



LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost ✠

September 5, 2021

Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophenician woman in today's gospel. Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children? Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply? Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality.

Today is the last sermon in our summer sermon series, which closes with the visit of the Queen of Sheba to the court of King Solomon.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Sarabande from Suite in D Minor, HWV 437

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Welcome



Call to Worship

Psalm 72

*Please stand
as you are able.*

Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.

May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice.

May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.

May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.

May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service.

For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper.

He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy.

From oppression and violence he redeems their life;

and precious is their blood in his sight.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

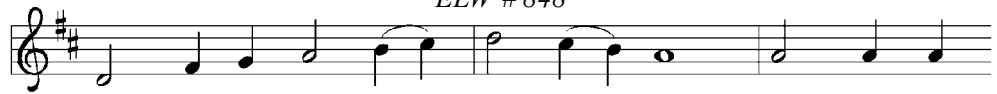
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

Gathering Hymn



Give to Our God Immortal Praise!

ELW # 848



1 Give to our God im - mor - tal praise! Mer - cy and
2 He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and
3 Give to the Lord of lords re - nown; the King of



truth are all his ways. Won - ders of grace to
dark - ness and the grave. Won - ders of grace to
kings with glo - ry crown. His mer - cies ev - er



God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.
shall en - dure when lords and kings are known no more!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

Apostolic 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

Gracious God, **throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.**

Children's Message
Please be seated.



Dismissal Song

✂ Word ✂

The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community. as God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.



Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

ELW # 857

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your
 prais - es. I'm so glad you're in my life,
 I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heav - en to earth
 to show the way, from the earth to the cross,
 my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave.
 from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

Reading

1 Kings 10: 1-13

1 When the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon (fame due to[a] the name of the Lord), she came to test him with hard questions. 2 She came to Jerusalem with a very great retinue, with camels bearing spices, and very much gold, and precious stones; and when she came to Solomon, she told him all that was on her mind. 3 Solomon answered all her questions; there was nothing hidden from the king that he could not explain to her. 4 When the queen of Sheba had observed all the wisdom of Solomon, the house that he had built, 5 the food of his table, the seating of his officials, and the attendance of his servants, their clothing, his valets, and his burnt offerings that he offered at the house of the Lord, there was no more spirit in her.

6 So she said to the king, "The report was true that I heard in my own land of your accomplishments and of your wisdom, 7 but I did not believe the reports until I came and my own eyes had seen it. Not even half had been told me; your wisdom and prosperity far surpass the report that I had heard. 8 Happy are your wives! Happy are these your servants, who continually attend you and hear your wisdom! 9 Blessed be the Lord your God, who has delighted in you and set you on the throne of Israel! Because the Lord loved Israel forever, he has made you king to execute justice and righteousness." 10 Then she gave the king one hundred twenty talents of gold, a great quantity of spices, and precious stones; never again did spices come in such quantity as that which the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon.

11 Moreover, the fleet of Hiram, which carried gold from Ophir, brought from Ophir a great quantity of almug wood and precious stones. 12 From the almug wood the king made supports for the house of the Lord, and for the king's house, lyres also and harps for the singers; no such almug wood has come or been seen to this day. 13 Meanwhile King Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba every desire that she expressed, as well as what he gave her out of Solomon's royal bounty. Then she returned to her own land, with her servants.

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse

*Please stand
as you are able.*

Thy Word

W&P 144



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Text: Psalm 119:105, Amy Grant, b. 1960

Music: THY WORD, Michael W. Smith, b. 1957

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Gospel

St. Mark 7:24-30

*In Mark's gospel,
encounters with
women usually signify
turning points in
Jesus' ministry. Here,
a conversation with a
Syrophoenician woman
marks the beginning
of his mission to the
Gentiles.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

24[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, 25but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. 26Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. 27He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." 28But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." 29Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." 30So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Sermon

Please be seated

Hymn of the Day

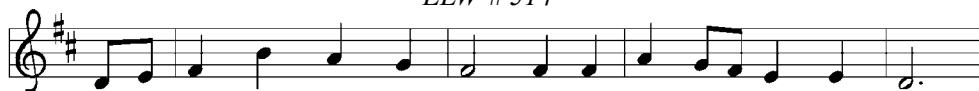
*Please stand as
you are able.*



Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

O Word of God Incarnate

ELW # 514



1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2 The church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine;
3 Oh, make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
oh, teach your wand - 'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

Prayers of the Church

P: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world,
and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: Holy One, you bring your people together in worship. Enliven your church.
Guide all... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

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

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week.

We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Anthem

Please be seated.

O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem

Psalm 122/ Moonyeen Albrecht

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

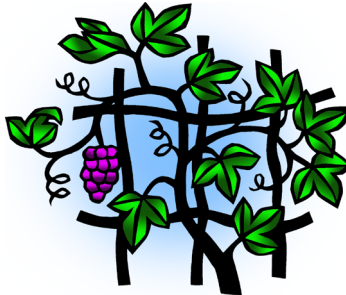
They shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls

and plenteousness be in thy palaces.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

They shall prosper that love thee.



