

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

*Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord—is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."*

### Evangelical Lutheran Worship Setting 3

#### St. John's Lutheran Church

*Mission Statement: Christ our strength and refuge calling us to serve*  
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Prelude: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

– Charles Converse, arr. Fred Bock

Greetings and Announcements

*Stand*

Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C 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 perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

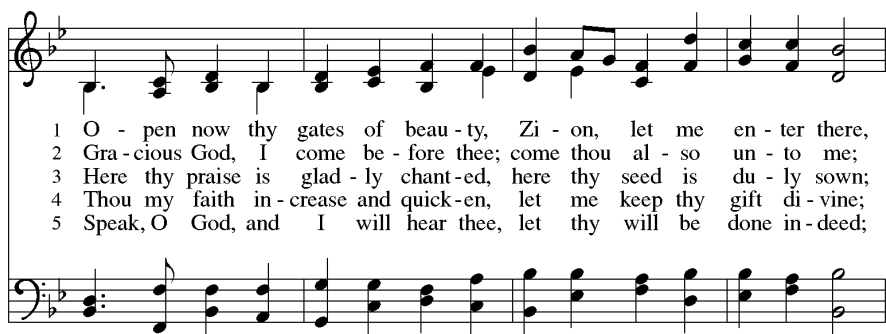
P Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are captive 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.**

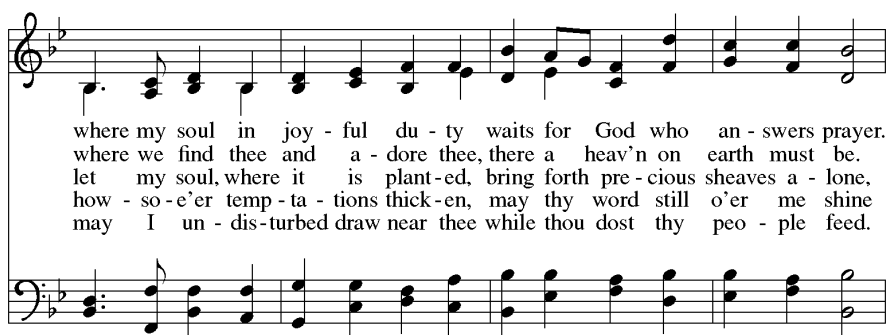
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

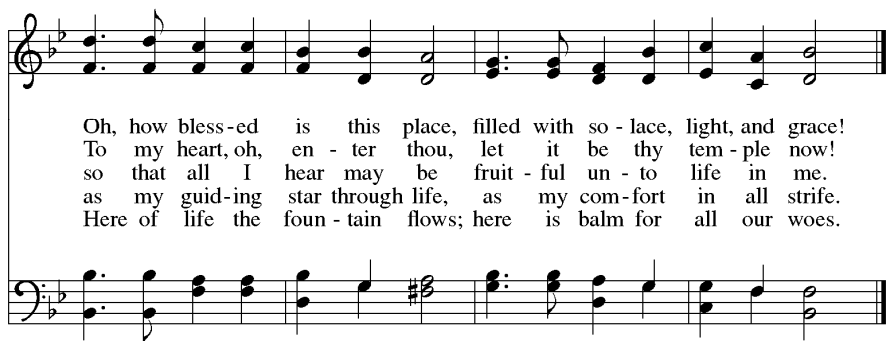
## Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
 3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
 let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thic - ken, may thy word still o'er me shine  
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
 To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
 so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
 as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.  
 Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

## 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.**

## Hymn of Praise



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### Prayer of the Day

☩ Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**c Amen.**

*Sit*

### First Reading: Genesis 18:20–32

*In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.*

Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?" Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city,

I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 138

*Congregation sings the words in bold print.*



I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with <sup>|</sup> my whole heart;  
before the gods I will <sup>|</sup> sing your praise.  
**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your  
name, because of your steadfast <sup>|</sup> love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word  
a- <sup>|</sup> bove all things.**  
When I called, you <sup>|</sup> answered me;  
you increased my <sup>|</sup> strength within me.  
**All the rulers of the earth will praise <sup>|</sup> you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words <sup>|</sup> of your mouth.**  
They will sing of the ways <sup>|</sup> of the LORD,  
that great is the glory <sup>|</sup> of the LORD.  
**6The LORD is high, yet cares <sup>|</sup> for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty <sup>|</sup> from afar.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right | hand shall save me.

**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not  
abandon the works | of your hands.**

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6–19

*Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.*

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not

holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

R The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

c **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 11:1–13

*In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.*

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my

children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

℘ The Gospel of the Lord.

**c Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

Sermon - Hymn Sing

*Silence for reflection*

*Stand*

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## What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?  
 3 Are we weak and heav-y - lad - en, cum-bere'd with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.

Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do your friends de-spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

## Apostles' Creed

**C 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** Gathered together as God's people in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence*

**P** Faithful God, keep your church rooted in Christ. Through your word and sacraments make us instruments of your Spirit to call others to life in Christ. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

**P** Show your undying care to the smallest ones in your creation: to the young of every species who cannot survive on their own, and to seedlings that struggle to become fruit-yielding plants. Nourish them with all they need to thrive.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Guide the leaders of nations by your Spirit of wisdom. Help them avoid the influence of those who seek only their own glory. Empower all leaders to place first the needs of those who have little or nothing. Hear us, O God.

