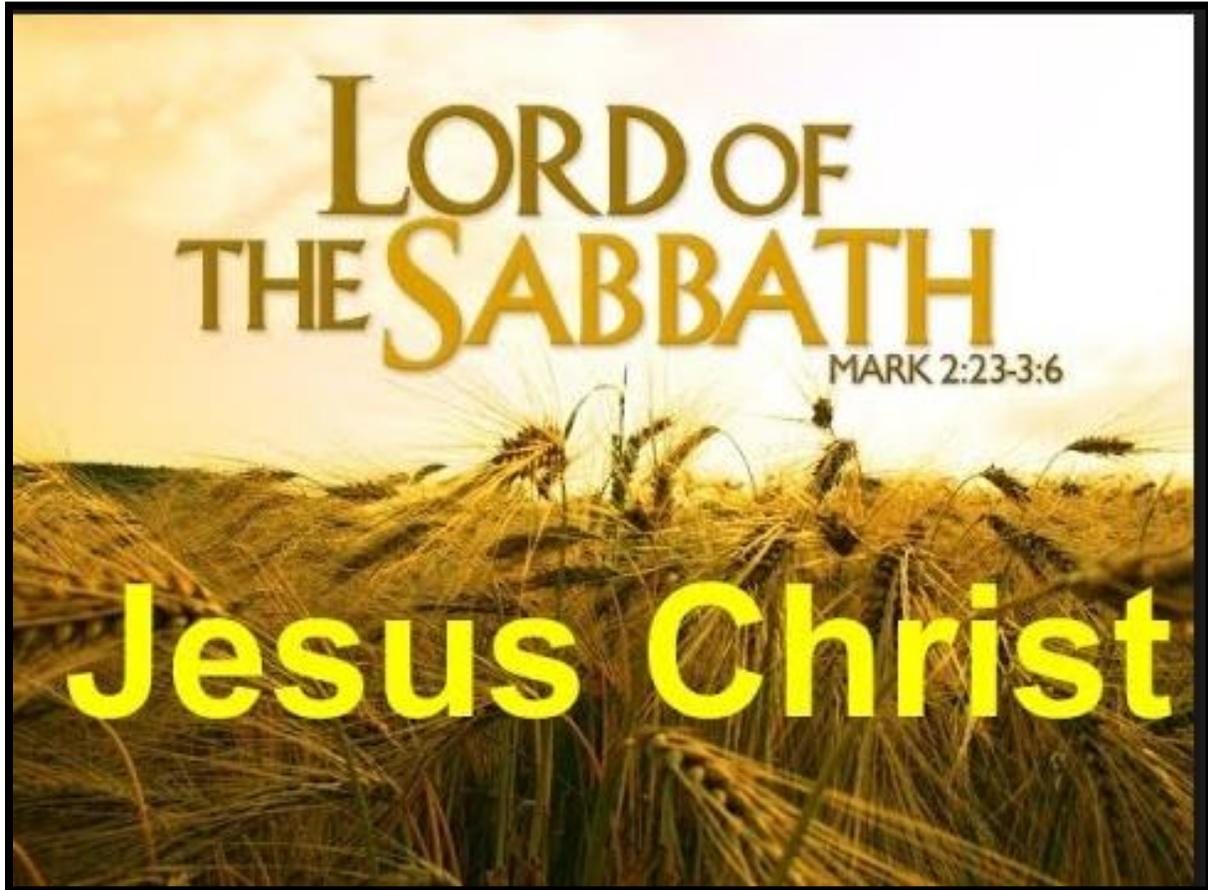


# Living Word Lutheran Church

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 3, 2018



The Rev. Eric Hullstrom

**Sunday Morning Worship Service at 9 am at the Meridian Habitat & Community Center**  
(Children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Study available during the school year)

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**Mission Statement:** "We, God's people of Living Word Lutheran Church, grounded in Holy Scripture, are called to follow and share the inspired Word of God in Christ, to live as faithful and obedient servants, reaching out to all people with the love of Jesus Christ."

