

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELLS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C   Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

**C   Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN    *LBW 165    "Holy, Holy, Holy"***

## GREETING

Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the promised gifts of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

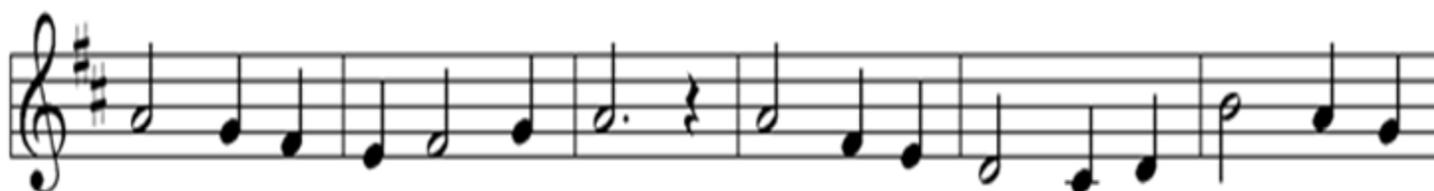
## HYMN OF PRAISE



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



**B** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

## **HOLY BAPTISM OF RHODES CONRAD AXL STORER**

### **PRESENTATION**

P In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

***Sponsors: I present Rhodes Conrad Axl Storer to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.***

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

***Parents: I do.***

P As you support your child in receiving the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

P Do you promise to help *Rhodes* grow in the Christian faith and life?

***Parents: I do.***

P Do you promise to nurture *Rhodes* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

***Sponsors: I do.***

P People of God, do you promise to support *Rhodes* and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

***C We do.***

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH (CREED)**

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

***C I renounce them.***

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

***C I renounce them.***

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

***C I renounce them.***

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C 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 into hell, 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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C 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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word

you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people of Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **BAPTISM**

**P** *Rhodes*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

## **WELCOME**

**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

P Sustain *Rhodes* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C Amen**

## **SIGNING WITH THE CROSS**

P *Rhodes*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

***Sponsors: Amen***

## **GIVING OF THE LIGHT**

A *Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Let us welcome the newly baptized.*

**C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## **FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43**

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 23**

*(Refrain: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.)*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

**C <sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C <sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. *(Refrain)***

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C <sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. *(Refrain)***

*(Refrain: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.)*

## **SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17**

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not

strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

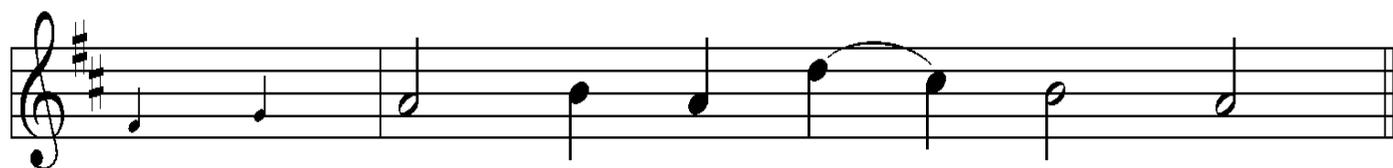


Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



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

### GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

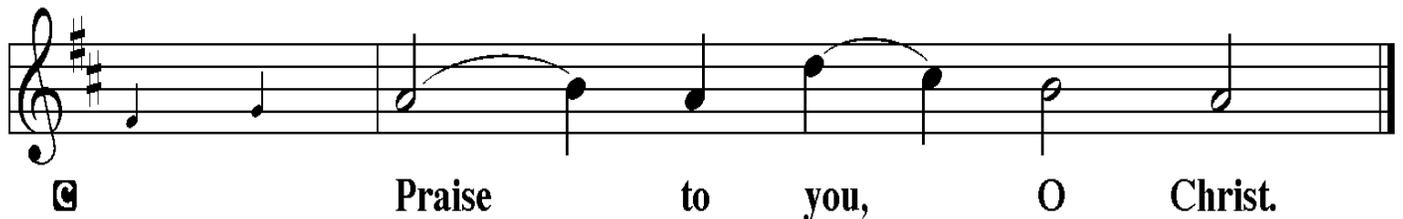


Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews

gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.”

The gospel of the Lord.



