OUR REDEEMER

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Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament. For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.





WELCOME! We invite all visitors to sign the guest register in the narthex and worship with us again. If you are not a first time visitor and are not communing, please complete the card located with communion cards in front of the pews. If you have questions about how to join our church or study the Scriptures with us, please speak with one of our Elders or the Pastor.

Each Saturday evening from 6-8PM Pastor Rappe avails himself for private confession and absolution, that which the historical Lutheran Church refers to as the third Sacrament. This is made available to those whose consciences are burdened and whose hearts are troubled. No one is forced to make private confession, as no one is forced to Baptism or the Holy Supper. Rather, this is the means of God's gospel to those who seek Him and the forgiveness of sins in Jesus.



OLD TESTAMENT

Is it not yet a very little while
Till Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
And the fruitful field be esteemed as a forest?
In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book,
And the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness.
The humble also shall increase their joy in the LORD,
And the poor among men shall rejoice
In the Holy One of Israel.
For the terrible one is brought to nothing,
The scornful one is consumed,
And all who watch for iniquity are cut off—
Who make a man an offender by a word,
And lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate,

Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob:

"Jacob shall not now be ashamed,
Nor shall his face now grow pale;
But when he sees his children,
The work of My hands, in his midst,
They will hallow My name,
And hallow the Holy One of Jacob,
And fear the God of Israel.
These also who erred in spirit will come to understanding,
And those who complained will learn doctrine."

And turn aside the just by empty words.

EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 3:1-11

ISAIAH 29:17-24

Do we begin again to commend ourselves? Or do we need, as some others, epistles of commendation to you or letters of commendation from you? You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart.

And we have such trust through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

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 But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory.

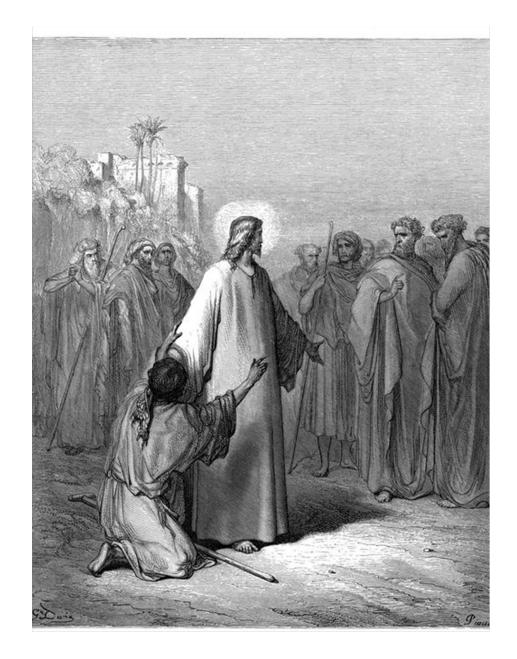
For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.



HOLY GOSPEL MARK 7:31-37

Again, departing from the region of Tyre and Sidon, He came through the midst of the region of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. Then they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened."

Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly. Then He commanded them that they should tell no one; but the more He commanded them, the more widely they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."



Worship Bulletin For August 22, 2021 Trinity XII

WEEKLY EVENTS

Today (22 August) 10:30AM Divine Service 11:45Am Confirmation Meeting

11:45AM Coffee Hour

Tues.

(24 August) 10:00AM Matins & Bible Study

Sat. (28 August) 10:00AM Loci/Charlotte

6-8PM Office of the Keys/Confession

Sun. (29 August) 9:00AM Adult Bible Study 10:30AM Divine Service 11:45AM Pot:uck

Serving Today

Altar Guild: Janet Dver Acolvte: Lauren Boileau

Serving Next Sunday

Altar Guild: Terri & Mike Rehmert Acolyte: **Gavin Williams**

While the psalmist urges us to "make a joyful noise to the Lord", he did NOT mean cell phone ringtones, children's noisy toys or other modern electronic marvels. Rather, these should be SILENT while we lift our voices and hearts in worship through song and prayer to our Lord. Please see that all cell phones, toys and anything else that might disrupt our worship are turned off.