**Motto:** "Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Word Alone."

Affiliated with LCMC (Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/June 3-9, 2018

This week's activities:

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> <b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b> <b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> <b>6:45 pm</b>	<b>LWLC Prayer for Guidance</b> meet at the LWLC Office <b>Adult Bible Study</b> at the LWLC Office
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:30 am</b> <b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Midweek Bible Study</b> at the LWLC Office <b>Choir Practice</b> at the LWLC Office
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Men's Ministry Breakfast</b> at Denny's Restaurant

**The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God by Reuben and Heidi Sturdivant  
in celebration of their 33<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary**

### Today's Worship Assistants

**Set up/Tear Down (Team 2)**- Al Auge, Ron Heilman, Gary Gjerstad, Joe Burdick, Jim Gronhovd, Daryl Olson, Ron Johnson, Duane Claiborne; **Ushers**-Tom & Denise Alvord; **Acolyte**-Viviana Vashchenko; **Lector**-Jim Gronhovd;  
**Communion Set-up/takedown**-Sharlene Parker, Lorraine Stargel; **Communion Assistants**-Sharlene Parker, Bill & Debbi Zavadil;  
**Comm. Bread**-Gayla Fenimore; **Tellers** -Linda Kupka, Judy Williams; **Coffee Hour**-Ardene Bartness, Barbara Gjerstad; **Altar Setup/Take Down**-Kitty Jepsen, Valerie Claiborne; **Sound System**-Andy Anderson; **Parking Lot Duty**-Duane Claiborne;  
**Julian Estates Worship Leader**-Tony & Linda Deas

### Next week's Scriptures:

Genesis 3:8-15	Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:5	Mark 3:20-35



### Summer Sunday School

It has come to our attention that our Sunday school children miss getting together around God's Word during the summer months. This year we will be meeting on June 10th, June 24th, July 22nd and August 19th with 4 topical lessons to keep in contact and to keep in the Word. We hope the children, their friends, and any grandchildren or neighbors will join us.

**Quote of the Day:** "Faith tells me that no matter what lies ahead of me, God is already there!"



The Living Word website has undergone a makeover! Though primarily designed to make it easier for visitors to learn about us, there are also some features planned that will make it more useful for members. An electronic giving page and a member resource center are being fine-tuned and are expected to launch soon. As you navigate through [www.livingwordlutheranchurch.com](http://www.livingwordlutheranchurch.com), we invite you to share your ideas for improvements. Ministry leaders are responsible for providing relevant and current content and Debbie Stankovich will update the website as information is submitted. Please send your content and/or suggestions to the church office at [lwlcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:lwlcoffice@gmail.com)

LWLC's Annual Congregational Meeting will immediately follow the worship service  
Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

Please plan to attend as a **quorum is necessary** to elect the new Board Members.

***Please silence all electronic devices, including cell phones, upon entering the sanctuary.***

**Living Word Lutheran Church**  
*Order for Worship*

**When you hear the bell, please be seated for the announcements.**

**Announcements**

Please sign the attendance register and pass it down the row.

***Our worship begins with the prelude as we enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!  
Let us give thanks to him and bless his holy name!***

**Prelude**

**"Reverie"** by Debussy

performed by Katrina Cordi (violin) and accompanied by Mary Kaye Owen.

**Opening Hymn**

**"Here in This Place"**

**WOV #718**

***We Worship with Confession***

**Pastor:** Remembering the covenant God has established with us through our baptism into Christ Jesus, we gather as we are to live, in the name of the Father, and of the (✠) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: 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 more fully love You and more worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our LORD. **Congregation: Amen.**

**P:** (invites worshippers to confess their sins): The First letter of John (1:8) reminds us that, if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for personal reflection and self-examination*

**P:** (facing altar which symbolizes God's presence): *Most Merciful God...*

**C: we confess that we are in bondage 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:** (facing the congregation, declares God's forgiveness): In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for Jesus' sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by Jesus' authority I declare to you, *being penitent*, the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the (✠) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*We are called to make disciples of all nations; we begin by sharing the peace of God with one another.*