## CHILDREN’S SERMON

**SERMON**      *Pastor Timothy Holt*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *LBW 525 “Blessing and Honor”*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Gentle Shepherd, enable your church to respond to the voice of Jesus. Give us unfailing trust, unafraid to join in Jesus' work of renewing all things. God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

Feed your people at the table of creation. Prepare a safe place for those whose environments are dangerous or unhealthy, especially those making difficult journeys. Prosper your creation for the sake of every living thing. God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

Warm the hearts of all who celebrate and all who mourn on Mother's Day. Accompany those yearning to be mothers. Help us to heal from broken family relationships and open us to receive your nurturing love from all who serve mothering roles in our lives. God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

Seek out those who weep while they await healing or consolation. (*We pray especially for K.R. Cave, Kenneth Cave, Jane Harris, Carla Knies Hoffman, Eugene Keller, Luanna Meyer, Sue Neukam, Terry Noble, Kayden Parker, Andrea Rose, Glen Schmitt, Leroy Seitz, Dana Senninger, Eli and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.*) Set people in their path who can provide the care they need, and wipe away every tear from their eyes. God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. (*We pray especially for Luke Himsel, Joshua Hoffman and Nathan Humbert.*) God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

Enfold us in the great multitude of saints from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages. Wash us in your saving grace every day, guiding us to your waters of life. God, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION**

*All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the nearby tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.*

## **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

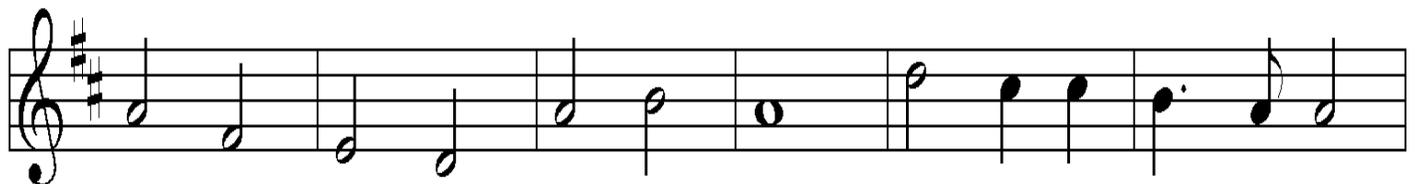
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

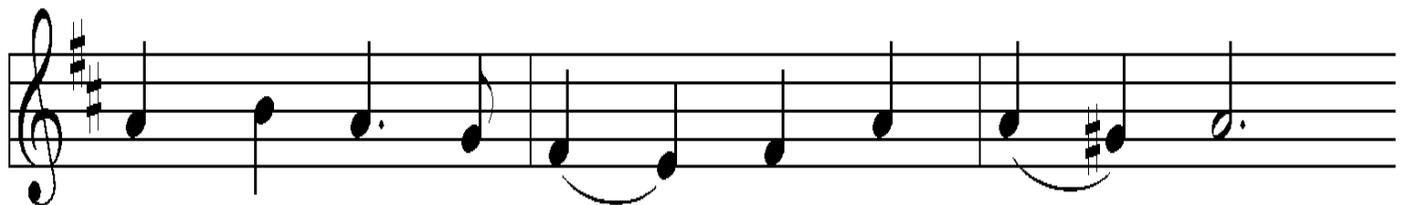
## PREFACE

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 ever-living God, but chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim, and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

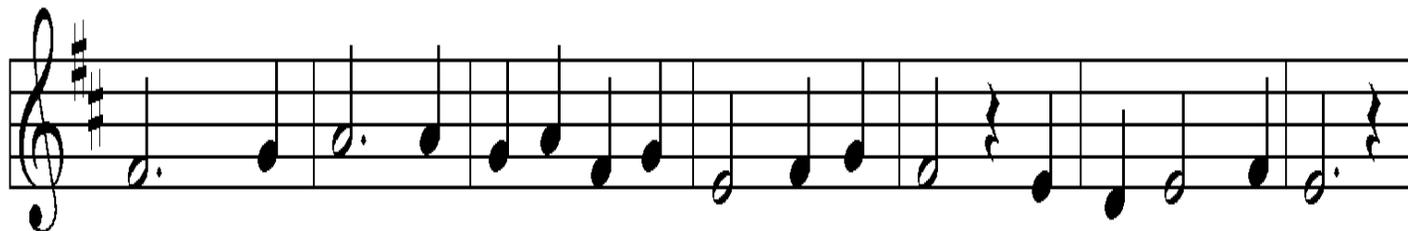
**C** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## COMMUNION

