Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10

9th Weekend of Pentecost





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Worship Services: Saturdays at 5:00pm • Sundays at 9:45am

Parish Education: Sunday School - Grades Pre-K to 6th - 8:30am • Adult Forum - 8:30am Confirmation - Grades 7 & 8 - Wednesdays 6:30pm

Church Office Hours: Tues-Thurs 9am-2pm • Fri 9am-12pm



SUNday 9:00am Worship

9:45am Church Council Meeting

Saturday 5:00pm Worship

9:45am Council meets with Pastor Jen Beamsley

4:00pm Fill LWR School Bags

SIGNUP

9:00am Worship



Sunday

Community Feast at United Church of Sandwich Tuesday, August 26th 4:30-6:00pm

St. John's is responsible for donating the following:

4 vegetable casseroles

4 potato casseroles

4 meal casseroles

Sign up in the Welcome Center



Cole's Camp Friday, August 29th 7-9pm Leave church at 5:45pm

Sign up in the Welcome Center

Come join in on the fun of filling LWR School Bags! Sunday, August 17th at 4:00pm

	Offering 8/2 & 8/3	Received	Received YTD
	General Fund	3,440.00	\$127,851.09
	Capital Fund	\$332.50	\$10,340.37
	Cusco Lutheran Churches	\$67.60	\$952.94
	LWR-school bag supplies	\$890.22	\$890.22





	= Dates to Remember		
Month	Oate	Occasion	
AUGUST	26	COMMUNITY FEAST @ UCOS	
AUGUST 29		FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN	
SEPTEMBER	7	WORSHIP @ SANDWICH FAIR	
SEPTEMBER	14	RALLY DAY	

Prelude Welcome & Announcements

Please stand as you are able.

- P: Our worship begins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- **P**: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- **P**: Merciful God,
- You free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.
- P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of

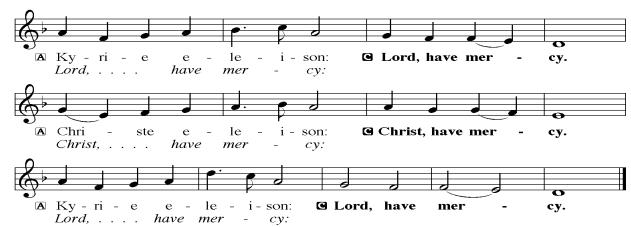
 Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- G: Amen.

Gathering Hymn 774 What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Greeting

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

Kyrie



Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God,

you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

- A: Our **First Reading** for this 9th weekend of Pentecost comes from the Book of Genesis Chapter 15 verses 1-6
- A: Word of God, Word of Life.
- **G**: Thanks be to God.
- A: Our **Psalm** today is Psalm Chapter 33 verses 12-22

¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³The Lord looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.

¹⁴God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds. R

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

19 to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.

²⁰Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord, our helper and our shield.

²¹Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.

- Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.
- A: The **Second Reading** comes from Hebrews Chapter 11 selected verses

 **Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to St. Luke the 12th Chapter

G: Glory to you O Lord. Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

P: The Gospel of our Lord.G: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day W&P 26 Canticle of the Turning

Apostle's Creed

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

G: 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.

Prayers of Intercession

P: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

A: ...God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

- P: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

The Peace

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

C: And also with you.

P: Let us offer to each other the sign of peace.

The congregation may shake one another's hand. If you do not wish to shake hands, please hold your hands in a prayer position and bow to the other person.

Offering

Please stand as you are able.

Offering Prayer

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

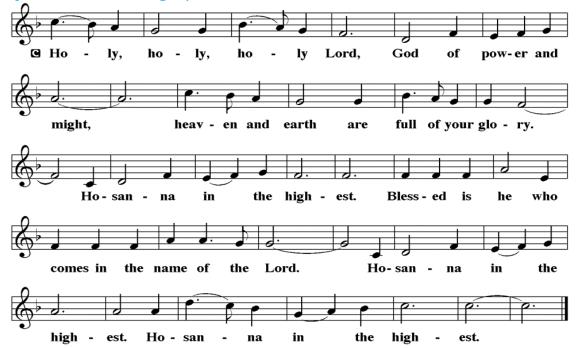
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

G: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:



Eucharistic Prayer

P: Gathered at and around the Lord's table, we remember with thanksgiving that "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

P: Let us pray together the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Holy Communion is served.

Communion Hymns ELW 638 Blessed Assurance W&P 78 Jesus Remember Me

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

A: Good & gracious God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit

→ bless you and give you peace.

G: Amen.

Sending Hymn ELW 801 Change My Heart, O God

Pastor & Assisting Minister process to back of sanctuary during Sending Hymn.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

G: Thanks be to God.

