

**BIBLE STUDY SERIES:** Please join us at 9:15 AM today, Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> in the Church Fellowship Center for our Bible Study called: **Nurturing Your Faith: Identity - Part Two: Ambassadors of Reconciliation** As redeemed children of God through faith in Christ, we are called to love and reconciliation in our relationships. In *Nurturing Your Faith: Ambassadors of Reconciliation*, we see Jesus demonstrating the attitude we should have toward one another. In His life and in His death and resurrection, His example directs us to sacrificially love others, embracing them in peace and seeking their eternal wellbeing.

Increasingly, the world is becoming more contentious and divisive. Even in the church, we often let our differences harden into walls and divisions. This is not who God has called us to be. Instead, as Christ-centered reconcilers, we should be tearing down barriers, bridging unnecessary prejudices and biases in our thinking.

On our own, however, we are ill-equipped (and often not much interested) in doing this. Yet, God can empower us both to will and to do this very thing. By the Holy Spirit at work within us, we can be God's ambassadors of reconciliation, working toward peace with one another, as we bring our differences to the foot of the cross.

### Measure of Our Stewardship

Budgetary Needs = Total budget divided by 52. The General Fund Receipts include Friday through Thursday receipts. These amounts are not reconciled to any bank statement at the time of this publication.

**GENERAL FUND INCOME 08/18/23 – 08/24/23**

Tuition Income: \$ 65,631  
 G/F Envelope Income \$ 22,950  
 Weekly Budgetary Needs \$ 25,052  
**\$ 63,529**

**Attendance 08/20/23**

Sunday Worship Total: 186  
 Communed: 98  
 Visitors: 1  
 Adult Bible Study: 25

*Give, and it will be given to you. Luke 6:38*

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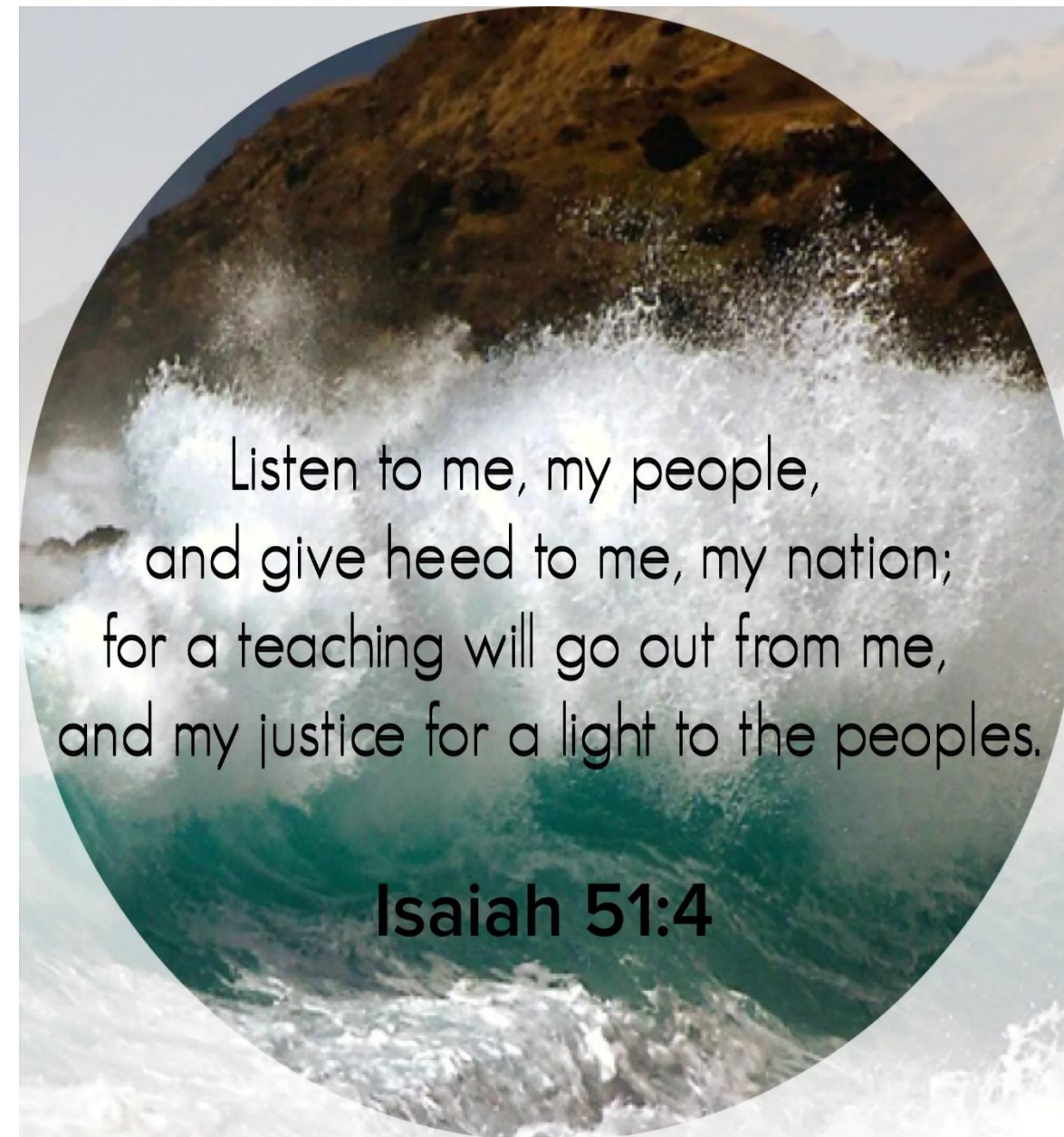
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Listen to me, my people,  
 and give heed to me, my nation;  
 for a teaching will go out from me,  
 and my justice for a light to the peoples.