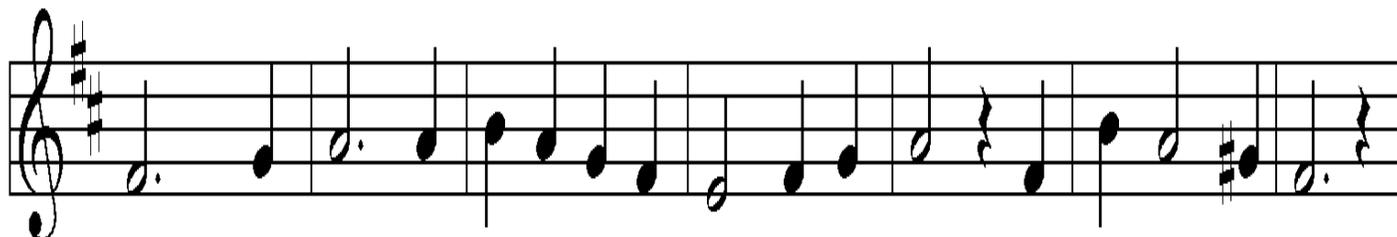
The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD



**C** 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, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

WOV 711 *“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”*

LBW 296 *“Just As I Am, without One Plea”*

WOV 748 *“Bind Us Together”*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

**C** We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

## BLESSING

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**

*LBW 501*

*“He leadeth Me:  
Oh, Blessed Thought!”*

**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**Mission Statement:** *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,  
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:**

**Greeters:** John & Martha Church  
**Comm. Asst:** Beth Buchta  
**Video:** Jeff Schmitt  
**Organist:** Barbara Dell  
**Lay Reader:** Donna Rasche/Brandie Beck  
**Audio:** Bryan Buchta  
**Acolyte:** Lillian Potts  
**Altar Guild:** Mary Bauer & Mary Sendelweck

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 131 SS: 17**

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF  
May 8<sup>th</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

Sun. May 8 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service-Mother's Day <i>(Rhodes Storer Baptism)</i>
Sun. May 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
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## **ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***Today we rejoice in the baptism of Rhodes Conrad Axl Storer. Rhodes is the son of Johnathen and Mariah Storer. He was born on March 30, 2022. He was welcomed home by big sister RaeLynn and big brother River. Rhodes is the grandson of Sandy Schnaus and Buddy Hart. His sponsors are Kaitlyn Bauer and Jordan Bauer.***

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### **MOTHER'S DAY PHOTOS**

The Evangelism committee will again be setting up a photo area to have pictures taken on Mother's Day. Pictures can be taken before and after the morning worship service (starting at 8:00 AM). Easter morning's photo shoot was a great success and we are looking forward to seeing everyone on Mother's Day!

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Jenny Begle's church office hours will be Tuesday and Thursday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, through the summer. The office will be closed on Friday. Jen's schedule will revert back to three days a week this fall.

# My Mother's Bible

*This book is all that's left me now,  
Tears will unbidden start—  
With faltering lip and throbbing brow  
I press it to my heart.  
For many generations past,  
Here is our family tree;  
My mother's hand this Bible clasped;  
She, dying, gave it me.*

*Ah! well do I remember those  
Whose names these records bear,  
Who 'round the hearthstone used to close  
After the evening prayer,  
And speak of what these pages said,  
In tones my heart would thrill!  
Though they are with the silent dead  
Here are they living still!*

*My father read this holy book  
To brothers, sisters, dear;  
How calm was my poor mother's look,  
Who loved God's word to hear  
Her angel face—I see it yet!  
What thronging memories come—  
Again that little group is met  
Within the halls of home!*

*Thou truest friend man ever knew,  
Thy constancy I've tried;  
Where all were false, I found thee true,  
My counselor and guide.  
The mines of earth no treasure give  
That could this volume buy;  
In teaching me the way to live,  
It taught me how to die.*

*—by George P. Morris (1802–1864)*

Thank you to Mary Lou Potts for submitting the Mother's Day prayer printed on the cards as well as the poem in the announcements.

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## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 2022



Please Join Us for the NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Where: Northeast Dubois Jr./Sr. High School Gym

When: Thursday, May 5, 2022

Doors open at 6:45 am, program starts at 7:00am

All students, staff, and public are welcome!

Donuts, Milk, and Juice will follow!

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**In Service to Our Country**

AM-1 Luke Himsel

Joshua Hoffman

Maj. Nathan Humbert

Virginia Beach, VA

Washington (*State*)

West Point, NY