

Ezekiel 33:7-9

⁷So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from My mouth, you shall give them warning from Me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

Romans 13:1-10

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed. ⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Matthew 18:1-20

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to Him a child, He put him in the

midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵"Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. ¹⁰"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of My Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. ¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them."

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 10, 2017



*Joy Lutheran is here to welcome all people,
celebrate Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior,
nourish spiritual growth for all and
serve human needs in every way.*

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Traditional Service 8 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Joy Lutheran Church. If you are visiting us today, please sign our lobby guest book and fill out a white Connection Card in the pew. If you have a prayer request, please use a yellow prayer card in the pew and hand it to an usher.

Communion Joy Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion at each regular worship service. This is a special meal that celebrates our unity of faith in Jesus who is our Lord and Savior. In this meal, Jesus gives us His body and blood, in, with and under the bread and the wine to forgive our sins and to strengthen our faith. Confessing this oneness of faith, we invite you to share in this special meal.

Children in Worship We encourage children to participate in worship services. We have children's bulletins and activity bags available for small children.



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PASTOR DANIEL will be at the Minnesota North District Pastors' Conference at Lutheran Island Camp tomorrow and Tuesday.

THANK YOU! to everyone for the get well cards and good wishes. *Harriett Groth*

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING Tomorrow, 7 p.m.

WOMEN OF JOY MEETING This Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.

ELDERS MEETING This Tuesday, 7 p.m.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING This Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

YOU ARE INVITED to celebrate Laurel Sonnabend's 80th birthday on **Saturday, Sept. 23**, from 2—4 p.m. in the church basement. No gifts, please. Your presence is your gift!

USHER AND READER SCHEDULES for October—December will be mailed next week. Please let Denice know if you would like to be added to either schedule. **Thank you!**

OFFERING COUNTER SCHEDULES will be emailed next week unless you let Denice know you would like a paper copy. **Thank you!**

HOME DELIVERED MEALS VOLUNTEERS needed next week—Sept. 18, 19, 20 & 22. To volunteer, please contact Marlys Moline, 763-689-3884.

HALF-PINT and pint jars are needed for the Harvest Festival. They are used for jellies and jams sold at the Festival. **The HALF-PINT size is the most popular.** If you have any to donate, please leave them in the kitchen labelled "For Harvest Festival". **Thank you!**

OLD MAGAZINES NEEDED Any appropriate magazines—sports, hunting/fishing, farming, travel, ladies', etc. Sarah and Vicki Larson use them at the nursing home. They cut pictures out of them for the residents to make collages. The residents in memory care especially enjoy it, and it gets them talking and remembering things. There is a box labeled "Magazines for Larsons" in the narthex. Thank you!

"LUTHER" DOCU-DRAMA ON PBS THIS TUESDAY, September 12 at 7 p.m. "Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World," is set to air nationally on PBS on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 7 p.m. Central time. Funded by Thrivent, the film dramatizes the events that shaped Luther and examines the questions he wrestled with, such as "Who am I?", "What is my purpose?" and "How do I get right with God?" Included are insights and commentary from LCMS theologians and historians.

FREE COMPUTER CLASSES in the church basement with Dave Larson
"Introduction to Computers" Thursday, September 21 10 a.m.—1 p.m.
"Introduction to Windows" (All versions) Thursday, Sept. 28 10 a.m.—1 p.m.
Please pre-register for these classes. Information is posted in the narthex.

SEPTEMBER 10—SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Today	Traditional Service	8 AM
	Fellowship between services	
	Sunday School & Bible Class	9:15 AM
Monday	Contemporary Service	10:30 AM
	Planning Committee Meeting	7 PM
Tuesday	<i>Women of Joy Meeting</i>	9:30 AM
	Volunteers at Shalom	12:30—4 PM
	Elders Meeting	7 PM
Wednesday	Choir	7 PM
	Praise Band	8 PM
	Leadership Team Meeting	7:30 PM
Friday	Garage Sale	8 AM—5 PM
	Garage Sale & Bake Sale	8 AM—5 PM
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	8 AM
Sunday, Sept. 17	Traditional Service	8 AM
	Fellowship between services	
	Sunday School & Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Contemporary Service	10:30 AM

Saturday, Sept. 23 Laurel Sonnabend's Birthday Open House 2—4 PM

Refreshments:
Next Sunday, September 17:

Assisting in Worship

Service	Reader	Sound/PowerPoint	Ushers
Today 8 a.m.	Pat Jaeger	Ministry opportunity	Gordon Cell and Jim Beecroft
Today 10:30 a.m.	Mark Krueger	Ministry opportunity	Lonny Olson
<i>Next Sunday 8 a.m. September 17</i>	<i>Laurie Hoheisel</i>	Ministry opportunity	<i>Joan Burke and Konnie O'Neil</i>
<i>Next Sunday 10:30 a.m. September 17</i>	<i>Irene Bjorklund</i>	Ministry opportunity	<i>Mike Spanier</i>

TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT: Marlys Moline, 763-689-3884.
If Marlys is unavailable, please call the church office—763-689-4355.

In our prayers we remember: Diane Althoff; Harriett Groth; Al Fluegel; Jack Peterson; Carol Sabin; Elaine Kriesel

Keep these military personnel and their families in your prayers: Eric Bjorklund; Pat & Tricia Cassidy; Kent & Jen Reichle