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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL who are worshipping with us today! We hope that the service will be a joy and blessing to you.



Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All who believe that Christ is present in this Sacrament are invited to share in His supper. The inner glasses are grape juice. Children who have not received Communion instruction should stand at the altar with their arms crossed upon their chest to receive a Baptismal blessing.

LBW - Green Hymnal **WOV** – Blue Hymnal *Please stand as able.

Prelude

Order of Service

Welcome and the Announcements

*Brief Order for Public Confession P. 56

*Opening Hymn: "Our Father, by Whose Name" **LBW 357**

*Apostolic Greeting and Kyrie P. 57

*This Is the Feast P. 60

*Prayer of the Day

Children's Sermon

First Reading Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹Now out of the ground the Lord God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of

Man.” ²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Psalm 128 (responsively by whole verse)

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Second Reading

Hebrews 2:14-18

¹⁴Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

*The Alleluia

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*Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

²Pharisees came up and in order to test {Jesus} asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away.” ⁵And Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.” ¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” ¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive

the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Sermon: “WHAT GOD HAS JOINED TOGETHER”

*Hymn of the Day: “O Perfect Love”

LBW 287

*Nicene Creed

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*Prayers of the Church

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Faithful God, guide your church in the ways of your kingdom. Renew our faithfulness and deepen our trust in you so we may lay aside selfish and prideful divisions. Strengthen our witness in order that the world may see in us a reflection of your unity in Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

God of grace and beauty, as autumn trees and forests break forth into colorful praise showing your glory, we pray you would accept our praise. In the wonder of your care, we pray our lives may proclaim the majesty of your undying love for us, revealed in him who is our Lord and Savior.

Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Lord of Lords and King of Kings, all rulers, powers, and nations are subject to you. Grant the leaders of nations to govern all your people with wisdom, justice, and equity for the good of all.

Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

O God, our joys and sorrows are fully known to you. You are with us in our pain and sorrow and in our times of grace-filled joy. Bring healing to those who are suffering from physical illness or injury, hurting from the pain of broken relationships, the mourning of shattered hopes, and any other kind of loss. [We pray particularly for]

Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Operation Christmas Child – Tracy Heck

*Sharing of Peace

Offering

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vv. 1,2 & 4	<u>WOV 721</u>
*Pastor: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!	
* Congregation: Thanks Be to God!	
* Postlude	

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Offering Counters: Angie Springborn & Ashley Boyer

Last Sunday,9/26: 37

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!!!

Wayne Scholle Jr. 10/2

Joanne Sanderson 10/2

Dawn Myelle-Watson 10/3

Trudy Loomis 10/6

Tom Hoffman 10/6

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS!!!

Andy & Izabelle Rasmussen

10/3/2009



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER FOR BEN AND AMY
BLOBAUM!**

The shower will take place on Sunday, October 17th immediately following church in the fellowship hall. A light brunch will be served. Men and women are invited! Please RSVP to Ashley Boyer (815) 739-4958 for planning purposes. Help us welcome Baby Blobaum!

Amy and Ben are registered at Target and Walmart.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please fill a box or two for a child. You may select the age of the child that you would like to buy for. There is a brochure inside each box with suggestions and instructions. Please return your filled box no later than Sunday, November 14.



CRAFT NIGHTS FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 21st at 6:00 – 8:00pm. We will be making t-shirt jump ropes for the Operation Christmas child (OCC) shoeboxes. If you can, bring 5-10 adult old t-shirts. You may not need them all, or maybe another person may need one to make a longer jump rope. They can be stained or even with a few holes. We will be cutting them in strips.

If you don't have 5-10 t-shirts, please come to help cut the t-shirts or braid the ropes.

If you have a good sharp pair of sheers for fabric, or a rotary wheel & mat, bring them with you.

There will be more craft nights in the future, each time making a different craft to place in the OCC boxes for next year. The future times & dates will be in the newsletter and will be about an hour for each project.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21st from 6-8pm, bring 5- 10 t-shirts, and scissors.

Today 10/3: Join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee after the service!

Tuesday 10/5: Food Pantry Set-up, 9:30am; Distribution, 12-2 pm.

Thursday 10/7: Food Truck Delivery, Confirmation, 5:30pm

Saturday 10/9: Worship Service, 5:30pm.

Sunday 10/10: Worship Service with Sunday School to follow, 9am.

PARISH CONCERNS:

- Jo Boehmer's family; Marita Ritzert, died on Thursday.
Jackie Conner is healing from a compression fracture.
- Trudy Loomis broke her hip, had surgery and is now at Pine Acres, 1212 S 2nd St, DeKalb, IL 60115. She has been busy with rehab.
- Walter Mercado, son of Michelle (Wittwer) and Mike Mercado was born at 29 weeks and weighed 2.75 lbs. Michelle is Tim & Dianna Wittwer's niece.
- Chuck Huey's sister, Harriet has kidney failure.
- Justin Mielke will be seeing a cardiologist soon.
- Pray for pregnant women and the babies they are carrying, especially Amy Blobaum.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound: Ina Koehler, Nancy Bakanas and George Vodden.
- Persecuted Christians and other Afghanis suffering violence of the Taliban.
- Pray for our church as we patiently wait for God to send us the right Pastor.
- Our church and its activities, and all Christian churches.
- All elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear and receive God's guidance and protection.
- The NALC, NALS, the Great Rivers Mission District, all Christian churches, and our partners in SC and PA.