PLEASE COMPLETE A COMMUNION CARD. Fill in the names of only those who are

communing and hand it to the usher. as you proceed to the altar.

.Nursery Room is available for children under 5 years of age who are having difficulty the service. There is also a rocking chair in the room. The room also has speakers in it to hear the service.

FROM THE BOARD OF FINANCE

Attendance August 1588	
General Fund Income\$5139.00)
Building Fund \$100.0	0
Nursery Flooring\$25.00	0
General Fund weekly difference from	
Budget \$853.83	
The annual budget adopted by the Voters'	
assembly requires weekly giving of	
\$4285.17 to sustain it.	
Thank you for your Contributions	

DAILY LECTIONARY

22 Aug.- Psalm 77 & Job 1-3 23 Aug. - Psalm 78 & Job 4-6 24 Aug. - Psalm 79 & Job 7-9 25 Aug. - Psalm 80 & Job 10-12 26 Aug. - Psalm 81 & Job 13-15 27 Aug - Psalm 82 & Job 16-18 28 Aug - Psalm 83 & Job 19-21



ALTAR FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by members of ORLC.



Birthdays This Week Jean Eaker 8/15

Kim Fourtunia 8/24

If we have missed anyone's birthday or anniversary, please let us know.



Pastor Would Like To Meet Today right after worship service with the parents of any young person starting with the 6th grade that will be taking Confirmation .

We Are Looking for Sunday School Teachers to teach this fall. We would like to have a rotating schedule. We also need someone to teach the toddler class(18 moss. to 2 yrs. old).. It could be two people taking turns Please let Darline Rappe know if you are interested. Thank you for volunteering.

All Ladies Of The Church are invited to a party around the pool at Lisa Smith's house Saturday, September 111th from 4PM to 7PM. Please bring a dish to share. Swimming, talking and eating are on the agenda. Her Address is: 5306 Sierra Ct, Fayetteville, NC. See you there.



We Are In the Process Of Updating Our Church Directory:

There are several draft copies on te table in the narthex. Please take a look and note any changes related to your families information. If you do not see your family information, please add it. We will make the changes to our master copy and have updated copies available for everyone soon. Thank vou.



Is Next Sunday, August 29th right after worship service. Plan on staying for some good food. Please bring a dish to

The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist-August 29

In contrast to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (observed on June 24), this festival commemorates his beheading by the tetrarch, Herod Antipas. From the perspective of the world, it was an ignominious end to John the Baptist's life. Yet it was in fact a noble participation in the cross of Christ, which was John's greatest glory of all. Christ Himself said that there had arisen none greater than John the Baptist. He was the last of the Old Testament prophets and also the herald of the New Testament. As the forerunner of Christ, John fulfilled the prophecy that the great prophet Elijah would return before the great and terrible day of the Lord. By his preaching and Baptism of repentance, John turned "the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers." And in the footsteps of the prophets who had gone before him—in anticipation of the Christ whose way he prepared—this servant of the Lord manifested the cross by the witness of his death.

St. Matthew14: ³For Herod had seized John and bound him and put him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, ⁴because John had been saying to him, "It is not lawful for you to have her."

John taught the sanctity of marriage to the powers that be. This is what cost John his life and his life is a martyria, a witness, to the Word in and out of season. The 6th Commandment: **You shall not commit adultery**. From The Small Catechism by Dr. Martin Luther: **What does this mean?**—Answer.

We should fear and love God that we may lead a chaste and decent life in words and deeds, and each love and honor his spouse.



St, Bartholomew, Apostle August 24th: Bartholomew is included in the lists of apostles in all but John's gospel (where the name Nathaniel replaces Bartholomew). Beyond this nothing is known of his life. His day has been on Western calendars since the eighth century. Tradition says he was flayed — skinned alive — and so he is symbolically shown holding a knife.