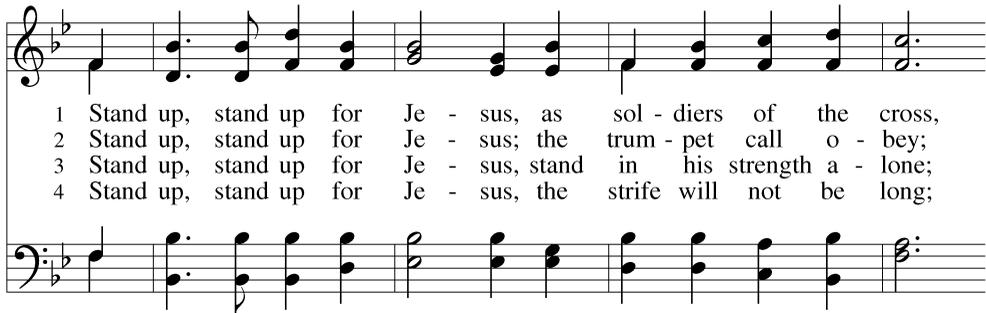


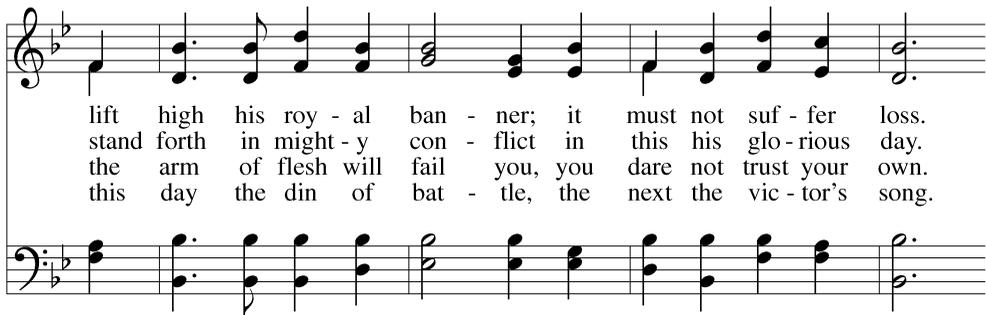
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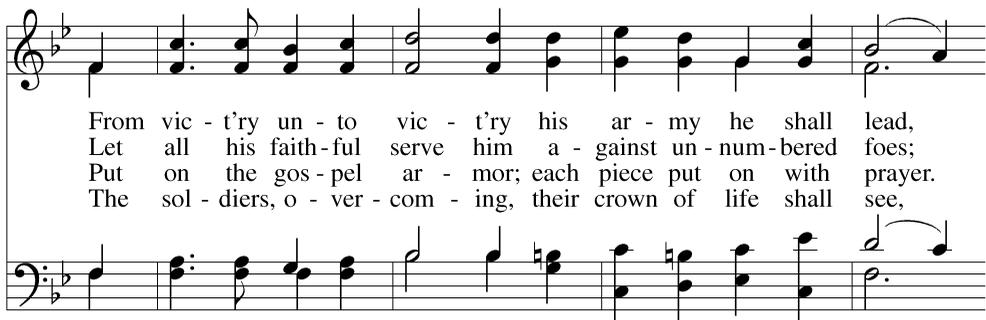
"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"



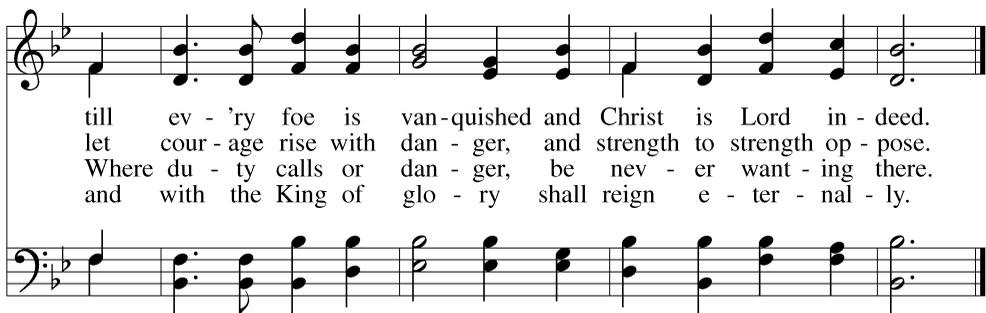
1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, as sol - diers of the cross,
2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; the trum - pet call o - bey;
3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, stand in his strength a - lone;
4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the strife will not be long;



