. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That you form us into people who are tenderhearted and forgiving, imitating the sacrificial love of Christ. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

*Here other intercessions may be offered.

That we take our place with all the saints who ate the bread of life on earth and now share in your heavenly banquet. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Receive our hopes and prayers, O God of mercy, for great is your faithfulness in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

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. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Silence for reflection.)

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.
We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things we have done
and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you,
and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

Amen.

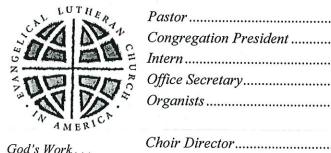
*GREETING:

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

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... Our Hands

Sunday, August 12, 2012 — 11th Sunday after Pentecost *Standing

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME:

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

#344

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER: (Sung By Congregation)

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hal-lowed be thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done, in earth, as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread; and for-give us our tre-spasses, 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, For-ev-er. Amen.

*BLESSING:

PARISH SHARING TIME:

*HYMN:

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

#504

*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES ... HYMN CHIME:

*POSTLUDE:

Is Not This Jesus?

Who in their right mind would choose to be a prophet? What a thankless job! We children of God are so fractious. We say we want to be taught, to be shown how to become closer to our Creator, but then we find fault with those who would guide us. We often say we'd believe in God if we could see miracles with our own eyes, but for those in Jesus' time, even that was not enough. Our preconceptions often color our vision.

Jesus offended many of his peers. "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know?" they scoffed. "How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" The particular humanity of Jesus blinded them to the divinity he sought to reflect. They didn't understand that he wasn't pointing at himself, but beyond himself. "No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me," he insists. "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God." The source of Jesus' authority was God, and he ceaselessly urged his listeners to be receptive to that greater teacher.

Every minister, every writer of devotions, every hymnist who inspires speaks

by means of the Holy Spirit. Our ego should never preach. Instead, ego should humble itself before the breath of God speaking through us. Jesus was God's chosen, not to draw attention to himself, as his detractors claimed, but to equip each of his listeners to carry the same gospel of love and grace.

Jesus repeatedly chose the metaphor of bread to convey his role, because bread nourishes. An egotist would never have chosen such a humble substance, ground, mixed, and baked by working hands. Jesus was trying to tell his listeners that God sent him to feed and strengthen. His people hoped for a mighty king; instead, they got living bread.

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 13, 2012

Florence Nightingale, died 1910; Clara Maass, died 1901; renewers of society Nightingale was born in England, and horrified her wealthy family by deciding to become a nurse. She led a group of nurses in ministering in the midst of the Crimean War, and worked for hospital reform. Maass, a native of New Jersey, was also a war nurse, and volunteered as a subject for research on yellow fever. She died of the disease.

Tuesday, August 14 - Maximilian Kolbe, died 1941; Kaj Munk, died 1944; martyrs

Father Kolbe was a Franciscan priest arrested by the Nazis and confined in Auschwitz.

Kolbe gave generously of his meager resources, and finally volunteered to be starved to death in place of another man. A Danish Lutheran pastor and playwright, Munk strongly denounced the Nazis who occupied Denmark in the Second World War. His sermons and articles helped to show the anti-Christian nature of the movement.

Wednesday, August 15 - Mary, Mother of Our Lord

The church (including Martin Luther) honored Mary with the title theotokos, meaning "God-bearer," for her role in giving birth to the Son of God. Her song, the Magnificat, speaks eloquently of God's lifting the lowly and feeding the hungry.

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Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,



as God in Christ has forgiven you