**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.**

**Cantors:** *In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**Cantors:** *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.*

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**Cantors:** *For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**Cantors:** *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

**C: Amen.**

***This Is the Feast of Victory for Our God!***

Cantors: *This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia!*

1. ***Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing, and glory are His.***

Refrain: ***This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia!***

2. Women: ***Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:***  
Men: ***Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.***

3. ***This is the feast of victory for our God. For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. Alleluia!***

P: *The LORD be with you.*

C: ***And also with you.***

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (All pray):

**O God our ruler and shepherd, You anointed Jesus as the king and servant of Your people. Make us attentive to Your word, that we may accept Your reign over us and worship you alone. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**

***We Worship by Reading God's Word***

**The reading is from the Book of Deuteronomy, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.** (ESV)

<sup>12</sup>“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>14</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as

well as you. <sup>15</sup>You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore, the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

(Here ends this reading.)

**LWLC Choir**

**“Revelation Song”**

accompanied by Katrini Cordi (cello)

by Jennie Lee Riddle, arr. David Angerman

**This reading is from the Book of Psalms, Psalm 81** (ESV)

(to be read responsively)

Reader: Sing aloud to God our strength;

**Congregation: shout for joy to the God of Jacob!**

R: <sup>2</sup>Raise a song; sound the tambourine,

**C: the sweet lyre with the harp.**

R: <sup>3</sup>Blow the trumpet at the new moon,

**C: at the full moon, on our feast day.**

R: <sup>4</sup>For it is a statute for Israel,

**C: a rule of the God of Jacob.**

R: <sup>5</sup>He made it a decree in Joseph when he went out over the land of Egypt.

**C: I hear a language I had not known:**

R: <sup>6</sup>“I relieved your shoulder of the burden;  
**C: your hands were freed from the basket.**

R: <sup>7</sup> In distress you called, and I delivered you;  
**C: I answered you in the secret place of thunder;  
 I tested you at the waters of Meribah.**

R: <sup>8</sup> Hear, O my people, while I admonish you!  
**C: O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

R: <sup>9</sup> There shall be no strange god among you;  
**C: you shall not bow down to a foreign god.**

R: <sup>10</sup> I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.  
**C: Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

**This reading is from Paul’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Letter to the Corinthians, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter (ESV)**

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup> And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup> In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup> For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone

in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. <sup>8</sup> We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. <sup>11</sup> For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup> So death is at work in us, but life in you.

(Here ends this reading.)

The congregation stands and sings: (LBW p.83)

***Alleluia. LORD to whom shall we go?  
 You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!*** (John 6:68)

**The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> chapters.** (ESV) **C: Glory to You, O LORD.**

<sup>23</sup> One Sabbath he was going through the grain fields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup> And the Pharisees were saying to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” <sup>25</sup> And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: <sup>26</sup> how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?” <sup>27</sup> And he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. <sup>28</sup> So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.”

<sup>3</sup> Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. <sup>2</sup> And they watched Jesus, to see

whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup> And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” <sup>4</sup> And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. <sup>5</sup> And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup> The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

(The Gospel of the LORD.)

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

***We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Apostles' Creed***

**I BELIEVE** in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

**I BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our LORD. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn of the Day***

***“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”***

**WOV #716**

**Sermon**

**Eric D. Hullstrom, Pastor**

***We Worship In Thanksgiving By Offering Our Gifts***

**Offertory**

**“Psalm XIX”** by Marcello

Performed by Katrina Cordi and accompanied by Mary Kaye Owen

The offering is received.

*As the congregation stands, the ushers bring the offering forward:*

***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with Your free Spirit.***

Let us pray together the offering prayer:

**Blessed are You, O LORD our God, King of the universe. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to Your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that You have made for the sake of Him who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the Church**

(Each petition concludes with “LORD, in your mercy”, to which the congregation responds: “hear our prayer”.)