lift high his roy - al ban - ner; it must not suf - fer loss.
stand forth in might - y con - flict in this his glo - rious day.
the arm of flesh will fail you, you dare not trust your own.
this day the din of bat - tle, the next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry his ar - my he shall lead,
Let all his faith - ful serve him a - gainst un - num - bered foes;
Put on the gos - pel ar - mor; each piece put on with prayer.
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, their crown of life shall see,



till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished and Christ is Lord in - deed.
let cour - age rise with dan - ger, and strength to strength op - pose.
Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, be nev - er want - ing there.
and with the King of glo - ry shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

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Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship today, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of the Christ in the blessed sacrament and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader

Bold text is spoken by the congregation

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Bell & Announcements

***Opening Hymn**

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

***Confession and Forgiveness**

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

Amen

In this place where your glory dwells, O God, your free redeeming word is spoken.

Open our hearts to this word and make us mindful of your commandments so that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

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

Silence for personal reflection

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.

We have often thought better of ourselves than others. We have said hurtful things and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; everything has become new! *(2 Corinthians 5:17)* In Christ, you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. *(Ephesians 4:32)*

Amen

***Greeting and Prayer of the Day**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Second Reading

Philemon 1:1–21

¹This letter is from Paul, a prisoner for preaching the Good News about Christ Jesus, and from our brother Timothy.

I am writing to Philemon, our beloved co-worker, ²and to our sister Apphia, and to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church that meets in your house.

³May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.

⁴I always thank my God when I pray for you, Philemon, ⁵because I keep hearing about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all of God's people. ⁶And I am praying that you will put into action the generosity that comes from your faith as you understand and experience all the good things we have in Christ. ⁷Your love has given me much joy and comfort, my brother, for your kindness has often refreshed the hearts of God's people.

⁸That is why I am boldly asking a favor of you. I could demand it in the name of Christ because it is the right thing for you to do. ⁹But because of our love, I prefer simply to ask

*Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-33

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

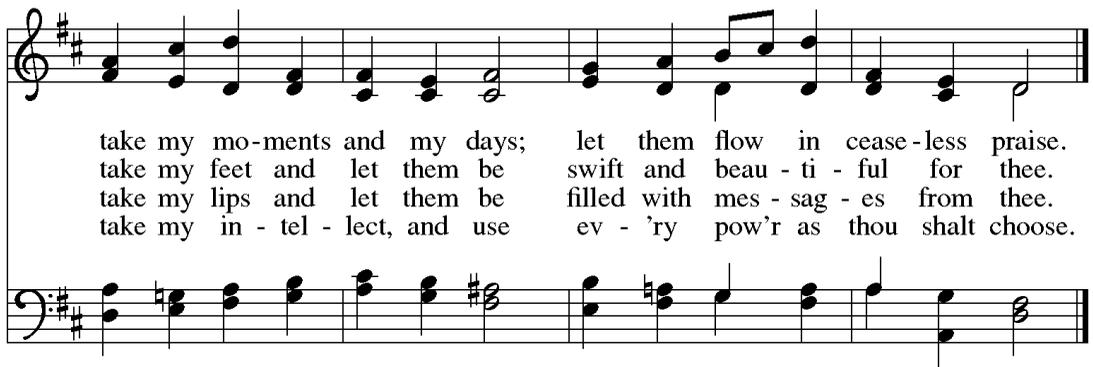
“Was It Worth It?”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of the Day

“Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated”

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo-ments and my days; let them flow in cease-less praise.
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau-ti-ful for thee.
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes-sag-es from thee.
 take my in-tel-lect, and use ev-'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself, and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee.

***Profession of Faith – Apostles’ Creed**

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 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.

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 the Church**

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(We greet one another with the words “Peace be with you”)

Hymn

“Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone”



1 Must Je - sus bear the cross a - lone and all the world go free?
2 The con - se - crat - ed cross I'll bear till death shall set me free;
3 Up - on the crys - tal pave - ment, down at Je - sus' pierc - ed feet,
4 Oh, pre - cious cross! Oh, glo - rious crown! Oh, res - ur - rec - tion day!