**c Your mercy is great.**

P Hear the persistent cries of those in great need: those facing crisis, those who despair, those with serious illness, and those who face death (*especially . . .*). Respond to them with your unfailing mercy and peace. Hear us, O God.

**c Your mercy is great.**

P Bless the ministries of local communities that serve people facing financial difficulty. Show your favor to organizations that provide food, clothing, shelter, and assistance for other basic necessities to those in need. Hear us, O God.

**c Your mercy is great.**

P Giving thanks for all the saints and martyrs, strengthen us through their example to be faithful disciples. Give us wisdom in discernment and strength in time of trial. Hear us, O God.

**c Your mercy is great.**

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**c Amen.**

### Sharing the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**c And also with you.**

*Congregation members are invited to exchange greetings of "Peace be with you."*

*Sit*

### Offering

P Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. 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**

### Words of Institution

P 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.

### 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**

*Instructions for distribution by Pastor*

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

### Communion Distribution: Kneeling at Communion Railing

*To our guests: Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table.*

People who prefer the shared or common cup are invited to commune first. Approach the altar at the invitation of the pastor. Walk toward the wall to stand at your place at the communion rail. The server will tell you when to kneel. Hold out your cupped hands, palms up, to receive the regular or gluten-free wafer and eat it. The next server will present you with a large cup or chalice of wine. Take it and guide it to your mouth and sip. The server will wipe the cup and offer it to the next person in line.

Those who prefer the individual cup will follow by rows as the ushers invite them to come forward. Approach the altar and turn toward the wall to stand at your place at the communion rail. The server will tell you when to kneel. Hold out your cupped hands, palms up, to receive the regular or gluten-free wafer and eat it. The next server will present you with a tray of small glasses. The dark liquid is wine. The center cups on the communion tray contain white grape juice. Take a cup, drink

the contents and leave the cup in front of you on the communion rail.

You may indicate on the friendship register that you intend to receive communion or on a communion card found in the pew rack. Cards may be left in the offering plate or with an usher.

The pastors would be pleased to serve communion to anyone who prefers to remain seated. Mention your request to a pastor before the service or raise your hand while the pastors are serving others from the aisle.

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

C **Amen**

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

### Sending of Communion

P Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth from this assembly bearing your word and sacrament. Nourish and strengthen all who share in this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son all may know the comfort of your abiding presence.

C **Amen.**

### Blessing

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Lord of Light

1 Lord of light, your name out - shin - ing all the stars and  
 2 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers in some far out -  
 3 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, at your feet may  
 4 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, nev - er si - lent

suns of space, use our tal - ents in your king - dom  
 ly - ing field, by the cour - age where the ra - diance  
 low - ly kneel; with your grace our tri - umphs hal - low,  
 day or night; by the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing

as the ser - vants of your grace; use us to ful -  
 of the cross is still re - vealed, by the vic - to -  
 with your char - i - ty our zeal; lift the na - tions  
 peace to all and heal - ing light; by the love that

fill your pur - pose in the gift of Christ your Son.  
 ries of meek - ness, through re - proach and suf - f'ring won:  
 from the shad - ows to the glad - ness of the sun:  
 pass - es knowl - edge, mak - ing all your chil - dren one:

*Refrain*

Fa - ther, as in high - est heav - en, so on earth your will be done.

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**Postlude: “Lord of Light” – arr. Benjamin M. Culli**

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To the guest in our midst: It is good that we can be together this day. You are welcome. There is fellowship in Christ here that unites us in God’s love. We would like to know you better. Please introduce yourself to a pastor, sign the guest book in the gathering area, and place a completed guest card in the offering plate.

Altar Flowers are given by Bill and Donna Knickmeyer in celebration of Kelly and Juan Ramirez’s 4<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 29. The pulpit flowers are a gift in celebration of Kali and Leah Schroeder’s birthdays.

Fellowship Coffee The fair trade Equal Exchange coffee is sponsored during the fellowship hour today in celebration of Chad Keller’s 12<sup>th</sup> birthday today.

Sponsorship If you would like to sponsor the flowers or the coffee, please inquire in the office for open dates.