Offertory

*Please stand
as you are able.*



Give Thanks

W & P #41

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Last time

Text: Henry Smith
Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

Offertory Prayer

A: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the World. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving



✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

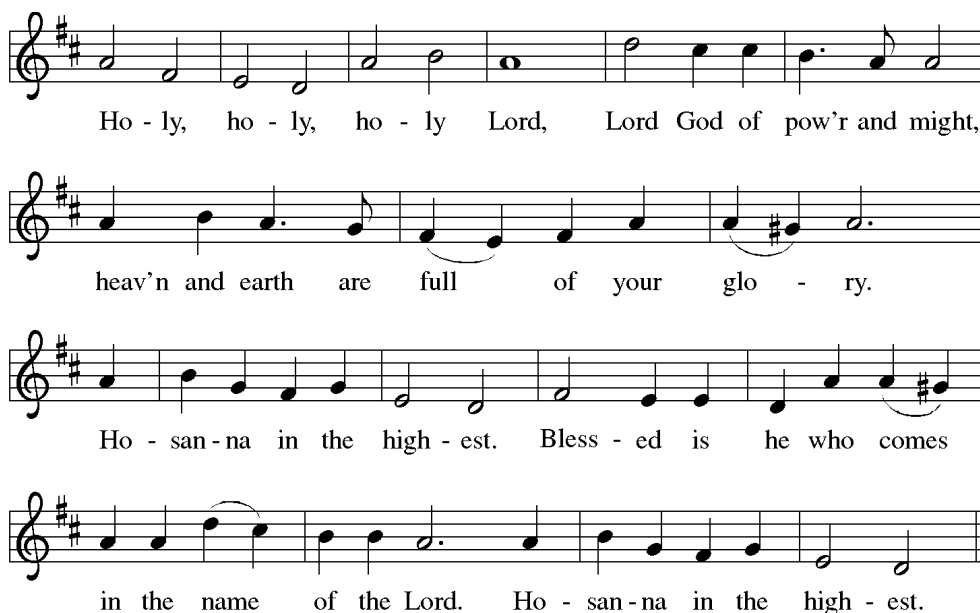
P: Lift up your hearts.

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 and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again... 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
The table is ready. All are welcome.



As The Deer Pants

W&P #9



Text: Martin J. Nystrom
Music: AS THE DEER, Martin J. Nystrom

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Distribution

Please be seated.

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is positioned in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you towards the front of the church for communion.

Distribution Music

Arise, My Love, and Come Away

Song of Solomon/ Don Michael Dicie

*Arise, my love, and come away,
for winter is past, winter is past.
The light of heaven shines in our hearts,
the rain is over and gone.*

*The flowers adorn the bright new earth,
new blossoms appear, new blossoms appear.
The songs of doves are heard in our land,
Their joyful music abounds.*

*The blossoms reach out, reach out to the sun,
Heaven and earth lift up their voice,
Arise! Arise!*

Arise, my love, my beautiful one,

*and come away, come away.
The light of heaven shines in our hearts,
The rain is over and gone.
Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Les Barricades Mystérieuses

François Couperin (1668-1733)

Post-Communion

Blessing

*Please stand
as you are able.*

Post-Communion

Prayer

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

C: Amen.

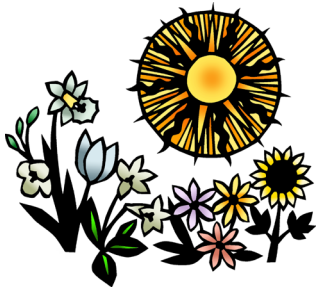
A: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

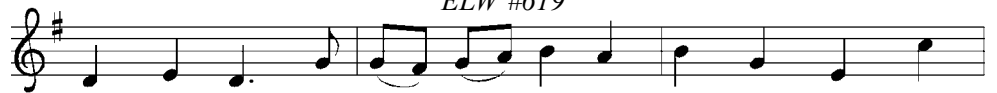
*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace, sent out to live the way of Jesus
for the sake of the world God loves.*

Sending Hymn



Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer

ELW #619



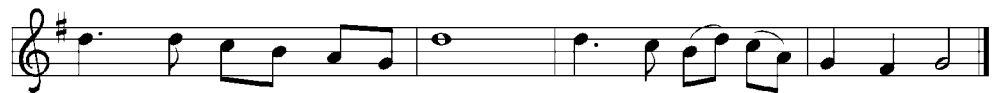
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Please be seated.



Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba, from Solomon, HWV 67

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.