No, there's a cross for ev - 'ry - one, and there's a cross for me.
and then go home my crown to wear, for there's a crown for me.
joy - ful, I'll cast my gold - en crown and his dear name re - peat.
Ye an - gels, from the stars come down and bear my soul a - way.



WE SHARE IN THE MEAL

* THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, the Resurrection and the Life, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to us all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

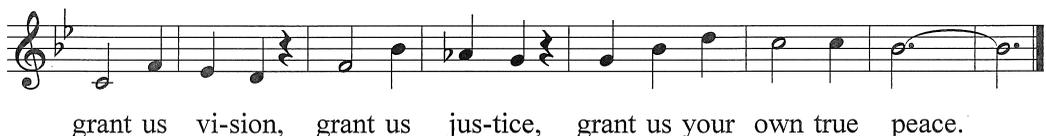
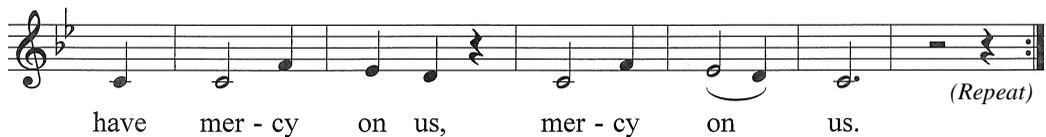
Amen.

*The Lord's Prayer

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.

Distribution of Communion

"Lamb of God"



WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

***Blessing**

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

Amen

***Prayer**

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

Amen

*** Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

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

Amen

***Closing Hymn**

“Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”

1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff for the melody and a bass clef staff for the accompaniment. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with four verses. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment using chords and single notes.

free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
 help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
 till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain

In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;

till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

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Worship Services: 9:00 am each Sunday

6:00 pm each Wednesday, Informal Service

-9:00 Sunday live broadcast on Facebook and YouTube

We welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. - Romans 15:7 ESV

We Welcome All to St. Martin's Lutheran Church this Sunday as you join us in person and online to worship our Savior, Jesus Christ.

St. Martin's Worship Servants . . .

Ministers of Worship -Everyone Present both near and far

Acolyte -Kennedy Bailey

Organist/Pianist -Deacon Steve Basselman

Lector -Jo Ann Liechty

Usher Team -Mark Weaver

Altar Guild -Gwen Grisier, Cristie Sevey

Sound System -Bill Phelps

Offering Counters -Jo Ann Liechty, Stan Schmidt

Worship includes the celebration of Communion today. We will be distributing communion **at the Altar Rail . . .** Come forward at the invitation of the ushers to the altar rail, where you may either kneel or stand. The dark glasses contain wine. The light center ring contains grape juice. After a blessing for each group, please place your empty wine glass in the basket as you return to your seat by the side aisle.

This Week at St. Martin's

Today – September 4

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion

Monday – September 5 – Labor Day

Offices Closed

Tuesday – September 6

Men's Breakfast Bible Study, 6:45, at McDonald's, Archbold

Parkinson's Group, 1:00

Community Meal, 5:00, at St. John's Christian

Wednesday – September 7

Mary Martha Circle, 1:00, Chapter 6, Unshakable Hope, Max Lucado

Welcome Place Wednesday Meal, 5:15 pm

Welcome Place Wednesday Worship, 6:00 pm

Thursday – September 8

Women's Breakfast Bible Study, 7:00, at Home Restaurant

Bulletin Deadline, 9:00 am

Next Sunday – September 11

Worship, 9:00 am, Outdoor Worship

Brunch, 10:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Packing Kits following Brunch

“God's Works, Our Hands” Maumee Valley Conference Fall Retreat, September 17 . . .Deadline for \$15.00 registration was September 3 (send in yours today). Registration includes lunch. We will be having a Bible Study, packing Personal Care Kits, collecting T-shirts, underwear, socks for children/women/met for all sizes (no restrictions on logos or colors) Stop in the Church Office for a list of needed items and registration. If you would like to donate clothing, bring them in after Rally Day or give to Brenda in the Office.