***We Worship by Receiving Our LORD in His Holy Meal***

***The Great Thanksgiving*** (Spoken):

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 Him thanks and praise.*

P: *It is indeed right and salutary . . .* (Here the minister continues with the preface :)

**C:** *Holy, holy, holy LORD, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD. Hosanna in the highest.*

**The Words of Institution and 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. Amen.**

**Holy Communion:** Lutherans believe the LORD's Supper is a holy sacrament in which Christ comes to us with His grace, love, compassion, and forgiveness. The crucified and risen Christ is present in, with, and under the bread and wine – He promises: "This is my body... This is my blood". Therefore, the Apostle Paul says we should examine ourselves lest we eat or drink in an unworthy manner (1 Cor. 11:27ff.). Martin Luther wrote, "Anyone who does not believe these words ('this is My body given for you this is My blood shed for you.'), is neither prepared nor worthy; for the words, 'FOR YOU' requires simply a believing heart." Therefore, all (including children who have received instruction) who believe in Jesus Christ as Savior and LORD and who see His presence in the sacrament are welcome to commune with us.

As you come forward for communion, you are invited to dip your fingers in the water of the baptismal font and then make the sign of the cross on your forehead as a reminder of Christ's claim upon you through your baptism.  
(For those with gluten allergies, we now have gluten-free wafers available for Communion on the Baptismal Font.)

The congregation sings:           **"Lamb of God"**  
   ***Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.***  
   ***Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.***  
   ***Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.***

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**Communion Hymns:**

<b>"Softly and Tenderly"</b>	<b>WOV #734</b>
<b>"I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"</b>	<b>WOV #770</b>
<b>"Be Thou My Vision"</b>	<b>WOV #776</b>

**Post-Communion Prayer and Canticle**

***Thank the LORD and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.***  
***Let everyone who seeks the LORD rejoice and proudly bear His name.***  
***He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy***  
***With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

The Benediction (Pastor)

The congregation sings 3-fold **"Amen"**

***On Our Way Rejoicing!***

<b>Closing Hymn:</b>	<b>"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"</b>	<b>WOV #721</b>
<b>LWLC Choir</b>	<b>"Nunc Dimittus"</b>	<i>by Peter S. Klemp</i>

***We Worship By How We Live During the Week***

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!                    **C: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**                    Musician: Mary Kay Owen                    Choir Director: Dan Owen

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***Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!***

*If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Book. We encourage you to pick up a 'Welcome' packet at the Ushers table to introduce you to our church. Coffee hour will follow the worship service. Please join us.*

**NEXT WEEK's (June 10) Worship Assistants**

**Set up/Tear Down (Team 1)**- Bill Zavadil, Andy Anderson, Skip Whelan, Dennis Krumwiede, Rick Fields, Larry Vollmer, Alex Burdick, Gary Heintz; **Ushers** - Ron Johnson, Sharlene Parker; **Acolyte**-Hannah Vashchenko; **Lector**-Barbara Griswold; **Communion Setup/Cleanup**-Nancy Martin, Yvonne Olson; **Communion Assistants**- Bob & Nancy Martin, Skip Whelan; **Communion Bread**-Gayla Fenimore; **Sound System**-Bill Zavadil; **Tellers**- Bob Martin, Al Auge; **Altar Setup/Take Down**-Carol Brennan, Valerie Claiborne; **Coffee Hour**-Sharon Johnson, Ruth Anderson; **Flowers**-Tony & Linda Deas; **Children's Time**-Lydia Auge; **Parking Lot**-Dave Ostendorf; **Julian Estates Worship Leaders**-Ron & Sharon Johnson

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. *2Chronicles 7:14*

**Prayers for those who are serving our country (military, firefighters & police) and their families and keep them safe:** Josh Jepsen, Chase, Seth Heard, Powell, Evan Gregory Blodgett, Ken Solbrack, Michael Elliott, Chris Berentson, Cole Lufkin (Gjerstad's grandson), Brady Woodman (Relma Burmeister's grandson), Devlin Durkin, Damien Benigno (Lydia Auge's brother); Curtis & Riley McKenzie, Brandon Bules (Carole Williams cousin), Jacob Ramsey (Fenimore's grandson), pray for safety and draw close to God. *Our prayers for all those in harm's way are urgently needed during this time of turmoil and strife in this country.*