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WELCOME

*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.*

*We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you
as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PastorRev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
Organist.....Dr. Kris Rizzotto
Soloist Debra Gilroy
Worship Assistant.....Debby Pizarro
Communion AssistantKathy Hering
ReaderJanna Haug
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Coffee Hosts..... Linda Nelson

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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Patio/Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	Labor Day
	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	9:15 AM	<i>Prayer Ministry</i>	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA</i>	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Spiritual Recovery</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study</i>	Library/Zoom
	12:00 AM	<i>Staff Meeting</i>	Christy Room/Zoom
	4:00 PM	<i>Confirmation</i>	Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon</i>	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	<i>PunschKlubben</i>	Christy Room
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11	9:30 AM	<i>Priscilla Circle</i>	Fellowship Hall
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12	9:30 AM	Rally Sunday Worship	
		with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube
		Sunday School	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Patio

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Colin Mason, friend of the Amann family; **Bill Schouviller**, friend of Phyllis Dahl; the family of **Jim Jodie**, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick & Suzanne Pepin; **David Beebe**, brother-in-law of Rick & Suzanne Pepin and John Fitch; the family of **Bruce Payne**, cousin of Michelle McCreery; **Beth Addington; Howard Thorsheim**, friend of John Bergford; **Graham Rawle**, friend of Michelle McCreery & Mark Duff; **Tom Friend**, brother-in-law of Kathy & Mark Hering.

2021 Bell Stained Glass Appeal

We have now received additional financial commitments which will exceed the amounts needed for the three new bells. As we mentioned at the beginning of the appeal in June, any additional funds received will be used for other projects important to the church. In consultation with existing donors, the Church Council has voted to use these new gifts as seed money for stabilizing and rehabilitating the stained glass in the sanctuary. This is a long-deferred and necessary project, and is on the Council's list of improvements needed for the upkeep and maintenance of the building leading up to the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone in 1925. Having the ability to begin this undertaking at this time is quite exceptional. You may continue to give to the [Bells-Stained Glass Appeal](#) through the next two months. We will celebrate all of these gifts on the Sunday when we finally bless the bells, and we will honor those who are to be remembered through these gifts in our **All Saints Sunday** worship service in **November**.

Learn more about the [French Family of Bell Makers](#).

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



Our Saviour's Housing Meals in 2021

For many years, Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church has provided a meal on the first Friday each month.

Due to changes at the shelter, we are providing \$230 - \$250 (a recent adjustment to the amount) to cover the meal each month.

Thank you to **Carol Kuehn, Vicki Kuehn-Larson, & Rebecca, Morell** for AUG 6.

David & Mary Goplen donated for SEPT 3.

Mark & Kathy Hering donated for OCT 1.

Mary Sabatke & family donated for NOV 4.

Cherie Moe donated for DEC 3.

Update: The shelter will transition to a different type of facility in the coming month and needs will change once more.

For information, contact [Cheri Moe](#) or (952) 431-5226.
oscs-mn.org

Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

~**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**~

Erin Wilcox 9/8 McKenna Gruys 9/8

Ryker Alden 9/11

Priscilla Circle

will meet on **Saturday, September 11** at **9:30 AM** on the Patio. The meeting has been pushed back due to Labor Day weekend.

Sunday Volunteers for Autumn

We are seeking 16 to 20 LOTI members or friends to join one or more of our volunteer lists for September through December 2021.

Our hope is to have large enough lists to schedule volunteers for one Sunday each. At this point we have received responses to fulfill approximately half of our needs.

Tasks are as follows:

- **Ushers** greet worshipers, provide bulletins, give direction as needed, as well as collect offerings and guide participants to Communion.
- **Readers** participate in leading worship by reading the Scripture Lesson from the Lectern.
- **Coffee Hour Hosts** prepare coffee and tea, as well as serve, using designated carafes. Instructions are posted for new volunteers. Please note that the church will provide small-bite snacks, so volunteers need only brew coffee and tea, serve on the Patio or in the Fellowship Hall, and clean used kitchen items.

[Sign up here](#)

Tech Support Needed

We are seeking individuals who would be interested in assisting Joseph LaMere in live streaming worship services at LOTI. Prior experience is not necessary. Training will be provided for both audio & video production.

Please contact [Pastor Haug](#) for more information.

Scan to Give



Sunday School Registration Time!

We will be opening registration for *Sunday School* this month. *Sunday School* will launch on **September 12** and is offered to children who are *age 3 by September 1 through 6th grade*. A link will be available on our website and sent to current families. If you are not on our mailing list and would like to register, please contact [Diane LaMere](#) at for registration information.

We hope to offer in person Sunday School however our final decision will be guided by the latest CDC guidelines and the MN Department of Health in the coming weeks. Materials will be provided to families who register and opt to remain virtual.

Sunday School Leaders Needed...

Can You Help?

We are currently recruiting vaccinated high school youth and adults to assist in leading a *Sunday School* classroom. We are hopeful that we can offer in person Sunday School starting **September 12**. If you love working with kids and would like to help, please contact [Diane LaMere](#). Training and fun will be provided!

Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the **Narthex** (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship. You are welcome to take home a copy of the *Spark Family* magazine, which has materials for both younger and older children.

Nursery Available in Christy Room

Welcome to our youngest friends in the congregation! We know that you sometimes need another space to be in during worship to get your wiggles and giggles out. Our **Nursery** is available for you and your parents to use during the service, if needed, and has a TV showing the livestream of the service. Ushers can help you with directions. Please bring any toys and/or books with you that your child might enjoy, as we are not yet able to restock our toys and books to keep it safe for all.

Please note: If you are unable to attend in-person Worship, remember that our Service is live-streamed each week & remains available for subsequent viewing on our [YouTube channel](#)

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God's Help, Our Hands

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Friday 9:00 to 12:00 PM