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Recently Hospitalized/Discharged:

## Those Who Helped with Our Service Today

Ushers – (8:00) Linda Passehl, Kathi Risley, Rob Risley, Terry Slotty, Nathan Lovell, Alex Fiske (9:30) Diane Reich, Wolfgang Reich, Jon Sandeman, Beth Yanke, Josh Wheeler

Acolytes – (8:00) Anna Meyer, Makayla Sagami (9:30) Kim Helms, Alissa Grauvogl

Cantors – (8:00) Jeff Ochsankehl (9:30) Bill Burton

Readers – (8:00) Mary Flater (9:30) Jerry Exterovich

Greeters – (8:00) Sanctuary Doors, Jim and Janet Klobuchar; Front Doors, Scott and Traci Schutt; Side Doors, Diane and Daryl Hansen (9:30) Sanctuary Doors, Chris and Jennifer Stephen; Front Doors, John and Debbie Delabarre; Side Doors, Aaron and Meta Hartman

Communion Assistants – (8:00) John and Linda Herbst (9:30) Angie Sorg and Audrey Luetscher

Communion Set Up/Clean Up – (8:00) Keith and Linda Hines (9:30) Beth and Cathy Yanke

Coffee Set Up/Serve/Clean Up – Jason Nelson, Josh Wheeler

Nursery Staff – (8:00) Jeremy Sauer, Hannah Schutt (9:30) Morgan Varley, Alyssa Cass

Librarian – Barb Salvesson

Assisting Minister – (8:00) Carl Sirotzki (9:30) Kathi Risley

Organist and Director of Music – Connie Burton

Help Pay the Mortgage We have a visual aid in the gathering area to remind us that we want to raise \$300,000 within a few weeks. We currently have pledges of \$36,385 toward that goal.

Cans Against Cancer We are in the last days of Cans Against Cancer. The aluminum cans should be securely tied in plastic bags and left on the small stones by the west (parking lot) side of the fellowship hall. A volunteer picks them up, turns them in for cash, and donates the money to the Relay for Life efforts.

SERRV Jewelry on Sale All SERRV jewelry in the church office is on sale this month at 25% off. Stop by and make your selections.

Quilters Need sheets and other large pieces of fabric for quilt backs. Please check your closets and bring these items to the Fellowship Hall as soon as possible.

Wrap Christmas Gift Boxes We need volunteers to wrap shoe boxes with Christmas wrapping paper for our Christmas in Haiti Sunday on August 8. Other volunteers will fill them with small gifts and they will be shipped to Thiotte, Haiti. If you have an hour or two in the next week, stop by the church office. We will direct you to the supplies.

Toys for Haiti We have a Christmas tree in the gathering area as a visual reminder of our need for new toys and decorated shoeboxes for the children in Thiotte, Haiti. A list of suggested items is on the next page.

Haiti Craft Projects Be sure to stop in the gathering area to look at the display of new craft projects to benefit the children of Haiti. You may take directions to make dresses out of pillowcases, knit or crochet comfort dolls out of scraps of yarn, or sew rag dolls out of ½ yard of cotton fabric. We will collect these items and send them to Haiti as we have transportation.

### Calendar

Sunday, July 25

Worship Services – 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship – 9:00 a.m.

Ochsankehl Shower – 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 27

SPMH Joint Replacement Luncheon – 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, July 28

Quilters – 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, July 29

Preschool Movie – 9:30 a.m.

Grade School Movie – 1:30 p.m.

Home Health United Hospice Group – 3:00 p.m.

Friday, July 30

Men's Fellowship Breakfast – 6:45 a.m.

Wedding Rehearsal – 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 31

Habitat for Humanity Warehouse Open – 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Johanna Sprecher/Todd Sorg Wedding – 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 1

Worship Services – 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship – 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.

## **Christmas in Summer for Children in Thiotte, Haiti**

St. John's again will partner with our friends at St. Cecilia's in Wisconsin Dells to send gift boxes of items to children in Haiti this summer. Haiti Sunday is August 8. We will use the fellowship time to pack decorated boxes with gifts and enjoy Christmas treats. Please bring your gifts to the decorated Christmas tree in the gathering area.

### **Suggested Gifts**

**Toys:** Small cars, balls, balloons, inflatable toys, punch balls, dolls, stuffed animals, plastic kazoos, recorders, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, small jigsaw puzzles, deck of playing cards (**remember they speak French, so games that rely on the English language should be avoided**), sunglasses, slinky®, jacks, small books in French, picture books, alphabet books, etc.

**Electronic items: (remember to include extra batteries)** small am/fm radios, flashlight, small toys that light up or make noise.

**School supplies:** pens, pencils, colored pencils and sharpener, markers, stamps and ink pad sets, coloring books, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, math flash cards, alphabet flash cards, etc.

**Hygiene items:** toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb, washcloth, etc.

**Other:** ball caps, toy jewelry, hair-clips, watches, etc.

### **Do Not Include:**

X – Used items

X – War related toys (guns, knives, etc.)

X – Chocolate or perishable food

X – Liquids: shampoo, lotion, bubbles

X – Medicines: vitamins, cough drops etc.

X – Breakable items: mirrors, China dolls, snow globes, etc.

### **How to Pack Your Gift Box**

1. Find an empty shoebox. You can wrap it - lid separately.
2. Fill out a label for a girl, boy, or either and an age range.
3. Tape it on the top of your box.
4. Fill the box with a variety of gifts using the list above as a guide.
5. **IMPORTANT: Please enclose a check for \$8.00** or more in an envelope and put it inside your box to help cover shipping costs. Checks should be made payable to: "St. John's - Haiti - Christmas Boxes". Multiple boxes may be paid for with one check (\$8.00 each). Place a rubber band around box/lid and drop off at St. John's.