**Prayers for those who have recently lost a loved one.** Prayers for the **Jack Larson Family** (Carole Williams-Wood's cousin) who recently passed away. Prayers for **Grandson's family** (Dennis & Judy Krumwiede) as they mourn the loss of his half-sister. The **Mahoney Family** (Sue Gronhovd) on the passing of their daughter Ella. Prayers for the **family of Carole Williams-Wood** on the passing of her brother.

**Prayers for those with cancer or long-term illness.** *Dixie* (Sharlene Parker's sister). *Judy Ostendorf*. *Don Minnick* (Harold & Clarice Liemohn). *Hank Anderson* (friend of Kaye Sims). *Bob Lungberg* (Bob & Nancy Martin), *Aunt Glenda* (Lorraine Stargel), *Cousin Sandy* (Lorraine Stargel). *Snookie Pankrantz*. *Elaine Kroger* (Bob & Nancy Martin). *Taressa* (Dennis & Judy Krumwiede's daughter-in-law). *John Paul Webber* (Heidi Sturdivant). *Elaina* (Ron & Gaye Anderson). **Tony Horne** (Bob Martin & Hal Martin) who has been diagnosed with cancer. **Robert Hawthorne** (Jim & Mei Barker) suffering from advanced prostate cancer, pray for his comfort at this difficult time. Sister-in-law **Wanee** (Sharlene Parker) starting her chemo, may her treatments go smoothly and she have no side effects. May God's peace be with her and her family. **Mary Anne Horiskey** (Bonnie DeBord), prayers for her eternal soul & for a peaceful passing as she is in the last days of hospice care.

**Prayers for healing and strength for those with health concerns and those facing or recovering from surgery.**

**Janet** (Carole Williams-Wood friend), pray for doctor's discernment and good results from tests concerning her back pain. **Gerri** (Carole Williams-Wood friend), pray for strength and quick recovery from surgery. Prayers for **Linda Johnson** (Debbi Zavadil) recovering from pancreatitis. Prayers for friend **Terry** (Cynthia Faul) for healing and recovery after surgery. **Betty Larson** (Carole Williams-Wood's Aunt) prayers for speedy recovery after hip surgery. Prayers for quick recovery and healing for **Gaye Anderson** after hip replacement surgery. Pray for comfort and healing for **Carole Williams-Wood** who is suffering from a terrible reaction to food and also a broken toe. Friend **Roger** (Dave Ostendorf) who has back pain and heart problems, pray for strength and peace. Pray for healing for cousin **Megan Hitt** (Sarah DeBord) admitted to a Mental Health facility. **Jeff** (Don & Carol Brennan's son), pray for recovery and strength after surgery. **Bob Ostrom** (Steves' daughter-in-law's father) prayers for wisdom for caregivers to restore him to full mobility after stroke. **Kay Dightman** (relative of Phil & Virginia Steves) who has shingles, pray for recovery back to full health and to be pain free. **Bob Martin** prayers for quick recovery and strength from pneumonia. Praise to God for **sister Dixie's** (Sharlene Parker) successful surgical procedure, prayers for quick healing. **Luda Vashchenko** (Barbara & Dwight Griswold) having surgery last Thursday, pray for comfort, peace and a speedy recovery. **Jothi Holmes** (Barbara & Dwight Griswold) has shingles again, pray for relief from pain and discomfort. Pray for **Jim Held** for quick recovery and freedom of pain from shingles.

**Prayers for faith, strength and guidance.** God's continued guidance and blessings in our search for a new church home. God's guidance and peace between nations of the earth especially between the U.S. and North Korea. God's love to overcome hate and fear in hearts around the world.



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