**Isaiah 51:4**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

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"Sharing Christ, Changing Lives"

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023 – THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**AS WE GATHER**

The counsels of God are permanent-impeccable exhortations from His mind, His will, His heart and His actions in Christ. Everything that proceeds from God's wisdom is congruent. Barren wombs are filled with offspring. Desolate wastelands are restored. God's word resurrects what once was decimated. These astonishing interventions transform our lives so that we may unconditionally invest our sanctified bodies, minds and gifts all to the glory of God!

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**Divine Service:** Setting 4, Page 203

**ORGANIST:** Robin Kruse

**HYMNS**

8:00 AM #912, 645, 738, 644

10:30 AM #912, 645, 738, [ 866, 798,643 ] 644

**BIBLE READINGS**

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 51:1-6

Epistle Lesson: Romans 11: 33-12:8

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16: 13-20

**SERMON**

"Voices and Visions"

Isaiah 51: 1-6

~ Pastor Dan Welch

**DEACONS**

8:00 AM – Joel Goche / Brian Grochow

10:30 AM – Jason Oelfke / John Lemke

**ACOLYTES**

8:00 AM –

10:30 AM –

**INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

-- Kim Oelfke, Lloyd Duenow, JoAnn Iliff, Clara Witthus, Gary Tabbert, Robert Sellnow, Cindy Johnson, Jace Barthel (child of Jordan & Cathy Barthel)

--Pastor Mathison, for healing.

-- The family and friends of Dorothy Schwarzrock who passed away on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. A committal service is scheduled for Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Blessed are those that die in the Lord!

-- The family and friends of Duane "Dewey" Klaustermeier who passed away on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. Funeral arrangements are pending. Blessed are those that die in the Lord!

-- Mackenzie Wendolek & Jay Neubarth as they were united in marriage on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. We pray God's richest blessings upon their marriage!

-We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance in calling our next Associate Pastor at the Congregational Call Meeting this Wednesday at 7 PM.

**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**SUNDAY 08.27**

Divine Service | 8:00 AM

Fellowship: Day School | 9:00 AM

Bible Study | 9:15 AM

Divine Service w/ Communion | 10:30 AM

*Blessing of the Backpacks*

**MONDAY 08.28**

Quilt Tying | 1:00 PM

**TUESDAY 08.29**

FLS Opening Chapel | 8:30 AM

Common Cup Diaper Distribution

@ City Center | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Staff Meeting | 1:00 PM

*FLS First Day of School*

*FLS Parent Drive Day*

**WEDNESDAY 08.30**

Special Voters Meeting | 7:00 PM

*FLS Parent Drive Day*

**FRIDAY 08.31**

*FLS Parent Drive Day*

**SUNDAY 09.03**

Divine Service w/Communion | 8:00 AM

Fellowship: OPEN | 9:00 AM

Bible Study | 9:15 AM

Divine Service | 10:30 AM

**SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING:** The Pastor Call Committee got approval from Church Council August 17, 2023 to have a Special Voters Meeting **August 30, 2023 at 7:00 PM** for the purpose of calling an Associate Pastor. So, mark your calendars. Agenda packets are available on the entrance stands.

**EXTRA GARDEN PRODUCE:** If you have extra garden produce that you would like to share, bring it to Sunday services and drop it at the table in the main entry. If any is left over, it will be taken to the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

Sunday; 1 Samuel 25:1-22, 1 Corinthians 3:1-23

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Tuesday; 1 Sam. 26:1-25,[1 Sam. 27:1—28:2] 1 Cor. 5:1-13

Wednesday; 1 Sam. 28:3-25,[1 Sam.29:1—30:31] 1 Cor. 6:1-20

Thursday; 1 Sam. 31:1-13, 1 Cor. 7:1-24

Friday; 2 Samuel 1:1-27, 1 Cor. 7:25-40

Saturday; 2 Sam. 5:1-25, 1 Cor. 8:1-13

Sunday; 2 Sam. 6:1-19, 1 Cor. 9:1-23

Every Word of God proves true; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. Prov. 30:5 ESV. May our gracious Lord, through the Holy Spirit, increase our reliance on His Holy Word. Amen.

**Confirmation & Sunday School needs:**

We are in need of a 5th and 6th Grade Public School Confirmation Class teacher on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:45. If you are at all interested please contact Pastor Welch at the church office (864-5522).

If you are interested in being a full-time or part-time Sunday School teacher or a Sunday School helper, please contact Board of Christian Education Member, Amy Welch at 320-510-4583.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.