Last Week at St. Martin's . . .

Receipts Week of 8/28/2022 Budget and Year to Date

| | | | |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Operating Contributions | \$2,655.00 | Budgeted Weekly Operating Need | \$6,230.00 |
| Benevolence Received | \$434.00 | Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need | \$570.00 |
| Other Designated Income | \$1,075.00 | As of 7/31/2022 | |
| Total Income | \$4,164.00 | YTD Operating Received | \$151,765.78 |
| Attendance: Sun/Wed/Total | 73/15/88 | YTD Operating Expenses | (\$103,433.64) |
| | | Net Income/(Deficit) | \$48,332.14 |

Lutheran World Relief Kits

Goal for 300 School Kits, has been reached!

Goal for 75 Personal Care

We need . . .

50 – Light to medium-weight, bath-size towel (52" X 27" or smaller), dark color

37 – 2-Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, original wrapping

38 – Adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging

44 – Sturdy comb, remove packaging

10 – Metal nail clippers (with or without file), remove packaging

Goal for 75 Baby Care Kits

We need . . .

75 – Hand towel, dark color recommended

150 – Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping

If you have items for the kits, bring them anyway and we can make more kits or store the items until next year. We have until October 1 to pack all kits.

St. Martin's Prayer Line

For our prayers in worship this morning and our daily devotions in the coming week, we remember:
All Believers as we look for the coming Messiah, may we be ready to see the Son of Man coming
in a cloud with power and great glory
All in Need both body & soul that we might know the joy we have in the presence of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and King
Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, Synod Staff members and all the office staff, that they may be
supported in their ministry to the Church
The Bethel Parish of Dodoma, St. Martin's Companion Congregation, may they continue to carry
out God's ministry and mission in Tanzania
Mission Partner Congregation of Redeemer Lutheran, Toledo may they continue to carry out
God's ministry and mission in the Toledo Area
St. Martin's congregation and all involved in the process of calling St. Martin's Youth Leader
Family & Friends of Tom Wagener, father of Mark Wagner who went to his heavenly home this
past week, may we know the comforting presence of our Lord Jesus Christ
People of Ukraine during this time of unrest, may they know the presence of our Lord Jesus
All First Responders, Hospital Staff, Caregivers and all who have lost family members & friends to
covid may we know the ever-present grace of God
For those who need healing, may they know the healing hand of God
Jeff Cook, Ann Ott's son
Jan Delaney
Steven DeNault, June Hayes' friend
Jerry Geiger
Sharon Heckel
Steve & Sue Hurst, Health Concerns
Amy Johns
Shelly Kammeyer, daughter in law of Sharon, Leukemia
Amanda Karduck, friend of Sara Adams & Jan Delaney
Michael, Pastor & Linda Koch, friends of Melanie & Dick Nagel
Doris Koerner, Peg Bjorlin's mother, health concerns
Bonnie R. Lauber
Heather Nehls Witten, daughter of Marie Nehls & Tarry Nehls, cancer
Janice Siegel, Dustin Bailey's mother, cancer
Al Siewert
Jonathan Siewert
Don Spohler
Joe Wyse
Kelsy Wyse
Homebound – Louise Wyse, Steward Wyse
For those who need God's protection and the assurance that he is near
All St. Martin's Members as they prepare for Ministry
Our College students both close to home and far away
All members, family & friends who serve in our military, Steve & Sara (Delaney) Adams,
Patrick Cirenza (June Hayes), Bradly & Victoria Nilsson, Kennedy Hartung, Ashtyn
Frederick, Christopher Goertz, Brendon Johns, Kasyn Schaffner, Spencer Short
①① Prayer requests for the people of St. Martin's ①①
(Note, we include a person's name with permission.)

Rally Day, Next Sunday, September 11 . . .

Outdoor Worship at 9:00am - Bring a Lawn Chair!
We will worship on the lawn to the west of the parking lot.
Brunch following Worship,
approx. 10:00am
Packing LWR Kits—following Brunch



Bible Sunday + 1st Day of Sunday School, September 18

Sunday School Picnic



Worship at 9:00am
Sunday School for all ages
10:15—11:00am
Activities for all ages
at 11:00am
Sunday School Picnic Lunch
at 11:30am

